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PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

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II. REVIEW COMMENTS

Other Department Review:
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Background and Justification: The Westgate CRA was established by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Ordinance No. 89-6, adopted in May 1989, and amended by Ordinance No. 91-50, adopted in March 1991. The Westgate CRA By-laws provide for board members and the public to nominate prospective candidates for the Westgate Belvedere Homes CRA Board and forward the nominations to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners for appointments. If all the candidates are appointed, the diversity count will be 2 Males, 3 Females, 3 Whites, 1 Black, 1 Hispanic.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable Mayor Maria G. Marino, and Commissioners

THRU:

Tammy Fields, Assistant County Administrator

FROM:

Elizée Michel, Executive Director, Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community

Redevelopment Agency

DATE:

August 1, 2025

RE:

Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Agency

(Westgate CRA) Advisory Board Appointments

The Westgate CRA Board is composed of seven (7) At-Large members of individuals who reside or are engaged in business within the Westgate CRA boundaries. The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners appoints members based on recommendations made by the Westgate CRA Board and residents according to Ordinance No. 89-6 and the CRA bylaws.

The Westgate CRA Board nominates Mr. Juan Groves to be appointed for Seat #1. Mr. Groves is a Hispanic-American local business owner in Westgate CRA, meeting the eligibility requirements. The Westgate CRA Board nominates Ms. Joanne Rufty to be reappointed for Seat #7 for another four years. Ms. Rufty is a local resident who resides in the Westgate CRA, meeting the eligibility requirements by being a resident in Westgate CRA.

The board application forms for Mr. Juan Groves and Ms. Joanne Rufty are attached for your consideration. Please sign the forms and call Mai Bui for pick-up at (561) 632-0813 no later than August 15, 2025. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Attachments: Board Nomination Forms

Bio/Resume for Mr. Juan Groves and Ms. Joanne Rufty

1280 N. Congress Avenue, Suite 215 West Palm Beach, Florida 33409 561-640-8181 westgatecra.org

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)

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	Owner [X]	E	mployee []		Office	r []
Business Name:	Construsa, LLC					
Business Address:	2915 Saginaw Avenu	ıe				
City & State	West Palm Beach, Fl		2	Zip Code:	33409	
Residence Address:	3050 Presidential Wa	ny #103				
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Cell Phone:	(561) 541-0782	Fax:		()		
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THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO



Juan Groves

FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE 4-HOUR COURSE

Florida Ethics, Public Records & Sunshine Law 2025

Florida Bar CLE: #2403074N (5 hours General & 2.5 hours Ethics) | IIMC: .75 CMC Experience or .75 MMC Professional Contribution Points

Issued: 2025-05-26

Certificate ID: nwhcnnpcdp





JUAN GROVES



About Me

Friendly, hardworking, and knowledgeable professional with a dynamic approach to problem-solving and collaboration.

Possessing a strong dedication to excellence and a passion for continuous learning, I thrive in fast-paced environments where I can contribute my expertise and interpersonal skills to drive success.



561.541.0782



juangroves1@aol.com



3050 Presidential Way #103 West Palm Beach, FL 33401

LANGUAGE

- English
- Spanish

EXPERIENCE

Owner 2/2013 - Current Construsa LLC.

Construction company specialized in new buildings, renovations and remodeling.

Accounts Payable Technician

10/23 - Current

Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller, Palm Beach

Perform highly accountable administrative/clerical work with a focus on the technical aspects of intake quality assurance and records management functions.

Volunteer

10/23 - Current

Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller, Palm Beach

Assisted the county Criminal Division with filing, scanning and customer service.

EXPERTISE

- Management Skills
- Construction
- Investment
- Critical Thinking
- · Customer Service

EDUCATION

Marketing & Finance Degree Bachelor of Business Management

Diploma

Master of Business Management

Interior Remodel Contractor License - L14000019686

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PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION

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Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners



Joanne Rufty

Ms. Rufty is another WCRA Board member who is also a native of the Westgate Community and an alumnus of Twin Lakes High School. Her professional expertise is in human resources and real estate appraisal field. Working as an executive secretary for M.R. Ford & Associates, Inc., a Real Estate Appraisers & Consultants for nine (9) years provided Ms. Rufty with a natural transition to her current position as an Executive Assistant in the Administration/Human Resources section of the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office.

In her current position, Ms. Rufty serves as a Taxpayer Advocate for the Property Appraiser by assisting the public and/or representatives in resolving conflicts related to exemptions, assessments, and/or office policy in addition to her administrative responsibilities. These duties cover a broad range of duties from speaking engagements, new hire orientations, and training to performing criminal background checks and drug screening, providing input on HR Action Requests and procedures, and recruitment. Since joining the Property's Appraiser's Office in 1995, Ms. Rufty has held many titles including Senior Clerk for Commercial Appraisals and Human Resources Departments and assistant to the Litigation and Commercial Appraisers and HR Manager.

In July 2009, Ms. Rufty joined the WCRA Board and currently serves as the Special Events Chair for the Agency. Ms. Rufty will be assisting WCRA staff in developing the area's first greenmarket. The greenmarket will engage the community in a signature event and bring awareness to the sustainable concept of of "buying local".

Section 1. AUTHORITY FOR ENACTHENT.

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Community
Redevelopment Act of 1969, as smended, Chapter 69-305, Laws of Florida.

Section 2. CREATION OF THE WESTGATE/BELVEDERE HOMES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

There is hereby created a public body corporate and politic to be known as the Westgate/Relveders Homes Community Redevelopment Agency, hereinafter referred to as the "Agency."

Section 3. MEMBERSHIP

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3.01. The agency shall consist of seven (7) commissioners appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Any person may be appointed as a commissioner if he or she resides or is engaged in business, which shall mean owning a business, practicing a profession, or partforming a service for compensation, or serving as an officer or director of a corporation or other business entity so engaged, within the area of operation of the agency, which shall be coterminous with the area of operation of the county.

3.02. Terms of office of the commissioners shall be for 4 years except that three of the members first appointed shall be designated to serve terms of 1, 2 and 3 years, respectively, from the date of their appointments, and four (4) members shall be designated to serve for terms of 4 years from the date of their appointments. A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. A certificate of the appointment or responsible for the unexpired term. A certificate of the appointment or responsible to any commissioner shall be filled with the clerk of the county, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the due and proper appointment of such commissioner.

3.03. A commissioner shall receive no compansation for his services, but shall be entitled to the necessary expenses, including traveling expenses, incurred in the discharge of his duties, subject to prior approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

2.04. The powers of a community redevelopment agency shall be exercised by the commissioners thereof. A majority of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business and exercising the powers of the agency and for all other purposes. Action may be taken by the agency upon a vote of a majority of the commissioners present, unless in any case the bylaws shall require a larger number.

WESTGATE/BELVEDERE HOMES CRA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEAT ID	CURRENT MEMBER	RACE CODE	BUSINESS/ HOME PHONE	REQUIREMENT	APPOINT DATE	EXPIRE DATE
1						
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4	Teliska Jackson-Wolliston 2337 Wabasso Drive West Palm Beach, FL. 33409	BF	(561) 346-8920	Resident	08/22/2023	05/31/2027
5	Ruth A. Haggerty 840 Beech Road West Palm Beach, FL. 33409	WF	(561) 683-0409	Business Owner/Resident	08/22/2023	05/31/2027
6	Ronald Daniels 1683 Latham Road West Palm Beach, FL. 33409	WM	(561) 697-4490	Business Owner	09/17/2024	05/31/2028
7	Joanne Rufty 2025 Kenwood Road West Palm Beach, FL. 33409	WF	(561) 471-9365	Resident	08/17/2021	05/31/2025

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