



Board Appointment Form

City Clerk's Office

Appointing Office	Chris Canales, District 8
Agenda Placement	Consent
Date of Council Meeting	05/28/25
Name of Board	Greater El Paso Civic, Convention and Tourism Advisory Board
Agenda Posting Language	
Appointment of Kenneth "Ken" Gorski to the Greater El Paso Civic, Convention and Tourism Advisory Board by Representative Chris Canales, District 8.	
Appointment Type	Regular
Member Qualifications	
Please see resume.	
Nominee Name	Kenneth "Ken" Gorski
Nominee Email Address	
Nominee Residential Address	
Nominee Primary Phone Number	
Residing District	District 8
City Employed Relatives	N/A
Board Membership	
City Plan Commission (May 02, 2023 to May 01, 2025) Museums and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board (June 03, 2014 to October 01, 2021)	
Real estate owned in El Paso County	
Previous Appointee	Holly Cobb
Reason for Vacancy	Term Expired
Date of Appointment	05/28/25
Term Begins On	08/20/24
Term Expires On	05/27/26
Term	First Term



Registered Architect Emeritus– State of Texas No. 6477

Member Congress for New Urbanism, Urbanist member cnu-a

Board Member 2016 – THECB Austin, Tx - Field of Study Architecture Committee

Professor of Architecture –Tenured - El Paso Community College

Architecture District Wide Discipline Coordinator – El Paso Community College

Adjunct Prof. of Architecture – Texas Tech Univ. College of Architecture – El Paso

Memberships and supporter: National - El Paso - Regional Associations:

- **Chair–El Paso Museum & Cultural Affairs Advisory Board–EP 2014-2021**
- **Member El Paso Museum of Art - Supporter**
- **Member El Paso History Museum**
- **National. Board of Directors, CCCAP Comm Coll Degrees, Wash, DC 2011-17**
- **Architecture Design Review Committee - City of El Paso**
- **American Institute of Architects Emeritus**
- **Texas Society of Architects**
- **El Paso, Texas Chapter of the AIA**
- **ASTA American Society of Travel Agents**
- **Member AIA150 El Paso Chapter**
- **El Paso Solar Energy Association Member**
- **Member Architects without Borders**
- **Member Builders without Borders**
- **Architecture for Humanity**
- **Past PTA president (2 TermS) EPISD PTA (Morehead Middle School)**

- **Member City of El Paso Mayor’s Architect-Engineer Selection Committee**
- **Member City of El Paso City Plan Commission 2023-2025**
- **AKA Green Architecture – Paris Accord 2016 to..**
- **Member MCAB– PAC - Chair 2014-2021**
- **Supporter El Paso Opera**
- **Supporter El Paso Symphony**
- **Supporting Member Former El Paso Insights Museum**
- **Member Concordia Cemetery Association**
- **Member El Paso Tom Lea Society**
- **Music Under the Stars, Chamizal Nat’l Monument volunteer**
- **Explorica Tours, coordinator” Greek & Italian Arts & Arch Tour,” Su, 2015**
- **Member El Paso “Sheriff’s Citizens Advisory Board”**
- **Member Tom Lea Society**
- **Member Trost Historical Society El Paso**

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- **Member Franklin Mountains Wilderness Coalition**
- **Member El Paso Gem and Mineralogical Society**
- **Member – Natl. Assn. of Jewelry Appraisers 2024**
- **Commissioner – El Paso County Historical Commission 2016-18**
- **Member, BPAE Texas Comm. Colleges-Building Programs Archit. Education**
- **BPAE Spring 2016** – State Conference Representative in Tarrant Co., Tx
- **Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Member** – Texas Universities Bach. of Archit Degree Plan Implementation, Austin, Tx
- **Member Chihuahuan Desert Climate Collaborative member, El Paso, Tx 2025**

Educational background:

- **University of Kansas**, Lawrence, Ks Professorial Architecture Degree 1972
- **Lecturer Art/Archit Studies** Europe, Asia, Middle East, 2010-2018 summers
- **Educational Architectural studies** in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America.
- **Spanish Language** immersion courses in Zacatecas, Mexico – su. 2002, &2004, Morelia 2005, Oaxaca, and Mexico City, Mexico, winters 2006-2010.
- Winter art studies Jan. 2010- Mexico City, Oaxaca Mexico.
- **Faculty Lecturer** Australian Architecture Student studies -Turkey – Su 2011
- Faculty sponsor European Architectural Studies – Su 2009-2016
- **Wiley Publication review** “ Architectural History from a Global Perspective” & “Becoming Green: Integrating Sustainability into Art and Architectural Design”

Professional Involvement:

- **Adjunct Prof. Architecture**, Tx Tech Univ – College of Architecture – El Paso
- **Adjunct Faculty** – Engineering Design Graphics, Civil Engineering Dept. UTEP
- **Sabbatical – Middle Eastern-West Asian** academic sabbatical Fall 2011
- **Faculty rep and co-author US Dept of Energy** Solar Decathlon competition Joint venture epcc archit. students/utep dept. of engineering SD2013, US DOE Calif.
- **University of Texas at El Paso**, “Continuing education Courses”- lecturer

Qualifications: Tenured Professor Emeritus Architecture

- **Private Architectural Practice.** Professional experience in all phases of Architecture, consulting and construction; private firms in Kansas City, Mo.; experience with El Paso architectural firms. Commercial and multi-residential design projects; professional consulting services in Texas and NM
- **30 years of Academic college teaching experience in architecture, interior design, art and art history**
- **Architecture Discipline Coordinator** for EPCC
- **Recipient of Minnie Piper Stevens Professorship Award, EPCC Tx 2013-14**
- **Recipient – State of Texas - NISOD Professor Award, U T Austin, May 2014.**
- **Guest lecturer US Architectural history**, Beijing Univ. Archit School 2011
- **Juror-Critic - Design Architecture critique**, Univ. of Vienna, Austria Su. 2016
- **Private Artist Jewelry Design**, Gorski Gemology Associates
- Contributor **Casas por Cristo** Housing, Cd Juarez, Mx
- Contributor Mata Ortiz, Chih, Mx water distribution, electric power distribution. 05/01/2025

- **Southwest Institute**, Lecturer, licensed Interior Designer, Texas, 2003
- **Expert Witness** Architectural and Construction Cods and Laws Texas and NM.
- **Established** a joint articulation agreement between Texas Tech Univ - College of Architecture and El Paso Community College - implemented Aug. 2017 -2025 establishing a joint 4 year Bach. of Archit Degree in El Paso
- **Architectural tour dir: US & Australian architecture** studies Turkey, Su 2011
- **Grant faculty member co-author:** secure for EPCC thru dept. of education a \$5.9 million STEM grant to increase the no. of Hispanic licensed architects in Texas - awarded Sept. 2011.

Personal: **Travels and studies thru over 104 countries** with objective of *continued promotion of the "arts, architecture, Design education and cultural studies"*
Texas Architect **topic of the Jan/Feb issue", magazine bringing a 4 yr. Bachelors of Science in Architecture program to El Paso.

