## Cast your vote on February 13!

On Tuesday, February 13, 2024, the Association of Poinciana Villages (APV) will hold 2024 elections for open seats on the Village 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Boards. Voting will take place at the APV Community Center at 445 Marigold Avenue and polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. As you may know as a resident of this community, APV consists of 8 villages and each one has 5 homeowners that represent that village. This is called the lower board. On February 13, 2024, you have the opportunity to vote for homeowners to be part of the lower board for the village in which you own a home or property.

In order to cast your vote, you must be the person named on the deed. If there is more than one owner, it is still only one vote per property, NOT per owner. You will also need to have a government-issued ID. Voting is open to all APV home and property owners, but you may only vote in villages where your home is located.

When you come to the polls, you will see a place for each village that has open seats. Go to the one that is marked with your village. Have your ID ready and the pollster will check the ID with the county database. If you do not have a valid ID, then you will not be able to vote. There are no exceptions. Once the pollster has checked your ID, you will receive a ballot for each property you own. Then, you will mark your ballot and place it in the locked polling box.

If you own more than one property, each in a different village, you will receive a ballot for each village. You will be given one ballot for each property that you own. For example, 3 properties equal 3 total votes. If you represent a company that owns property in a village, please make sure your company designated you as its voter. This designation must be on file with APV at the time you vote.

Here is a breakdown of the open seats by village:

- Village 1 − 5
- Village 2 − 1
- Village 3 − 3
- Village 5 − 1
- Village 6 5
- Village 7 − 4
- Village 8 − 2

"Voting in our elections is an important part of being a homeowner in Poinciana," said Mark Maldonado, LCAM and General Manager. "The decisions made by the boards in each village directly impact homeowners in those villages for the next year and beyond. We've made the voting process as simple and accessible as possible so that everyone who wants to cast a vote can."

It is incredibly important for everyone in Poinciana to cast their vote, as the homeowners who serve on these boards help make important decisions for the entire community. APV is run by a Master Board,

<sup>\*</sup> Village 9 holds and pays for its own elections each year.

which consists of <mark>8</mark> members (the presidents of each of the <mark>8</mark> villages). This Master Board votes on several issues impacting our villages, including improvements, partnerships, events and activities, and new additions to APV. Although the daily management of the Association is handled by FirstService Residential, they work for the Board of Directors and follow their direction.

The board roles are strictly voluntary positions and are unpaid. If you are interested in running for an open seat next year, be on the lookout for details in November.

## What Happens After Voting Has Closed

Members of the Association of Poinciana Villages can silently witness the counting of the votes. At no time during the counting of the votes will the gallery be allowed to speak. This is strictly enforced.

Immediately following the vote count, the winners in each Village will be notified by phone or email that they are expected to attend their Village Board meeting the next morning, February 14, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. At the Village Board meeting, each individual village will choose officers for their village. The positions are President, Vice President, and Secretary /Treasurer. The President of each Village board will then represent that Village on the APV Master Board.

The first APV Master Board meeting of 2024 will be held on the same day. The meeting will be at the Poinciana Community Center located at 445 Marigold Avenue at 9:00 a.m.

All voting information is posted on our website at <a href="www.apvcommunity.com">www.apvcommunity.com</a>. We hope to see you at the polls on February 13!