

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	November 17, 2020
Department:	Fire-Rescue
Advisory Board:	Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

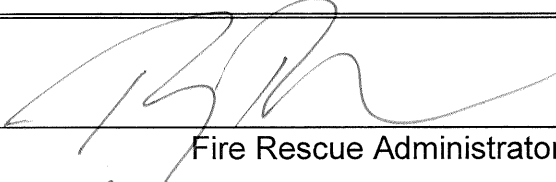
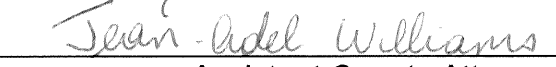
**Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve:** One (1) reappointment to the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments beginning November 17, 2020 through September 30, 2023.

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Seat No.</u>	<u>Nominated By</u>
George Heisel	Resident At-large	8	Commissioner Kerner Commissioner Weiss

**Summary:** The Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments is maintained in accordance with the Palm Beach County Local Amendments to the Florida Fire Prevention Code (Section 12-57, Palm Beach County Code). On July 17, 2020 a memo was distributed to the Commissioners requesting nominations to this eight (8) - member board (At-Large). This board is appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and members serve no more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year terms. No other nominations were received. The Board consists of eight (8) members. Upon approval of this item, five (5) seats will be filled with a diversity count of Caucasian: 5 (100%) and African-American: 0 (0%), and a gender ratio (male:female) of 4:1. The candidate nominated for reappointment is a Caucasian male. Staff will continue to address the need to increase diversity on our boards. Countywide (SB)

**Background and Justification:** The Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments requires the appointment by the County Commission of individuals working in specific, related fields that are knowledgeable to make decisions on Fire Code appeals, and to make recommendations for changes to the Fire Code to the Board of County Commissioners and Fire-Rescue. There is still a vacant position for the General Contractor, Seat 1, Fire Alarm Contractor, Seat 6, and Mechanical Engineer, Seat 7, and nominations are being pursued.

- Attachments:**
- 1. Board/Committees Application Form
  - 2. Bio/Resume for Nominee
  - 3. Current List of Board Members
  - 4. Section 12-57 Amendments to the Florida Fire Prevention Code, Palm Beach County Code, subsection 1.10 Board of Appeals and Adjustments
  - 5. Memo dated July 17, 2020 to Commissioners requesting nominations
  - 6. Current meeting date schedule

Recommended by:		10/22/2020
	Fire Rescue Administrator	Date
Approved by:		10/26/2020
	Assistant County Attorney	Date

II. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. Other Department Review:

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Department Director

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(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT.)

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# Attachment 1

**PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION**

*The information provided on this form will be used in considering your nomination. Please COMPLETE SECTION II IN FULL. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Please attach a biography or résumé to this form.*

**Section I (Department):** (Please Print)

Board Name: PBC Fine Code Board of Appeals & Adjustments Advisory ☐ Not Advisory ☐

☐ At Large Appointment or ☐ District Appointment /District #: \_\_\_\_\_

Term of Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_ Years. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Seat Requirement: \_\_\_\_\_ Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ \*Reappointment or ☐ New Appointment

or ☐ to complete the term of \_\_\_\_\_ Due to: ☐ resignation ☐ other

Completion of term to expire on: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section II (Applicant):** (Please Print)

**APPLICANT, UNLESS EXEMPTED, MUST BE A COUNTY RESIDENT**

Name: HEISEL George Thomas  
Last First Middle

Occupation/Affiliation: AT Large  
Owner ☐ Employee ☐ Officer ☐

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address: 3802 CAPTAINS WAY

City & State Jupiter, FL Zip Code: 33477-4082

Home Phone: (561) 575-6845 Business Phone: ( ) Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (561) 252-4600 Fax: ( )

Email Address: Georgeheisel@gmail.com

Mailing Address Preference: ☐ Business ☒ Residence

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If Yes, state the court, nature of offense, disposition of case and date: \_\_\_\_\_

Minority Identification Code: ☒ Male ☐ Female  
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Section II Continued:

**CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIPS:** Pursuant to Article XIII, Sec. 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, advisory board members are prohibited from entering into any contract or other transaction for goods or services with Palm Beach County. Exceptions to this prohibition include awards made under sealed competitive bids, certain emergency and sole source purchases, and transactions that do not exceed \$500 per year in aggregate. These exemptions are described in the Code. This prohibition does not apply when the advisory board member's board provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy-setting recommendations regarding the subject contract or transaction and the contract or transaction is disclosed at a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. **To determine compliance with this provision, it is necessary that you, as a board member applicant, identify all contractual relationships between Palm Beach County government and you as an individual, directly or indirectly, or your employer or business.** This information should be provided in the space below. If there are no contracts or transactions to report, please verify that none exist. Staff will review this information and determine if you are eligible to serve or if you may be eligible for an exception or waiver pursuant to the code.

**I have a consulting contract with AMR in NYS but this board and the PBC Fire Advisory Boards do NOT have direct oversight, regulation, management, policy setting, regulation of services in PBC-for further info please contact County Atty Denise Kauffman-561-355-2255** 100

(Attach Additional Sheet(s), if necessary)  
OR

NONE

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NOT APPLICABLE/  
(Governmental Entity)

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AND

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\*Applicant's Signature: [Signature] Printed Name: George HEISEL Date: 7/17/20

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{Insert Address Here}

**Section III (Commissioner, if applicable):**

Appointment to be made at BCC Meeting on:

Commissioner's Signature: [Signature] Date: 7-24-20

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# Attachment 2



**GEORGE T. HEISEL, SR.**  
**3802 Captain's Way**  
**Jupiter, FL 33477**

**GeorgeHeisel@gmail.com**  
**561-575-6845**

**OBJECTIVE:**

To apply my many years of corporate experience in a public service position. My areas of expertise are conflict resolution, "high quality/on time service delivery, public relations and open/honest/straight forward communications. As an assertive, high energy, enthusiastic leader I am willing to contribute time and resources to this position.

**BUSINESS EXPERIENCE:**

National Ambulance and Homecare Services- Rochester, New York. Owner, operator of this multidivisional private company of 600 employees who delivered emergency, non-emergency and home health care services to a community of 780,000 residents. I was responsible for setting up the first two-way radio communications system between ambulance and hospitals in the area, as well as being a leader in establishing the color code system for emergency conditions in each of the Rochester hospitals. The company sold in 1994 to Rural Metro Corporation, a publicly traded national medical transportation company where I served as advisor until retirement in 1998.

**PAST AND PRESENT AFFILIATED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

- Admiral's Cove Master Property Owners Association, President
- United Neighborhood Centers of Greater Rochester Foundation, Board of Directors
- N.Y.S. Region VI Human Rights Advisory Council
- McQuaid Jesuit High School, Board of Trustees
- Wesley-on-East Nursing Home, Board of Directors
- Baden Street Settlement House, Treasurer, Board of Directors
- St. Bernard's Institute, Board of Trustees
- United Neighbor Centers of Greater Rochester, Member, Board of Directors
- United Way PEA Board
- Monroe County Legal Aid Society, Board of Directors
- Genesee Valley Heart Association, Board of Directors
- Small Business Council of Rochester Board of Directors

**PAST AND PRESENT PUBLIC SAFETY AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS:**

- National Medical Transportation Association, Inc.
- Monroe County 911 Operating Practices Board, Vice Chair
- Nominating and Privatization Committees of Board of Directors, American Ambulance Association
- Rochester, NY, Police Interaction Committee
- Crime Stoppers, Board of Directors
- Lewis Street Center, Board of Advisors
- Monroe Livingston Emergency Medical Services Council
- N.Y.S. Emergency Medical Services Council
- Ambulance and Medical Services Assoc. of America, Board of Directors
- STEP (Society for Total Emergency Planning), Board Member

- Hospital Emergency Planning Committee of the Rochester Hospital Council
- National Fire Protection Association
- Distinguished Community Service Award presented by the Command Officers of the Rochester Police Department Rosewood Club on 12/11/89
- Carl Hallauer Award of Rochester Police Rosewood Club 12/13/93
- 1983 Rochester Police Locust Club Man of the Year Award
- Founding Member of the National Association of EMTs
- International Rescue and First Aid Association
- Professional Ambulance Association of N.Y.S., President
- NYS – Certified EMT – 1967-1997
- Rochester Police Department Swat Team / Tactical Medic – 30 years
- Certified IS100.b, IS700.b, IS800.b
- Rochester Police Foundation – 2011-2014, Board Member

**EDUCATION:**

- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Monroe Community College
- McQuaid Jesuit High School

**February 2015**

# Attachment 3



**PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS & ADJUSTMENTS**

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**I. AUTHORITY :**

Ordinance No. 92-18; amended by Ordinance No. 94-12; amended by Ordinance 96-13; amending by Ordinance 98-29; amended by Ordinance No. 2001-101; amended by Ordinance No. 2004-073; amended by Ordinance 2008-045; amended by Ordinance No. 2011-038; amended by Ordinance 2014-002; amended by Ordinance 2014-042; amended by Ordinance 2017-043.

**II. APPOINTING BODY :**

Board of County Commissioners

**III. COMPOSITION, QUALIFICATIONS, TERMS & REMOVAL :**

The Board is comprised of eight members who are qualified by training and experience to vary the application and provisions of the Fire Code, and act on related matters, and to perform such other duties as established. The composition of the Board is as follows: One registered engineer, practicing in the mechanical field; one Florida or Palm Beach County certified general contractor; one certified fire alarm contractor; one certified fire sprinkler contractor; one citizen of Palm Beach County, not eligible under other membership categories; one registered architect; one Palm Beach County municipal building official; and one Palm Beach County municipal fire service representative. Where a member is required to be registered or certified, same shall be issued by the State of Florida unless otherwise specified. The members shall serve no more than three consecutive three year terms. Members' terms shall begin on October 1 and end on September 30. All members must reside within Palm Beach County at the time of the appointment and while serving on the Board and shall be qualified electors of Palm Beach County. A majority of the members appointed shall constitute a quorum. \* NOTE: When sitting solely in its advisory capacity, the Board shall be known as the Fire Code Advisory Board and shall be composed of the same members as the Board of Appeals & Adjustments. The members of the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall serve ex-officio as members of the Fireworks Board of Appeals and perform the functions of that Board as set forth in Ordinance No. 2004-020, as may be amended.

**EXTENDED COMPOSITION :**

**IV. MEETINGS :**

Meetings are scheduled on a monthly basis, or as needed for resolution of pending appeals. Upon receipt of the notice of appeal, a hearing shall be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board, with notice to the appellant, the AHJ, and the members of the Board, at least five (5) working days prior to said hearing. Special meetings may also be called by the Board provided that five (5) working days' notice is given to both parties.

**V. FUNCTIONS :**

1) Provide for reasonable interpretation of the provision of the Fire Code, rule on appeals from decisions of the AHJ and approve equivalent alternatives; 2) Review the Fire Code and recommend specific Code amendments to the Board of County Commissioners for the purposes of clarification, applicability, public safety, and changes in technology, so as to maintain the Code as an effective and responsive document; 3) Rule on appeals of conflict decisions made jointly by the local AHJ and the local building official, and resolve conflicts between the building code and the fire code where the local AHJ and local building official are unable to agree; 4) Rule on appeals from orders of the AHJ in Local Amendment challenges; 5) Rule on appeals from decisions of the AHJ relating to false alarms.

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\* indicates a member having an action pending

VI. LIAISON INFORMATION :

<u>LIAISON DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>CONTACT PERSON</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Fire Rescue	David DeRita	405 Pike Rd West Palm Beach FL 33411 Phone # 561-616-7030

\* indicates a member having an action pending



## FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS & ADJUSTMENTS

SEAT ID	CURRENT MEMBER	ROLE TYPE	RACE CODE	GENDER	BUSINESS / HOME	SEAT REQUIREMENT	APPOINT DATE	REAPPOINT DATE	EXPIRE DATE
Appointed By : At-Large/Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners									
1	Vacant	Member				General Contractor			/
NOMINATED BY :									
2	Kathy Cline clinek@bbfl.us City of Boynton Beach/Fire Rescue 2080 Highridge Rd Boynton Beach FL 33426	Member	CA	F	--	Municipal Fire Representative	03/12/2019		09/30/2022
NOMINATED BY :									
3	Jacek R. Tomasik jtomasik@wellingtonfl.gov Village of Wellington 12300 Forest Hill Blvd Wellington FL 33414	Member	CA	M	561-753-2505	Building Official	05/15/2012		09/30/2021
NOMINATED BY :									
4	Steve R. Soderlund steve@soderlundarchitecture.com Soderlund Architecture and Design, P.A. 19369 Colorado Cir Boca Raton FL 33434	Member	CA	M	954-260-3452	Architect	10/01/2015	10/01/2018	09/30/2021
NOMINATED BY :									

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Appointed By : At-Large/Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners

5	John P Duffin johnd@waynefire.com Wayne Automatic Sprinklers, Inc. 1500 Powerline Rd Ste A Deerfield Beach FL 33442	Member	CA	M	--	Fire Sprinkler Contractor	08/25/2020	09/30/2023
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NOMINATED BY :

6	Vacant	Member				Fire Alarm Contractor		
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NOMINATED BY :

7	Vacant	Member				Mechanical Engineer		/
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NOMINATED BY :

8	* George T. Heisel georgeheisel@gmail.com  3802 Captains Way Jupiter FL 33477 4082	Member	CA	M	561-575-6845	Resident of Palm Beach County	10/01/2017	09/30/2020
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# Attachment 4



**Sec. 12-57. - Amendments to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.**

**1.10 Board of Appeals and Adjustments.**

**1.10.1 General.** Whenever it is claimed that the provisions of this Code do not apply or have been misapplied, or when it is claimed that the true intent and meaning of this Code or any of the regulations there under have been misconstrued or misapplied, or when it is claimed that a decision is unreasonable or arbitrary as it applies to alternatives, the owner or his duly authorized agent may appeal the decision of the AHJ to the Board of Appeals and Adjustments. Notice of appeal shall be in writing and filed with the AHJ within thirty (30) days after the decision is rendered by the AHJ. Appeals shall be on forms provided by the AHJ.

**1.10.2 Board of Appeals and Adjustments Created.** There is hereby created a Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments, herein after referred to as the "Board", consisting of eight (8) members who are qualified by training and experience to vary the application of the provisions of this code, and act on related matters, and to perform such other duties as established herein. The Board shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. All members must reside within Palm Beach County at the time of appointment and while serving on the Board and shall be qualified electors of Palm Beach County. The Board shall adopt rules and regulations for conducting its business. The AHJ shall designate a representative to act as Secretary to the Board. Public Notice of all Board meetings shall be provided. All Board meetings shall be open to the public and shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Florida "Government in the Sunshine" and "Public Records" laws. Minutes shall be taken at each meeting. The Board shall be subject to the uniform policies and procedures established by the Board of County Commissioners as currently set forth in Resolution No. 2013-0193, as may be further amended by action of the Board of County Commissioners. All Board meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order. Board members shall be governed by the applicable provisions of the state Ethics Code and the applicable provisions of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics.

**1.10.3 Recommendations to Board of County Commissioners.** The Board shall review this Code and make recommendations, in the form of specific amendments, to the Board of County Commissioners for corrections, additions, substitutions or deletions to said Code for the purposes of clarification, applicability, public safety, and changes in technology, so as to maintain this Code as an effective and responsive document.

**1.10.4 Composition.** The composition of the Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall be as follows:

- a. One (1) Florida or Palm Beach County certified general contractor.
- b. One (1) Palm Beach County municipal fire service representative.
- c. One (1) Palm Beach County municipal building official.
- d. One (1) registered architect.
- e. One (1) certified fire sprinkler contractor.
- f. One (1) certified fire alarm contractor.
- g. One (1) registered engineer, practicing in the mechanical field.
- h. One (1) citizen of Palm Beach County, not eligible under other membership categories.

Where a member is required to be registered or certified, same shall be issued by the State of Florida unless otherwise specified.

**1.10.5 Vote Calculation.** Each member shall have a full vote.

**1.10.6 Term.** The members shall serve no more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year terms. Any vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term and shall not count towards the member's term limits. The member's terms shall begin on October 1 and end on September 30. Current members' terms shall expire on September 30 of the year in which their term expires.

**1.10.7 Removal/Absences.** All members shall be subject to the rules, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, governing Board participation and attendance.

**1.10.8 Fire Code Advisory Board.** When sitting solely in its advisory capacity, the Board shall be known as the Fire Code Advisory Board and shall be composed of the same members as the Board of Appeals and Adjustments. Persons appointed to the Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall be deemed to be likewise appointed to the Fire Code Advisory Board.

**1.10.9 Procedures on Appeal.**

**1.10.9.1 Hearing.** Upon receipt of the notice of appeal by the AHJ, a hearing shall be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board, with notice to the appellant, the AHJ, and the members of the Board, at least five (5) working days' prior to said hearing. Special meetings may also be called by the Board provided that five (5) working days' notice is given to both parties. If the applicant requires a special meeting to be called, the appeal fee shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Both the appellant and the AHJ, or their representatives, shall attend the hearing and may present evidence at same. The Board shall consider each appeal on its own merits and shall base its decision only on the evidence presented at said hearing.

**1.10.9.2 Board Action.** The Board, upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes present, shall either 1) affirm the decision of the AHJ; 2) modify the decision of the AHJ; or 3) reverse the decision of the AHJ and affirm the appellant's position. The Board's decision, with the reasons therefore, shall be transcribed in writing and a copy shall be mailed, by certified mail, to the appellant, within ten (10) days after the hearing. All such decisions shall be final, subject to judicial review as provided by law.

**1.10.9.3 Tie Vote.** In the event the Board is deadlocked in a tie vote, the appellant may request the Board to defer final action until the next regular meeting date or a specific date certain. The appellant shall be entitled to one (1) such deferral as of right. The matter shall be deferred and heard de novo, unless the majority then present at the time deferral is requested vote for the matter to be determined upon the record only at the upcoming hearing after deferral.

**1.10.10 Decisions.**

**1.10.10.1** The Board shall provide for reasonable interpretation of the provisions of this Code and rule on appeals from decisions of the AHJ. The Board may approve an equivalent alternative in accordance with Section 1.4 of this Code.

**1.10.10.2 Action.** The Board shall, in every case, reach a decision without unreasonable or unnecessary delay. If a decision of the Board reverses or modifies a refusal, order, or disallowance of the AHJ, the AHJ shall immediately take action in accordance with such decision.

**1.10.11 AHJ Order Stayed, Exception.** Pending the disposition of an appeal scheduled for hearing, the order or decision of the AHJ sought to be appealed shall be stayed unless the AHJ certifies under oath, based upon available data, that an extreme danger to life or property exists, warranting immediate compliance under this Code. Said certification must be included in the order and be filed with the Board within ten (10) days after the notice of appeal is filed.

**1.10.12 Conflict Resolution.**

**1.10.12.1** Any conflict between the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code and Life Safety Code as applied to a specific project shall be resolved in accordance with Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes.

**1.10.12.2** The Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments is hereby designated and authorized to perform the local administrative board functions set forth in Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes. In accordance with Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes, the duties and functions of the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall include the following:

- a. To hear and render decisions in appeals of conflict decisions made jointly by the local AHJ and the local building official, in accordance with Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes.
- b. To resolve conflicts between the building code and the fire code, in accordance with Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes, in those instances where the local AHJ and the local building official are unable to agree on a resolution of said conflict.

**1.10.12.3** If the County has, or does, designate another local board to perform the functions set out in Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes, then said board and the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall rotate the duty to fulfill the functions as set forth in this Section 1.10.12 and in Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes, on an annual basis or as otherwise agreed to by the AHJ and the local building official.

**1.10.12.4** Any conflict between the Building Code and the Fire Code that involves the County's local amendments to either Code shall likewise be resolved in the manner set forth in Section 553.73(11), Florida Statutes, and this Section 1.10.12.

**1.10.13 Additional Powers and Functions.** The Board of Appeals and Adjustments is hereby authorized and empowered to: 1) hear and rule upon appeals from orders of the AHJ in Local Amendment challenges brought pursuant to Section 633.208(3)(d), Florida Statutes, and in accordance with Section 1.7.21 of this Code; 2) hear and rule upon appeals from decisions of the AHJ relating to false alarms as set forth in Section 10.6.6 of this code; 3) perform any other functions authorized for the Board by this Code.

**1.10.14 Fireworks Board of Appeals.** The members of the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall serve ex-officio as members of the Fireworks Board of Appeals and perform the functions of that Board, all as set forth in Palm Beach County Ordinance No. 2004-020, as it may be amended from time to time.

**1.10.15** Any decision of the Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments shall be final and reviewable in the manner and within the time provided by the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure only by a petition for writ of certiorari filed with the Circuit Court in Palm Beach County.

(Ord. No. 98-29, §§ 1—5, 7-21-98; Ord. No. 00-5, § 1, 1-11-00; Ord. No. 01-101, App. A, 12-18-01; Ord. No. 04-073, § 1, App. A, 12-21-04; Ord. No. 08-045, § 1, App. A, 11-18-08; Ord. No. 2011-038, § 1(Exh. A), 12-20-11; Ord. No. 2014-002, § 1, 2-4-14; Ord. No. 2014-042, § 1(App. A), 12-16-14; Ord. No. 2017-043, § 1(App. A), 12-19-17)

# Attachment 5



**Fire Rescue**

Chief Reginald K. Duren  
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**Palm Beach County  
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**Date:** July 17, 2020

**To:** Dave Kerner, Mayor  
Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Reginald Duren, Fire Administrator  
Fire-Rescue Department

**Subject:** Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments

The Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments is an advisory board appointed by the County Commission to review the Fire Code, hear appeals, and make recommendations to the Commission on fire and life safety issues. This Board, established in 1984, is required by the County Fire Code, Palm Beach County Ordinance 2017-043.

Each position on the Board is representative of a segment of the fire protection community. Our citizen position has been held by George Heisel since 2016. I would like to reappoint the following member to the at-large Citizen position.

Name	Industry	Term
George Heisel	Citizen Representative	3 years

Mr. Heisel's term will expire on September 30, 2020. He has agreed to remain on the Board to fill this position. He has completed training on the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics and has signed and acknowledged his training and understanding of the Guide to the Sunshine Amendment.

If you would like to nominate the above listed applicant, please sign the attached Board/Committee Application Form. If you would like to make a nomination for appointment of this position, please forward the information to the office of David DeRita, Division Chief, Bureau of Safety Services. Please submit your nominations by July 31, 2020.

Thank you for your interest and assistance in this appointment process. If you should have any questions, please contact David DeRita at 616-7030 or my office at 616-7001.

Attachments: Board/Committee Application Form  
Member Resume

cc: Jon Van Arnam, Deputy County Administrator  
David DeRita, Division Chief  
David Woodside, Deputy Chief

# Attachment 6



**Palm Beach County Fire Rescue**  
**405 Pike Rd. West Palm Beach, FL 33411**  
**Fire Code Board of Appeals and Adjustments**



**Meeting Schedule**

Date	Time	Room
Wednesday, August 26, 2020	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Everglades Room
Wednesday, September 9, 2020	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Everglades Room
Wednesday, October 14, 2020	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Everglades Room
Wednesday, November 11, 2020	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Everglades Room
Wednesday, December 9, 2020	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Everglades Room