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Objective

Landscape Architect with 14 years of experience in landscape design, sustainability, and community engagement. Passionate about enhancing green spaces and recreational areas within our local community. Eager to leverage my expertise and contribute to the strategic planning, improvement, and development of our city's parks as a member of the City of El Paso Park Board.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture, Texas Tech University, 2010

Volunteer Experience

- Scouts BSA Troops 82, 219, Pack 81, Outdoor Chair, 2022 – Present
- West Texas Urban Forestry Council, Treasurer, 2019 – Present
- Member of the Campus Improvement Team at Young women's steam academy, 2023–Present

Professional Experience

Principal Landscape Architect

Greenway Studio LLC., El Paso, TX, 2014 - Present

- Lead the design and implementation of numerous park projects, emphasizing sustainable practices and community involvement.
- Collaborate closely with City officials, community leaders, private citizens, institutions, and stakeholders to ensure park designs meet the needs and desires of residents.
- Manage project budgets, timelines, and resources effectively to deliver successful outcomes within project constraints.
- Advocate for green infrastructure initiatives and biodiversity conservation by implementing water harvesting techniques, utilizing native and adaptive plants, and incorporating point source irrigation.
- Conduct public outreach events and facilitated workshops to gather community input and foster a sense of ownership and cooperation in park projects.
- Oversee the construction phase, ensuring adherence to design specifications and quality standards.

Landscape Architect

Wright & Dalbin Architects, Inc., El Paso TX 2012 - 2014

- Contributed to the design and development of park master plans, site layouts, and planting designs.
- Conducted site analysis and feasibility studies to inform design decisions and maximize the ecological value of park landscapes.
- Utilized GIS mapping and modeling tools to assess site conditions and propose design solutions.

- Collaborated with interdisciplinary teams including architects, engineers, and planners to integrate various amenities and features into park designs.
- Created visual presentations and graphics to communicate design concepts effectively to diverse audiences.
- Attended public meetings, addressing concerns, and soliciting feedback on park projects to support community engagement efforts

Skills

- Expertise in landscape design and implementation
- Strong project management abilities
- Community engagement and outreach experience
- Excellent communication, presentation, and interpersonal skills
- Community engagement and outreach experience
- Sustainability and green infrastructure advocacy
- Familiarity with local zoning codes, land use policies, and regulatory frameworks related to park planning and development
- Fluent in Spanish and English

Certifications

- Registered Landscape Architect (RLA) [2922]
- Registered Landscape Irrigator (LI) [LI0019292]
- Texas Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor (TxCLIA)
- Council of New Urbanism (CNUA)
- EPA WaterSense Certified Professionals