



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA

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June 2, 2026

Mayor Danise Henriquez
City of Key West
1300 White Street
Key West, FL 33040

RE: Reappointment to the Key West Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Dear Mayor Henriquez:

I am grateful for your consideration of my reappointment to the Board of Commissioners of the Key West Housing Authority. It is my intention to continue serving in the best interests of the KWH, the City of Key West, and the residents of both Key West and Monroe County.

The City Commission first appointed me to the KWH Board on January 20, 2005. Since that time, I have been honored to receive unanimous reappointments in 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018, and 2022. During my twenty-one years of volunteer service, I have had the privilege of working alongside dedicated commissioners and staff committed to providing and preserving affordable housing opportunities for our community.

During my most recent term, I had the opportunity to participate in the completion, ribbon-cutting, and resident occupancy of Garden View Apartments, a significant milestone for affordable housing in Key West. I have also had the privilege of leading the Poinciana Plaza 54-Unit Expansion Project and hope to remain on the Board to see the Lang Milian Redevelopment through to completion. These projects represent meaningful investments in our community and underscore the important role the Housing Authority plays in addressing local housing needs.

The work of the Housing Authority is critical to the future of Key West. We are entrusted with maintaining existing housing resources while creating new opportunities for individuals and families who call this community home. I take that responsibility seriously and remain committed to advancing the Authority's mission.

As a Certified Public Accountant with decades of professional experience, I have been able to contribute a financial and business perspective to the Board's deliberations. My background has allowed me to assist the Authority in making sound fiscal decisions while supporting long-term planning and organizational growth.

Throughout my career, I have remained actively involved in civic and community service. I have served as President of the Key West Chamber of Commerce, the Key West Rotary Club, the Florida Keys Chapter of the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the Key West Jaycees. I have also served as Chairman of the Florida Keys Community College Board of Trustees, the Trust for Public Land–Key West Bight Advisory Committee, and the Key West Military Affairs Committee. Currently, I serve as Chairman of the Poinciana Gardens Senior Living Complex Advisory Committee.

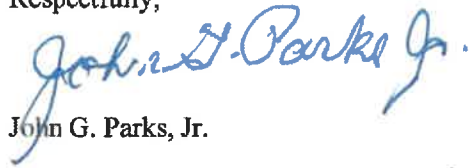


Under the leadership of Randy Sterling, the KWHA has entered an exciting new chapter. Randy and I have discussed numerous opportunities and goals for the future of the Authority—some modest and some ambitious—and I look forward to continuing to work with him, the Board of Commissioners, and our staff to advance those initiatives. Your support of my reappointment would allow me to continue contributing to those efforts and helping guide the Authority's future.

Please find my resume attached for your review. Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at 305-393-3191.

Thank you again for your consideration and continued support of the Key West Housing Authority.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John G. Parks, Jr." in a cursive style.

John G. Parks, Jr.

JOHN G. PARKS, JR., CPA

- Partner, Oropeza & Parks, Certified Public Accountants (retired)
- President, John G. Parks, Jr., CPA, P.A. (retired)

EXPERIENCE:

- Over fifty years in public accounting profession
- Partner in charge of various audit and management advisory services of clients in the governmental, not-for-profit and commercial industries
- Experience in all aspects of tax planning and preparation

PROFESSIONAL:

- Certified Public Accountant in State of Florida
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants- Lifetime Member
- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants- Lifetime Member
- Florida Keys Chapter of Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants – Past President
- Board of Governors, Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Various Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants committees
- First Federal of Florida Keys – Board of Directors
- Barnett Bank of Keys – Board of Directors
- Nation's Bank – Advisory Board Dade and Monroe Counties
- TIB Bank of the Keys – Board of Directors & Audit Committee Chairman

EDUCATION:

- University of Florida, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, major in Accounting
- Continuing professional education required by firm policy to include governmental audit and accounting courses

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY:

- Greater Key West Chamber of Commerce – Past President, Executive Committee, Chairman TDC Advisory Committee and Chairman Education Committee/Founder of Education Committee, Leadership Conference & Hall of Fame Honoree
- Key West Jaycees, Past President
- US Jaycees Senator
- Key West Rotary Club, President, Vice President, Treasurer & Hall of Fame Honoree
- Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
- Military Affairs Committee – Past Chairman
- American Power Board Race Association – Member and racer
- Conch Republic Offshore Power Board Association Member
- Tennessee Williams Fine Arts Center Founders Society – Past Director
- Job Service Employer Committee – Board of Directors
- Trust for Public Land, Key West Bight Advisory Committee – Chairman – Purchase of Key West Bight Research and Recommendation to the City of Key West
- Key West Police League – Founding Director
- Florida Keys Community College – Board of Trustees – Past Chairman & Trustee
- American Red Cross – Florida Keys Chapter, Director
- Performing Arts Centers of Key West – Director

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY (CONTINUED):

- Leadership Monroe County Class IV and member of Board of Directors
- Monroe County Housing Finance Authority, Director
- American Red Cross – Humanitarian of Year Committee – Dade – Monroe Chapter
- Wesley House – Capital Campaign Committee
- Leadership Monroe County Class IV Graduate & Board of Directors
- City of Key West – Tourist and Economic Development Committee
- Key West Housing Authority – Commissioner, Chairman
- Frank P. Toppino Poinciana Gardens Senior Living Complex – Chairman
- Wesley House Foundation – Board Member
- Basilica of St. Mary Star of the Sea – Finance Committee
- Basilica of St. Mary Star of the Sea – Usher
- Sculpture Garden Committee – Board Member

PARTIAL LIST OF AWARDS:

Greater Key West Chamber of Commerce

- William “Billy” Appelrouth Memorial Award 1988 and 1989
- Hall of Fame – 1997

Piece of the Rock

- In recognition of significant contribution to the Key West Community – 1989, 1992 and 1993.

Florida Jaycees

- Henry A. Colonia Memorial Award – Outstanding Service
- Isadore Weintraub Memorial Award – Outstanding Past President.

Key West Jaycees

- Selected for Jaycees International Senate
- All awards presented by club.

Sunrise Rotary

- Business Person of the Year – 1995

Key West Hotel and Motel Association

- Margo Golan Award

Florida Keys Community College

- Recognition for dedication and leadership

Key West Rotary Club

- Hall of Fame
- Legend
- Paul Harris Award
- Us Army Veteran