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## Application For Appointment/Reappointment - Submission #23391

Date Submitted: 12/14/2024

Name of Board or Boards for which you are applying:\*

Fort Pierce Utilities Authority Board

Name:\*

IVEL Sierra

Home Address:\*

4407 BELLE GROVE DRIVE

City:\*

Fort Pierce

State:\*

FL

Zip:\*

34981

How long at this address?\*

7 Years

Telephone Number\*

7729794565

If less than two years, provide prior address:

4407 Belle Grove Drive

Are you a citizen of the United States? \*

Yes

No

Occupation: \*

Business Owner and Landlord

**Employer:\***

Self

**Do you own a business that operates within the City of Fort Pierce?\***



Yes



No

**If yes, list the address and nature of said business:**

402 S. 5th St. Fort Pierce, FL Restaurant and Shipping

**Do you now or in the future plan to do business with the City of Fort Pierce or the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority(FPUA)?\***



Yes



No

**If yes, in which organization and in what capacity?**

Fort Pierce

**Are you employed by a business that is located within the City of Fort Pierce?\***



Yes



No

**If yes, state the business and location:**

Mervis' Cafe' and Grille & United States Postal Service Downtown CPU

**Do you have special training or knowledge in the area of:**

**Engineering:\***

Yes

No

**Architecture:\***

Yes

No

**Real Estate Brokering:\***

Yes

No

**Finance/Accounting:**

Yes

No

**Contracting:\***

Yes

No

**Land Development:\***

Yes

No

**Utilities:**

Yes

No

**Management:\***

Yes

No

**Describe your professional background and what expertise you will bring to this Board. (Attach your resume or other applicable information below if desired) \***

I have been a Business Owner in the City of Fort Pierce for the past 16 years. I have also been a landlord in the City for the past 7 years. I have been living as a full time resident in the city and been part of this community for over 18 years. I have been a Business supervisor or manager since graduating from college with over 27 years of experience. I have been a member of Fort Pierce Utility Authority Advisory Committee for over a year and i have participated in other community organizations and events. Being a resident and business owner for so long in this community I have always been involved in some way, such as coaching kids in our city or being actively involved in my children's schools. I have been a part of this City's growth in a positive way for many years and want to continue to be a part of positive things to come.

**Are you currently a member of a Commission-appointed board/committee?\***

Yes

No

**If yes, please specify:**

Fort Pierce Utility Authority Advisory Committee

**Have you ever been convicted of a felony?\***

Yes

No

**If yes, what was the nature of the crime(s) you were convicted of:**

**If appointed, are you willing to attend a training session which could last several hours?\***

Yes

No

**Referred by:\***

**Applicant Email Address:\***

**Date:\***

**Applicant's Signature:\***

APPLICATIONS EXPIRE 6 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF SUBMISSION. PLEASE REAPPLY AS OFTEN AS DESIRED.

For additional information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 772.467.3065 or email [lcox@cityoffortpierce.com](mailto:lcox@cityoffortpierce.com).

**Upload Resume (Optional)**

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# IVEL SIERRA

**BUSINESS OWNER & FPUA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER**

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Seasoned Business Owner/Operator at Mervis' Cafe & Grille and USPS Downtown Contract Unit since 2008, adept in operations management and exceptional customer service. Demonstrated success in personnel leadership and inventory control, enhancing vendor relations and client satisfaction. Proven track record in elevating business performance through strategic decision-making and meticulous attention to detail. Willing to serve as a Community Amassador.

## EXPERIENCE

### **Business Owner/Operator**

April 2008 - Present Mervis' Cafe & Grille and USPS Downtown Contract Unit, FORT PIERCE, FL

- Managed all aspects of the daily operations including personnel, inventory control, marketing, budgeting, pricing.
- Provided friendly and engaging customer service to internal and external customers.
- Developed and maintained relationships with clients and suppliers
- Provided leadership, direction, and guidance to staff members
- Hired skilled personnel to handle challenges and obligations of business.

## EDUCATION

### **Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Business Administration**

May 1997

University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL, US

## CERTIFICATIONS

- Servsafe Manager Certification

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

### **Committee Member**

## CONTACT

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## SKILLS

- Inventory control
- Operations management
- Personnel management
- Attention to detail
- Customer service
- Vendor relationship management
- Employee training

## LANGUAGES

- **Spanish**  
Bilingual

June 2023 - Present Fort Pierce Utility Advisory Committee, Fort Pierce, Florida

- Continuous learning of all aspects of FPUA, such as Wastewater, New Plant Construction Updates, Fpuanet, How to read a FPUA bill, Sunshine Law Training
- Helped create a Mission Statement for the FPUA Advisory Committee
- As an Ambassador, Attended Back to School Backpack Event
- Helped Create and Attended The First Annual FPUA Youth Career Event
- Participated actively in discussions, offering constructive feedback when appropriate.

## **AWARDS**

- 2022 St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce Business and Industry Award for Mervis' Cafe for Best Food and Beverage
- 2018 St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce Business and Industry Appreciation Award for Mervis' Cafe' Food and Beverage

## **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce Member