

DATE: 02/16/2021

TO: City Clerk

FROM: City Representative Claudia L. Rodriguez, District 6

ADDRESS: 300 N. Campbell TELEPHONE (915) 212-0006

Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT XXX REGULAR _____

Agenda for the Council Meeting of February 16, 2021

Appointment of Phillip Thomas Laign to the City Accessibility Advisory Committee by City

Item should read as follows: Representative Claudia L. Rodriguez, District 6

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: City Accessibility Advisory Committee

NOMINATED BY: City Representative Claudia L. Rodriguez DISTRICT: 6

NAME OF APPOINTEE Phillip Thomas Laign
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

E-MAIL ADDRESS: N/A

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: N/A

CITY: N/A ST: Tx ZIP: N/A PHONE: N/A

DOES THE PROPOSED APPOINTEE HAVE A RELATIVE WORKING FOR THE CITY? YES: _____ NO X

IF SO, PLEASE PROVIDE HIS OR HER NAME, CITY POSITION AND RELATIONSHIP TO THE PROPOSED APPOINTEE:

HAS APPOINTEE BEEN A MEMBER OF OTHER CITY BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES? IF SO, PLEASE PROVIDE NAMES AND DATES: _____

LIST ALL REAL ESTATE OWNED BY APPOINTEE IN EL PASO COUNTY (BY ADDRESS): N/A

WHO WAS THE LAST PERSON TO HAVE HELD THIS POSITION BEFORE IT BECAME VACANT?

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Mary Castillo

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 09/28/2019

REASON PERSON IS NO LONGER IN OFFICE (CHECK ONE): TERM EXPIRED: X
RESIGNED _____
REMOVED _____

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 02/16/2021

TERM BEGINS ON : 02/16/2021

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 09/28/2021

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1st TERM: X

2nd TERM: _____

UNEXPIRED TERM: _____

PHILLIP THOMAS LAIGN,

Service Objective

To help people with disabilities to achieve the American Dream through work and a meaningful quality of life. .

Education

Teacher Certification, 1991 | University of Texas El Paso

3.75 Teacher preparation program with a focus on special education

BS, Theology, 1987 | Ambassador University-Pasadena California

3.648 Ministerial preparation program with a minor in Business Management

Experience

The Arc of El Paso

President | 1/2020 to present

Led the board through Strategic Planning Process and procurement of donated space for the Social Drop-in Center.

Vice President | 3/2018 to 12/2019

Contributed to discussions and decision making for the board. Authored successful grant to secure funding for strategic plan.

Blue Sky El Paso

Director | 1/2018 to present

Facilitate and provide employment services to customers referred by Texas Workforce Solutions Vocational Rehabilitation Services.

Socorro Independent School District Special Education Department

Transition Services | 7/2003 to 12/2017

Facilitate transition planning for district students, maintain relationships with external agency partners, monitor compliance on State Performance Plan Indicator 13.

Americas High School

Special Education Teacher | 7/1999 to 7/2003

Provide classroom instruction to students with intellectual and developmental disabilities who received special education services.

Salvador H. Sanchez Middle School

Special Education Teacher | 8/1990 to 7/1999

Provide classroom instruction to students with learning disabilities who received special education services.

Awards and Accomplishments

Special Education Teacher of the Year/Texas Council of Administrators for Special Education

January 2008. For outstanding performance as a special education teacher in Texas.

Presentations and Non-Profit Board of Director Service

2020 to present-President The Arc of El Paso

2019 to 2020-Treasurer Texas DCDT

2018 to 2019-Vice President The Arc of El Paso

2017 Presentation Texas Transition Conference-Houston

2015 Presentation Texas Transition Conference-Dallas

2015 Past President-Texas Division on Career Development and Transition

2014 President-Texas Division on Career Development and Transition

2013 President Elect-Texas Division on Career Development and Transition

2012 Vice- President-Texas Division on Career Development and Transition

2012-2014 Presentation Texas Transition Conference-Austin

2010 Presentation Texas Transition Conference-Houston

2010 Presentation Texas Council Administrators Special Education Mid-Winter Conference-Fort Worth

2008 Presentation Texas Transition Conference-Austin