

DATE: February 23, 2021

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Mayor Oscar Leeser

ADDRESS: 300 N. Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor TELEPHONE (915) 212-0021

Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT X REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda for the Council Meeting of March 2, 2021

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Laura Enriquez to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5

**BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM**

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5

NOMINATED BY: Oscar Leeser DISTRICT: Mayor

NAME OF APPOINTEE Laura Enriquez  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

E-MAIL ADDRESS: N/A

BUSINESS ADDRESS: N/A

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

HOME ADDRESS: N/A

CITY: N/A ST: TX ZIP: N/A PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**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):**

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: VACANT

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: \_\_\_\_\_

REASON PERSON IS NO LONGER IN OFFICE (CHECK ONE): TERM EXPIRED: \_\_\_\_\_

RESIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

REMOVED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 3/2/2021

TERM BEGINS ON : 3/2/2021

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 3/2/2023

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1<sup>st</sup> TERM: X

2<sup>nd</sup> TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

UNEXPIRED TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

**LAURA M. ENRIQUEZ  
B.A., J.D.  
BOARD CERTIFIED  
PERSONAL INJURY TRIAL LAW,  
TEXAS BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION**

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- 1988 High School Degree  
Laura Montalvo (maiden name)  
John F. Kennedy  
San Antonio, Texas
- 1992 University of Texas at Austin  
B.A.
- 1996 Baylor University School of Law, Doctor of Jurisprudence  
Order of Barristers, Top Ten Speaker  
Legal Intern for the Honorable Bob L. Thomas, Chief Judge  
Tenth Court of Appeals

## AWARDS/ACTIVITIES/PROFESSIONAL

Board Certified, Personal Injury Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization, only Female practicing on the defense in El Paso, Texas

Named Outstanding Lawyer in 2011 by the El Paso Bar Association

Named Outstanding Lawyer in 2017 by the Mexican American Bar Association of El Paso

Named Outstanding Member in 2013 by the Mexican American Bar Association of El Paso

Best Lawyers in America 2020-21

Best Lawyers in America 2019-20

Best Lawyers in America 2018-19

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2020

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2019

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2018

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2017

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2016

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2015

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2014

Texas Super Lawyer, Texas Monthly 2013

Texas Super Lawyer, Rising Star, Personal Injury Defense 2009

Texas Super Lawyer, Rising Star, Medical Malpractice Defense 2006

Named Access to Justice Pro Bono Champion, Texas Bar Journal, December 2017

American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), Associate

President, El Paso Chapter American Board of Trial Advocates 2013-2014,

First and only Female President in the history of the organization of the most prestigious group of trial lawyers

El Paso Bar Association President 2014-2015

Mexican American Bar Association of El Paso, President 2013-2014

El Paso Times Judicial Endorsement Committee 2012, 2014 and 2016

President's Award, El Paso Bar Association, 2019

## **PRACTICE DESCRIPTION**

Licensed to Practice Law in Texas since 1996 and New Mexico since 1997

Trial lawyer with extensive trial experience in Texas and New Mexico courts with catastrophic injuries, including federal courts

Principal areas of practice include personal injury, premises liability, products liability, transportation litigation, construction litigation, workers' compensation, non-subscriber representation insurance, bad faith/extra-contractual litigation, civil rights litigation, professional liability and labor and employment

Former Assistant District Attorney with the 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial District in El Paso, Texas, West Texas H.I.D.T.A. Legal Initiative Attorney

## **NON-LEGAL ORGANIZATIONAL INVOLVEMENT**

Texas Lyceum Director 2012-2017, state-wide leadership organization

Texas Lyceum Executive Committee 2017

Texas Lyceum, Nominating Committee, 2013

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION AND LANGUAGES**

Married with 3 children, Daniela 18, Diego 16 and Lucas 12

Native Spanish speaker