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# TOWN OF PALM BEACH

APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON

## RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Please complete the application by typing or printing legibly in ink. Applications should be submitted to the Town Clerk (360 South County Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, via facsimile 561-838-5417, or via e-mail to [townclerk@townofpalmbeach.com](mailto:townclerk@townofpalmbeach.com)) no later than 5 p.m., 11 calendar days prior to the Town Council meeting in which the appointment will be considered. Completion of this application requires that applicant has reviewed certain Town documents as noted in this application. To review or obtain a copy of the documents please contact the Town Clerk's Office (561-838-5416). Please feel free to attach any additional background information to this application form.

Name: Kristen Schonwld-Vila Residence Address: 269 Queens Lane 33480

Mailing Address: 269 Queens Lane, 33480 Home Telephone: 917-548-4311

E-mail Address: kristen.schonwald@gmail.com Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a registered voter of the Town of Palm Beach KSV (please initial) KSV pgg

**Appointment to the Recreation Advisory Commission requires the applicant to be a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach. Please attach a copy of BOTH SIDES of your Voter Registration card with your application. Failure to provide the copy of the required voter registration card shall be grounds for rejection of the application.**

1. Why do you wish to be appointed as a member of the Recreation Advisory Commission? (Please use additional pages if necessary).  
See attached

2. Please identify how many meetings of the Recreation Advisory Commission you have attended in the past two (2) years.

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3. If you have served on any boards/commissions/committees in the Town of Palm Beach or elsewhere, please list them and include details such as length of service, attendance record, etc.  
Recreation Advisory Commission 3 years

4. Please indicate if there are any periods of time for which you will be unavailable for meetings.

N/A

5. Please describe your current and past involvement/participation in Town recreation programs and/or facilities.  
See attached

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6. Are you a member of any of the following organizations? (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce      | <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation Foundation of Palm Beach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Palm Beach Civic Association        | <input type="checkbox"/> North End Property Owners Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizens' Association of Palm Beach | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

7. Present occupation. Self Employed No. of years. \_\_\_\_\_

Employer. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Past occupation(s). \_\_\_\_\_ No. of years. \_\_\_\_\_

Employer(s). \_\_\_\_\_

9. Please provide details regarding your educational background:

Bachelors degree New York University

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10. To enable Town Council to consider potential conflicts of interest, please provide the following information regarding family members who live and/or work in the Town of Palm Beach, including your spouse, parents, siblings or children.

Family Member Name	Relationship	Address	Occupation	Employer
Chis Vila	Spouse	269 Queens Lane	Principal	North Bar Hospitalit
Robert Vila	Father in Law	690 Island Dr.	TV Personality	Self employed
Diana Barrett	Mother in Law	690 Island Dr.	Founder	Fledgling Fund

11. Have you ever been convicted of a crime or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a crime other than minor traffic violations? no

12. If you are currently serving on a Town board, commission, or committee, please identify it in the space below and check the box that indicates you will resign from that position if you are appointed to the position you are seeking in this application.

I will resign from the Alternate member RAC if I am appointed to the position I am seeking in this application.  
 board/commission/committee

13. In the event you are applying to be a Regular Member of the Recreation Advisory Commission and you are not successful, will you accept appointment as an Alternate Member of the Commission should the Town Council wish to appoint you as an Alternate Member?  Yes  No

The following information is needed to facilitate Town reporting requirements in Florida Statute 760.80. Please check one in each category.

**RACE**

- African American                       Native American  
 Asian American                         Caucasian  
 Hispanic American                       Not known

**GENDER**

- Male  Female

**PHYSICALLY DISABLED**

- Yes  No

I hereby certify that I have read the sections of the Town Code of Ordinances for the particular board/commission/committee that I have selected above and have noted the description of the board/commission/committee and its members' duties, and further I have read the regulations concerning absences and conflicts of interests. I certify the information given by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any falsification of material facts will be grounds for rejection of this application or dismissal after appointment.

SIGNATURE: *R. Schomwald - Vila*

DATE: 4/3/20

**Please provide a copy of BOTH SIDES of your Palm Beach County Voter Registration card, which shows your Town of Palm Beach address, with your application.**

Please note that Board/Commission applications will expire on December 15 of each year.

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Recreation Advisory Commission consists of seven members serving three year terms, appointed by the Town Council. Members of the Commission shall possess a knowledge or interest in Town recreation programs and facilities. Each member of the Recreation Advisory Commission is required to be a registered voter in the Town. The Commission acts in an advisory capacity and shall make recommendations to the Town Council on matters relating to Town recreation programs and facilities. Preference is given to candidates who are enrolled or have their children enrolled in a Recreation Department program or are a regular participant or volunteer at a Town Recreation Department facility. Three alternate members may be appointed by the Town Council who shall serve when called upon by the Chair in the absence of any regular member.

The Recreation Advisory Commission meets six times per year on the first Wednesday in the months of January, March, May, September, and November. Meetings begin at 9:00 a.m. and are held in the Town Council Chambers located on the second floor of Town Hall at 360 South County Road, Palm Beach, Florida.

Why do you wish to be appointed as a member of the Recreation Advisory Commission? (Please use additional pages if necessary).

I have been on the Recreation Advisory Commission for three years and would like to apply for a voting position. It has been a great honor to serve the Town of Palm Beach and I hope to continue with this public service. The Recreation Advisory Commission is particularly meaningful to me as I have a young family and we all use the facilities.

Over the past year it has been wonderful to watch the new Mandel Recreation Center come to life as island residents have filled the rooms and used the facilities. I am incredibly excited and optimistic about how the Recreation Department can further serve our community and enhance our offerings to a wider audience. From discussing programming, marketing, fee structures, and more there is a lot that can be done to support the staff and I am excited to help them tackle the challenges that come with running world-class facilities.

Please describe your current and past involvement/participation in Town recreation programs and/or facilities.

Through out the past three years I have participated in town programs ranging from playing for the Seaview Tennis Team open division to working out in the new Mandel Recreation Center gym. My eldest daughter takes lessons at the Par 3 course and my younger two children have participated in the soccer and basketball programs at The Mandel Recreation Center. Our family is a fixture at the playground after school and we love cheering on the athletes at the Oakley Debbs field. Whether we are testing out the slides at the playground or hitting balls on the driving range we are always making the most of where we live.