



Board Appointment Form

City Clerk's Office

Appointing Office	Representative Josh Acevedo, District 2
Agenda Placement	Consent
Date of Council Meeting	07/02/24
Name of Board	Women's Rights Commission
Agenda Posting Language	
Re-appointment of Marina Monsisvais to the Women's Rights Commission by Representative Josh Acevedo, District 2	
Appointment Type	Regular
Member Qualifications	
<p>Ms. Monsisvais is a District 2 resident with experience in issues affecting women in the nonprofit and business sector. Additionally, Ms. Monsisvais holds interest in the needs and issues of women in the El Paso region. She has done volunteer work in many non-profit organizations and empowering women. As a business owner Ms. Monsisvais understands the needs and inequities that may confront women in various pursuits.</p>	
Nominee Name	Marina Monsisvais
Nominee Email Address	[REDACTED]
Nominee Residential Address	[REDACTED]
Nominee Primary Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Residing District	District 2
City Employed Relatives	N/A
Board Membership	
Yes: Public Art Committee 2009 and CDBG 2018	
Real estate owned in El Paso County	
[REDACTED]	
Previous Appointee	Marina Monsisvais
Reason for Vacancy	Term Expired
Date of Appointment	07/02/24
Term Begins On	09/01/24
Term Expires On	08/31/26
Term	Second Term

EXPERIENCED COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING PROFESSIONAL

"Delivering a Passion for Culture, Communications and Marketing in my Community"

RESULTS-DRIVEN LEADER with well-rounded culture, communications, marketing, and managerial experience. Work closely with a team of talented professionals to conceptualize, develop, and implement promotions using innovative and effective strategies. Extensive knowledge and experience in all aspects of mass media including social, web, print, radio, and television. Quick thinker with extensive background in public relations, copywriting and event coordination. Ability to meet fiscal and deadline commitments. Demonstrated team player with administrative experience (timelines, budgets, schedules, etc.). Well connected to music, arts, non-profit, and business communities. Civic-minded individual with strong networking skills. Energetic, positive, and decisive leader who is bilingual and possesses strong community relationships.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and CEO Barracuda PR

06/10-Present
El Paso, TX

- Lead public outreach efforts for several transformational projects in El Paso, TX.
- Manage a team of talented communications professionals.
- Handle social media efforts for several non-profits and businesses (Facebook, Twitter, You Tube, etc).
- Conceptualize and execute client-specific promotions utilizing our strong media relationships.
- Develop and execute Public Relations strategies for clients and special events.
- Conceptualize and execute special events such as ground-breaking ceremonies, press conferences, fund-raisers, etc.
- Develop and send out press releases and story pitches on behalf of our clients to local and regional media.
- Develop mutually beneficial community partnerships.
- Produce copy for web, print materials, advertising, internal communications, etc.
- Participate in brainstorming/strategic planning sessions for our clients.
- Handle coordination of commercial TV shoots (casting, securing locations, scheduling, over all logistics).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Program Coordinator University of Texas at El Paso

01/08-06/10
El Paso, TX

- Manage Student Programs (Cinema Novo Independent Film Series, Wednesday Music Café, Union Art Gallery)
- Mentor three student coordinators and budgets for all student programs (all programs are "learning" programs).
- Public Relations and Media Buyer for Student Programs as well as events at Don Haskins Center, Magoffin Auditorium, Sun Bowl Stadium (Britney Spears, Kiss, Jay-Z, AC/DC, Shakira, Cirque Du Soleil).
- Develop social media efforts for UTEP Special Events, Cinema Novo, and Union Art Gallery.
- Work with other University Departments to coordinate special events (Minerpalooza, Homecoming, Tournées Film Festival, Redefining Walls Exhibition, The Disappeared, and Bhutan Days).
- Game Day Manager for all UTEP Women's Basketball home games (checks in officials, customer relations, manage game day activities, coordinate with security, etc).
- Handle special needs for UTEP Football season (credentials, game day passes, parking passes, game day signage, etc).
- Secure corporate sponsorship for development of student programs (Cricket Communications, What's Up Weekly)
- Write and manage grants for Student Programs (secured largest grant in history of Cinema Novo for 2009/2010 cycle)
- Be aware of the interests of our student body to provide quality of life programming that is relevant and important to them in order to book films, music and artists that resonate with UTEP's student population (We Will Rock You Music Film Series, Sleepercar Wednesday Music Café Afterhours show, All Hallow's Eve Grind).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Field Marketing Manager
Red Bull North America
Full Time 40+ hours weekly

06/06-07/07
El Paso/West TX

- Manage mobile energy programs in West Texas and Las Cruces, NM to ensure quality sampling.
 - Build belief in brand by personalizing it for college students (ex: Terry Adams at TTU, supported events at UTEP, KRUXfest at NMSU).
 - Build and maintain positive relationships with key opinion leaders in community/scenes.
 - Create unique Red Bull experiences for niche markets while incorporating art/culture (ex: Art of the Can at Adair Margo Gallery, Bboy Academics, Manny Mania, Illume at NMSU, Fandango movie screening at San Elizario square).
 - Bring brand image to life in on premise accounts (ex: Moto GP viewing parties at accounts, Ghost Recon tournament at Ft.Bliss).
 - Create yearly business plans and budgets for El Paso and West Texas Markets.
 - Identify and participate in existing events by creating and providing tailor made solutions to enhance the occasion (ice sculpture and floating screen at Amigo Airsho reception, soccer warm-up areas at Sun Bowl Soccer Tournament, etc)
 - Work with local media to attain coverage of local activations.
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Promotions Director/On-Air Talent
Entravision Communications
Full Time 40+ hours weekly

07/02-07/05
El Paso, TX

- Served as mid-day host of #2 rated radio show in El Paso.
 - Conceptualized, produced, and hosted "Stepping Out," a radio show with a focus on local music scene as well as independent music/film.
 - Work closely with local colleges, UTEP, NMSU, and EPCC, to develop and establish relationships with local student population. Ex: Border Music Fest at UTEP, career days at EPCC, concert promos at NMSU
 - Developed on-premise promotions with local bars and restaurants. Ex: "Show us Your Cans," Speaking Rock B of B, "Beastie Bar-Mistvah," etc.
 - Oversee promotions staff, direct promotion programs that combine advertising with purchase incentives to increase sales and public image. Conceptualize, script, and implement all station promotions for radio, television, and print advertisements.
 - Build and maintain positive relationships with public and private sectors. Establish and maintain cooperative relationships with representatives of community, consumer, employee, and public interest groups, as well as media.
 - Promotions Director for KHRO, KOFX, and KYSE. Managed staff and budgets for all three stations.
 - Improved quality of life for young El Pasoans by promoting over 32 sold out concerts in our market. Devised creative promotions for each and every concert.
 - Actively participated in developing events relevant to niche groups with Red Bull such as Red Bull Rockjam at Hueco Tanks, "Sonic Boom" at the Rescue Mission Silo.
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EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in Journalism and Mass Communications
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY
(Emphasis in Photojournalism)

2000
Las Cruces, NM

Masters in Business Administration
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO

2020
El Paso, TX

Bilingual-written and verbal skills in Spanish

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 2002 MUJER Festival organizer
- 2005 Member, Leadership El Paso Class 27
- 2006 Member, El Paso Creative Class Leadership Program (Richard Florida)
- 2006-Present Volunteer, FEMAP Foundation
- 2006-2014 Member, Executive Forum
- 2006-Present Curriculum Officer, Leadership El Paso
- 2008 Board President, Border Art Residency (La Union, NM)
- 2009-2012 Appointee, Cultural Affairs Advisory Board for City of El Paso Museums and Cultural Affairs Department
- 2008-2012 Member, Center Against Family Violence Board of Directors (Chair Elect 2012)
- 2009-2019 Chair, Chalk The Block Committee
- 2011-2012 Member, Governing Board of Directors, Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce
- 2012 Chair of Leadership El Paso 2012, Member, Executive Board of Directors, Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce
- 2012 Chair of City of El Paso Public Art Committee
- 2012 Chair of CAFV Board of Directors
- 2015-Present Board Member, YWCA Paso Del Norte
- 2015-2018 Board Member, Chair of Communications Committee, Paso Del Norte Health Foundation
- 2015-2017 Founding Board Member, Fundacion Paso Del Norte (Cd. Juarez)
- 2015-Present Host, State of the Arts, KTEP 88.5 FM
- 2017-Present Board Member, Center Against Sexual and Family Violence Foundation
- 2018-Present Board Member, Pioneers 21
- 2017-Present Board Member, YWCA
- 2019-Present Board Member, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas
- 2019-Present Board Member, The Hospitals of Providence
- 2024-Chair, The Hospitals of Providence
- 2023-Present Director, Texas Lyceum
- 2023-Present Board Member, El Paso Chamber of Commerce
- 2024-Present Board Member, Executive Forum