



CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH BOARD/COMMISSION APPLICATION

Name of Board/Commission PARKS, RECREATION, & COMMUNITY RESOURCES ADVISORY

Name Phone Number

Address

Email

Occupation/Profession

Employer Name & Address

REFERENCES (Please List Three References)

Personal:

Professional:

Other:

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE (Past and Present)

Why do you wish to serve on the Board/Commission?

I would like to serve an additional term as Parks & Rec Commissioner. I very much enjoy the work, and there are projects I would like to see come to fruition. Specifically, I want to see the Commission evaluate and make a dog park/area recommendation. I also am interested in seeing whether the City might be well-served by the creation of a Youth Council (focusing on developing youth programming and soliciting input about how to improve our parks and recreation facilities). Long-term, I would love to see progress made on improving Clark Field.

Which duties and responsibilities of the Board/Commission are important to you and why?

The Commission's bread and butter responsibility is to review Special Event permit applications. My view of Special Events remains as it was when I first applied. The City has tremendous events. I believe the Commission's role is to protect our legacy events, encourage a variety of events, constantly evaluate and improve our community outreach and promotion, and to vigilantly guard against over-programming the beach area. I believe we have done that during the past four years. The Commission also has an important role in monitoring and making recommendations on park maintenance, use and programming; and capital improvements. We have worked toward a biennial review of all our programming to make sure we provide programs of interest to residents. We are working toward developing a closer relationship with the Public Works Commission.

Do you have any current or past obligations or responsibilities, which could be construed as a conflict of interest with the position you are applying for? **NO**

If yes, please explain below:

No

Please add your education, employment, memberships, past activities, or other experience you feel qualifies you to serve on the Board/Commission.

I have submitted a resume.

Highlights include:

I. Community:

City of Hermosa Beach Commissioner: Hermosa Beach Parks, Recreation and Community Resources Advisory Commission (2021-2025)

Hermosa Beach Chamber Foundation Board Member (2025-2028)

City of Hermosa Beach Commissioner: Civil Service Commission (2014-2019)

Recipient, Los Angeles County Bar Association Outstanding Pro Bono Attorney Achievement Award (1996-1997)

II. Education:

University of Southern California J.D. (1984), M.A. (1994), Ph.D. program (all but dissertation)

Miami University B.A. (1981)

III. Attorney:

Self-Employed in Torrance and then Redondo Beach (1996-2019)

Of Counsel (civil litigation); Pircher, Nichols and Meeks, Century City (1993-1997)

Associate (civil litigation), Sidley & Austin, Los Angeles (1989-1993)

Deputy Public Defender, Los Angeles County Public Defender's office (1987-1989)

Associate (civil litigation and public finance), Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, Cleveland (1984-1987)

IV. Teaching

Whittier Law School (1995-1996)

University of Southern California (1993-1994)

<u>Board/Commission</u>	<u>Meeting Location</u>	<u>Meeting Schedule</u>
Building Board of Appeals	City Council Chambers	Second Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

This five-member board provides reasonable interpretations of the Building Code [HBMC 15.04.020]

Civil Service Board	City Council Chambers	Third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m.
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This five-member board serves as the City's Review Board pertaining to personnel functions and Civil Service Rules and Regulations, including review and approval of job specifications and eligibility lists [HBMC 2.76.060-2.76.090].

Parks, Recreation & Community Advisory Commission	City Council Chambers	First Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.
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This five-member commission serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council in all matters pertaining to the Community Resources Department; cooperates with other governmental agencies and civic groups on the advancement of sound leisure, cultural, social services and educational programming; provides guidance and approvals for City special events; and formulates policies on the services, programs and lease agreements of the Department, subject to approval of the City Council [HBMC 2.28].

Planning Commission	City Council Chambers	Third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. (in December meeting is on the second Monday)
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This five-member commission is governed in all respects and performs duties as prescribed by applicable state and local laws. The primary purpose of the Commission is to maintain and enhance the environment of the community, which entails advance or long-range planning (updating of the General Plan and specific elements), current planning (short-range projects), and land use controls (administering to the code and review of all subdivisions and zoning petitions). The Commission serves as an advisory board to the City Council on all matters pertaining to zoning, conditional use permit process, etc. [HBMC 2.32].

Public Works Commission	City Council Chambers	Third Wednesday of odd-numbered months (January, March, May, July, September, and November) at 7 p.m.
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The duties of this five-member commission are to review and make recommendations to the City Council on all capital improvement program projects, assist with developing and updating design guidelines for public improvements and other matters referred to the Commission by the City Council [HBMC 2.80].

Do you foresee any scheduling problems that might cause you to miss meetings? NO

How long have you lived in Hermosa Beach? 40 years

Additional comments:

☒ I have read the roles and responsibilities of the Board/Commission I am applying for. If required, I will submit proof of my voter registration status at the time I submit my application (voterstatus.sos.ca.gov).

☒ I understand a resume must be submitted to the city clerk's office at the time I submit my application to be considered for the position.

Signature:

Date:

5-15-25

E. THOMAS MORONEY

Hermosa Beach, California

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Juris Doctor, May 1984

Magna Cum Laude

Order of the Coif

Judge Malcolm Lucas Award (Highest First-Year GPA)

Executive Articles Editor - Southern California Law Review

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Masters of Arts (Political Science), December 1994

Awarded with Distinction

PhD Program (ABD)

MIAMI UNIVERSITY, Oxford, Ohio

Bachelor of Arts, May 1981

Political Science Major

National Debate Tournament (1980, 1981)

EMPLOYMENT

E. THOMAS MORONEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW (1996 - 2019)

Torrance/Redondo Beach, California

Civil Litigation, Criminal Defense, Estate Planning

Interesting Cases:

Jankey v. Poop Deck (2008) 537 F.3d 1122: Represented Poop Deck and The Mermaid Restaurant in ADA litigation.

Ninth Circuit holds, *inter alia*, that it is permissible to reduce ADA litigant attorney's fees based on the "protracting litigation" rationale.

Martinez v. Brownco (2013) 56 Cal4th 1014:

Albro L. Lundy, III and E. Thomas Moroney, Plaintiff Magazine, Oct.

2013 "The stick and the carrot: Martinez and the "last offer rule."

California Supreme Court changes settlement procedure rule.

PIRCHER, NICHOLS & MEEKS, Los Angeles, CA (1993-1997)

Of Counsel -- Civil Litigation

Interesting Cases:

Kuo v. Chi: Represented plaintiffs in multi-million dollar claim arising from the failure of TVIC, Inc., and the fraudulent sale of fractionalized interests in deeds of trust.

SIDLEY & AUSTIN, Los Angeles, CA (1989 - 1993)
Associate -- Civil Litigation

Interesting cases:

In re American Continental Corporation/Lincoln Savings & Loan Securities Litigation: Represented defendant, Arthur Andersen & Co., in securities fraud actions arising out of failure of American Continental Corporation and Lincoln Savings & Loan Association (Charles Keating).

IMCERA Group Inc. v. Affiliated FM Insurance Company, et al: (Trial) Represented plaintiff in environmental coverage action against comprehensive general liability insurance carriers.

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, Los Angeles County, CA
(1987 - 1989)
Deputy Public Defender II
Misdemeanor Trials, Felony Preliminary Hearings

SQUIRE, SANDERS & DEMPSEY, Cleveland, OH (1984 - 1987)
Associate--Civil Litigation and Public Finance

Interesting cases:

In re Alexander Grant Securities Litigation: Represented plaintiff, City of Toledo, in securities fraud action against accounting firm arising out of failure of E.S.M. Government Securities, Inc. in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Washington Public Power Supply System Cases (WPPSS): Co-wrote *amicus* brief to United States Supreme Court on behalf of Public Securities Association.

TEACHING

WHITTIER LAW SCHOOL, Los Angeles, CA
Instructor: 1995 - 1996: PR Practicum Skills

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
1993-1994: Political Science

COMMUNITY

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Attorney Achievement Award (1996-1997)

**BAR
ADMISSION**

Ohio (1984)
California (1987)

OTHER

Eagle Scout
Boy Scouts of America Greater Cleveland Council Summer Camp Staff
(1975-1980) Aquatic Director (1980)