

# Online Advisory Board Application: Submission #7

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## Date of Application:

2024-11-26

Your Name:

### Last Name

WOODWORTH

### First Name

DOUGLAS

### Middle Name

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Address:

### Number and Street

908 N. Barfield Drive

### Apt. Number

{Empty}

### City

Marco Island

### State

FL

### Zip

34145

Phone Numbers:

### Home

{Empty}

### Cell

312 961-9586

### Business

{Empty}

## Email Address

[douglaswoodworth@comcast.net](mailto:douglaswoodworth@comcast.net)

## Board or Committee

Waterways Committee

Background

## How long have you lived on Marco Island?

5-10 Years

## Are you a year-round resident?

Yes

## Are you a qualified elector of the City?

Yes

## Have you ever been convicted or found guilty of a criminal offense (any level felony or first degree misdemeanor only)?

No

**Would you (or any organizations with which you are affiliated) potentially benefit on a personal level from decisions or recommendations made by this board?**

No

**Do you currently hold public office?**

No

**Do you now serve, or have you ever served on a Collier County or City of Marco Island board or committee?**

Yes

Qualifications

**Please list your community activities and positions held (Example: Civic clubs, neighborhood associations, etc.):**

I previously served on the Waterways Advisory Committee from July, 2018 to November, 2020, and as Chairman from February, 2019 to the end of my term. I also served on the Marco Audit Advisory Committee from February, 2020 to November, 2020. I am also one of the founding members of Clean Marco Waters, LLC, a citizens advocacy group dedicated to improving water quality on Marco Island.

**Why do you want to serve on a committee?**

I am passionate about improving the water quality in our canal system and would like to be part of a valuable resource to City Staff and City Council.

**What issues do you think should be addressed by this committee?**

I fully support the Mission Statement of the Waterways Committee : "The Waterways Advisory Committee is charged with identifying short and long-term issues that impact water quality, safe boating and navigation, and seawalls and docks, evaluating potential solutions and recommending policy and practices to City staff for administrative or Council action. "

**Resume**

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**Douglas R. “Rick” Woodworth**  
**Background and Experience Profile**

I previously lived in suburban Chicago for my entire working career. I bought a home in Marco Island in 2016 and moved here full time with my wife Valerie in 2017.

I became interested in water quality on Marco and was appointed to the Marco Island City Council Waterways Advisory Committee (WAC) in July, 2018 and appointed Chairman from February, 2019 to November, 2020. I was also appointed to the Marco Island Audit Advisory Committee in February, 2020.

During my tenure as Chairman, the WAC sent many recommendations to City Council including supporting the choice and funding for the Environmental Research and Design (ERD) Water Quality report published in 2021.

I was also instrumental, though not through the WAC, in getting the local Magistrate to order Affordable Landscaping to use bolsters to cover canal drains while cutting and blowing grass down Collier Blvd. I am also one of the founding members of Clean Marco Water, LLC, a citizens advocacy group dedicated to improving water quality on Marco Island.

Prior to moving to Marco Island, I had over 45 years of real estate and business experience focused primarily on the development and management of large hi-rise residential buildings in the Chicago area. In addition to my real estate experience, I was involved as principal in a large furnished corporate apartments provider, a captive insurance company, a telecommunications company, and a variety of other retail businesses.

I was an avid sailor and boater and competed extensively in sailboat races on the Great Lakes, Florida and California and cruised in the Bahamas and Virgin Islands. I currently own a powerboat docked behind my home on one of Marco’s canals and cruise the waters of southwest Florida and the Florida Keys.