

## Dennis Barclay

### Candidate statement

My campaign theme is Keep St. James on the Right Track. I believe that St. James is indeed on the right track as the long boom period for the community is about to end with the approach of full build-out. The Town's finances are in great shape, taxes are low, and the Town continues to initiate and complete projects that benefit residents. For example, a project in partnership with Brunswick County to boost water pressure in St. James is scheduled to bring relief in the first half of next year.

I have an excellent working relationship with Mayor Toner, other Council members, and the Town staff.

My primary role on the Council is to prepare a comprehensive plan for the Town of St. James. The plan will be completed later this year. Writing the comprehensive plan is a perfect way to get to know how the Town operates, the issues it faces, and the concerns of residents.

- I also wrote the resident survey that was distributed in July.
- I worked on three previous plans, in 2014, 2017, and as chairman of the committee, in 2021.

The Council agrees with my goal to better establish the Town's identity. The first step is the launch of a monthly newsletter, Town of St. James News and Notes, that began publication in the summer.

While St. James is in a good situation, there is always room for improvement, and challenges lie ahead. A major project that will soon begin construction is St. James Center, a mixed-use development of 140 acres behind and beside the Town Hall and Event Center. The parcel likely will be annexed by the Town, which will be responsible for overseeing the development.

# DENNIS BARCLAY

Incumbent and candidate for St. James Town Council

## ❖ Education

- BA Economics, University of Illinois, 1965
- MA Economics, University of Colorado, 1973

## ❖ Employment History

- CENTRA Technology, 2003-2008
  - Performed various intelligence community tasks
- Central Intelligence Agency, 1973-2003
  - Drew from all-source intelligence to produce finished intelligence for senior US officials
  - Worked on former Soviet Union, all East European countries, and Balkans
  - As senior analyst, managed and mentored junior analysts
  - Established and managed task force to implement new initiative
- Teaching Assistant. University of Colorado, 1972-73
- US Army, 1969-71
  - Served with Americal Division, Chu Lai, Vietnam

## ❖ St. James Town Council

- Named to fill vacancies, 2020 and 2024
- Comprehensive plans
  - Writing Town comprehensive plan to be completed late 2025
  - Worked on three previous plans, including chair of committee in 2021
- Promote St. James identity
  - Proposed monthly newsletter, St. James News and Notes

## ❖ Volunteer work

- Member of BEMC Advisory Council
- Coached The First Tee, 2005-2015
- Member of St. James Golf Handicap Committee, 2011-2020