

## Application Form

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### Profile

Sean

First Name

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Middle  
Initial

Mcmillan

Last Name

20370 Symphony Place

Home Address

Venice

City

FL

State

34293

Postal Code

sean.b.mcmillan@gmail.com

Email Address

Home: (678) 491-7328

Primary Phone

Home: (678) 491-7328

Alternate Phone

### Please list three references (name only)

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Niki Vanderslice Rob Gordon Greg King

**Except as otherwise provided, all board members must reside in the city as least six months prior to appointment. Residency must be maintained throughout the term of office. Failure to maintain consistent residency within the city will result in automatic termination of the board appointment. One nonresident may serve as a voting member on each board, provided that the person has owned real property in the city for at least one year prior to the date of appointment. Ownership must be maintained throughout the term of office and will be determined by reviewing the Sarasota County Property Appraiser's records. Youth members must be at least 14 years-old and in high school. Board members may serve on only one board, with the exception of ad hoc, task force, or special committees appointed by the city commission.**

Yes  No

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### Interests & Experiences

#### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

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Community Economic Development Advisory Board: Submitted

**Are you currently serving on any other City Board/Committee? Board members may serve on only one board, with the exception of ad hoc, task force, or special committees appointed by the city commission.**

Yes  No

**Were you ever removed from a City Board/Committee due to lack of attendance?**

Yes  No

**Do you have any relatives currently serving on a City Board/Committee or relatives that are currently serving on the same City Board/Committee for which you are applying? Relatives as defined in F.S. Chapter 112.3135; grandparents; and grandchildren may not (i) concurrently serve on the same board; or (III) concurrently serve on the city commission and a board that hears quasi-judicial items.**

Yes  No

**Educational Background:**

Georgia State University, Executive MBA Auburn University, BS/BA Finance

**Are you retired?**

Yes  No

[SeanMcMillan\\_Resume\\_2024.docx](#)

Upload a Resume

**Please list any Civic organizations to which you belong.**

None currently. However, please see resume for prior volunteer boards of directors and advisory roles

**Why do you desire to serve on the above Board/Committee? Please list any relative experience, if applicable.**

Desire the opportunity to give back to my new community. Progressive roles in economic development leadership and senior project manager roles at the state and regional economic development levels. Feel strongly about my ability to contribute positively to the efforts of the North Port Economic Development team. I live in the community full-time.

Question applies to Community Economic Development Advisory Board

**Please indicate for which position you are applying. \***

- North Port Resident
- Development, engineering, or planning

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**Demographics**

**Ethnicity \***

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Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

**Gender \***

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Male

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**Acknowledgements**

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**I agree that if appointed, I will serve on the above board without compensation and at the pleasure of the City Commission.**

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I Agree

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**I agree to abide by the Sunshine and Public Records Laws and attend all mandatory training sessions.**

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I Agree

**Please indicate if any information provided on this application is exempt under Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07.**

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Venice, Florida 34293  
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Email: [sean.b.mcmillan@gmail.com](mailto:sean.b.mcmillan@gmail.com)

## **EXPERIENCE**

**7/2013 – 1/2021 THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA (UGA)  
Director, Office of Economic Development**

*Serve as a top advisor to university leadership on economic development matters. Represent UGA with the Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDECD) and its key partners for business recruitment efforts – marketing the strengths of UGA's talent and research pipeline across the state to potential companies looking to locate or expand operations in Georgia.*

- Established a new office on behalf of the UGA in Midtown Atlanta co-located within the Georgia Department of Economic Development.
- Partnered with state and local economic developers and Georgia research university counterparts on corporate headquarters, information technology, life sciences and large manufacturing industry recruitment projects. List of locations available on request.
- Developed pathway for companies to establish relationships on UGA's main campus for brand awareness and student recruitment, capstone design courses and faculty relationships.
- Assisted in securing grant awards and contracts totaling over \$5,500,000

**3/2008 – 7/2013 GEORGIA QUICK START (Unit of Georgia's Technical College System)  
(Georgia's nationally recognized workforce-training program)  
Director, Regional and Kia Motors Manufacturing Project Operations**

*Provide leadership for Quick Start's project team serving new and expanding industries in a 57-county region including 10 Technical Colleges in Western and Southern Georgia.*

- Motivated and led a team of 13 full-time, 105 part-time, and 12 contractors that created and delivered customized pre-employment and post-employment workforce training.
- Built relationships with client company officials, local, regional, and statewide economic developers, and technical college vice-presidents.
- Operated three training facilities in LaGrange, Columbus, and the Kia Training Center in West Point, Georgia.
- Established a training facility on West Georgia Technical College's LaGrange campus. Collaborated with campus leadership on repairs and renovations to two buildings totaling 46,000 square feet.
- Led outreach with Kia parts suppliers. Oversaw development of training plans, charted project timelines, managed budget and procurement needs and recruited full-time, contracted, and part-time talent. Meanwhile, led all other training projects for the region with existing staff.
- Results from the non-Kia training center team between 2009-2013 exceeded those of the previous eight years in every measurable category. All accomplished with an 18% reduction in full-time headcount.

4/2006 – 3/2008      **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
*(Georgia's lead agency for state economic development and marketing efforts)*  
**Director, New Business Recruitment**

*Provide leadership for the State's business recruitment efforts targeting new business opportunities in strategic industries.*

- Led and supported a team of 18 professionals with statewide responsibility for job and investment recruitment targets.
- The team recruited and served companies that announced 71 projects with 7,926 new jobs and \$2.8 Billion in new investment.
- One of four agency team members involved in the state's effort to recruit and assist Kia Motors in selecting Georgia for their \$1.2 Billion automotive assembly factory.
- Co-led efforts to partner with Georgia communities to recruit Kia Tier-one suppliers.
- Assisted the CEO in leading a competitive analysis of Georgia's financial incentive programs with an outside consulting firm.

3/2005 – 4/2006      **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
*(Georgia's lead agency for state economic development and marketing efforts)*  
**Director, Existing Industry and Recruitment**

*Provide leadership for business development efforts targeting existing Georgia service, logistics and manufacturing operations. Assist prospective companies with facility expansions in cooperation with local, state and private sector officials.*

- Led and supported a team of nine professionals with regional responsibility for industry recruitment, retention and expansion projects.
- Results were 125 projects announced creating 12,903 jobs and \$2.29 Billion in new capital investment.

8/2000 – 3/2005      **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
*(Georgia's lead agency for state economic development and marketing efforts)*  
**Senior Project Manager**

*Provide professional facility location assistance to domestic and international companies considering Georgia as a business destination. Identify and pursue prospective companies with expansion and or relocation potential. Use familiarity with Georgia communities, relationships with state and local government contacts, professional experience and business acumen to persuade corporate executives to invest in Georgia.*

- Recruited companies that announced 4,344 new jobs and \$467 Million in new capital investment.

6/1992 – 8/2000      **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
**Assistant Director of Administration/Budget Director**

*Drove activities and systems used in budget development, implementation and analysis and period reporting. Entirely responsible for annual department funding requests, including relationship management and presentations to senior managers, board members and state legislators.*

- Managed a \$27 Million department budget, information technology, creative services departments and 10 employees. Developed capital budget requests and managed agency construction projects. Managed a \$12 Million annual payroll for 200 full-time and 50 part-time employees.
- Initiated the practice of currency hedging to limit foreign exchange losses for three overseas offices.
- Led an internal ERP conversion for financial and purchasing system processes.

## **EDUCATION**

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
**Master of Business Administration**  
**Executive MBA Program**

AUBURN UNIVERSITY  
**Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Finance**

## **PROFESSIONAL BOARD POSITIONS**

Georgia Department of Economic Development Advisory Board (seven years), Georgia Economic Developer's Association Board Member (three years), Georgia Economic Developer's Association Secretary/Treasurer (one year), Georgia Economic Developer's Association Second Vice Chair (one year), University Economic Development Association Board Member (two years), University Economic Development Association Committee Chair (two years), Fayette County, Georgia Development Authority Board Member (four years).

## **HOBBIES**

Triathlon competitor and nine-time Ironman triathlon finisher, fishing and outdoors.

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# Community Economic Development Advisory Board

## Board Roster

### Sean Burroughs

**1st Term** May 10, 2022 - Mar 10, 2025

**Position** Chair

**Category** Medical/Healthcare

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### John K Dalton

**1st Term** Jun 07, 2022 - Jun 07, 2025

**Position** Member

**Category** Development, Engineering,  
Planning

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### Ron Dipillo

**1st Term** Mar 30, 2023 - Mar 30, 2026

**Position** Member

**Category** Higher Education

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### Lacey Holland

**1st Term** Feb 29, 2024 - Feb 28, 2027

**Position** Member

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### Julianne Lacour

**1st Term** Feb 14, 2023 - Feb 14, 2026

**Position** Member

**Category** Diversified Light  
Industrial/Manufacturing

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### Duane Sautbine

**1st Term** Dec 14, 2021 - Dec 14, 2024

**Position** Member

**Category** North Port Resident

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### Vacancy

**Category** Financial Services

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# Community Economic Development Advisory Board

## Board Details

(a) The community economic development advisory board shall serve in an advisory capacity and shall work with the city manager and staff as appointed by the city manager in researching, developing and recommending business and economic development policies necessary to direct the orderly economic growth of the city.

(b) The community economic development advisory board shall work with the city manager and staff as appointed by the city manager to support the city's business and economic development activities as follows:

- (1) Make recommendations on any updates to the city's business and economic development strategic plan with long-term goals and objectives.
- (2) Provide recommendations on any city commission short-term action plans and measurements.
- (3) Make recommendations on resources allocated for economic development activity of the city.
- (4) Provide recommendations on policies and ordinances affecting economic development.

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## Overview

**Size** 11 Seats

**Term Length** 3 Years

**Term Limit** 2

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## Contact

**Name** Micheal Bodmer

**Email** boardapplications@cityofnorthport.com

**Phone** (941) 429-7061

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## Additional

**Membership Requirements**

It is preferred that a majority of the regular and alternate members of the board shall be city residents. However, in cases where local residents are unable or unavailable to fill a specific category, applicants who are not city residents will be considered for membership. The community economic development advisory board shall consist of up to 11 regular members comprised of: (1) No more than two members from each of the following categories: a. Financial services; b. Real estate; and c. North Port resident. (2) No more than one member from each of the following categories: a. Medical and health care; b. Development, engineering, or planning; c. Higher education or unelected school board representative; d. Tourism, sports, or entertainment; e. Diversified light industrial/manufacturing; f. Public relations; and g. Land use attorney. An unelected Sarasota County representative may serve as an ex officio nonvoting member.

**Meetings**

The board shall meet at least quarterly, but may hold additional meetings as needed.

**Enacting Legislation**

City Code Chapter 4 Article I - Boards Generally and Article VI - Community Economic Development Advisory Board

**Enacting Resolution Website**

n/a