DATE: January 19, 2010

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Emma Acosta

ADDRESS 2 Civic Center Plaza, El Paso, TX TELEPHONE (915)541-4572

Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT XX REGULAR ____

Agenda for the Council Meeting of January 26, 2010

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Larry Medina to the Ethics Review Commission as requested by Representative Emma Acosta, District 3.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: **Appointment to commence on February 21, 2010.**

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Ethics Review Commission

NOMINATED BY: Representative Emma Acosta DISTRICT: 3

NAME OF APPOINTEE Larry Medina
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: ____

CITY: ____ ST: ____ ZIP: ____ PHONE: ____

HOME ADDRESS: ____

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: 79997 PHONE: ____

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Yusuf Elias Farran

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 02/20/2010

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 01/26/2010

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 02/20/2012

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1st TERM: X
2nd TERM: ____
UNEXPIRED TERM: ____

Biographical Sketch
For
Larry M. Medina
(Issue: Clean In-door Air Public Ordinances aka Second-Hand Smoke Ordinances)

Larry M. Medina was born and raised in El Paso, Texas and is a United States Air Force Veteran. He attended both EPCC where he served as President of its Student Government and a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the University of Texas at El Paso-UTEP where his double major is in Economics and Finance.

Larry Medina is founder and President of Pan American Insurance & Investments with 14 branches throughout the county, President of Texas Safer Drivers Driving Schools, Inc., and Firm Administrator of the Reyes & Blumenfeld, PLLC Law Firm.

Over the past 27 years he has been active in civic organizations that include the El Paso Library Board Association, Jaycees, Viva El Paso Board, Rotary Club, Central District Civic Association, Downtown Development Association, Five Points Development Association, Boys & Girl Clubs, Knights of Columbus, past National Secretary for LULAC, and Founding Member of the El Paso/Juarez World Trade Center.

Larry Medina served as Commissioner to the Housing Authority of the City of El Paso (HACEP) appointed by Mayor John Cook first in June 2005 and then again in May 2007.

Larry Medina also served as City Council Representative six years (1997-2003) in El Paso's City Council. In 2001 his City Council colleagues elected him unanimously as Mayor Pro Tem until his end of his term in June 2003.

Larry Medina was El Paso County Commissioner on January 4th, 2006 appointed by El Paso County Judge Dolores Briones and served until November 20th, 2006.

As Mayor Pro Tem, Larry Medina served as Vice-Chair of the Mass Transit Board and in the Central Appraisal District Board. He served as Chairman of Economic Development, Chairman of the History Museum, Chairman of Public Works and Streets Legislative Review Committees and was a member of the Architectural Engineering Selection Committee, Community Development, Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Engineering, Parks and Recreation, Police, Tourism and Zoo Legislative Review Committees.

As the City of El Paso's Mayor Pro Tem, Larry Medina "championed" the nation's toughest and healthiest Clean In-door Air Public Ordinance, and as a result of his hard work the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society presented him with the "True Grit" award. This award is given to one elected official annually to honor him/her for taking extraordinary personal risks to impact public policy in support of cancer prevention, detection, or treatment.

Because of Commissioner Larry Medina's strong conviction that as an elected official it was his duty to protect innocent children, employees, and customers from the hazards of second-hand smoke, he has been invited to speak on this issue at many conferences in dozens of cities across the United States and abroad.

List of Events (Partial)

February 8, 2002: Spoke before the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society and awarded the "True Grit" Award in Houston, Texas.

February 14, 2002: Keynote speaker at the First Annual National Hispanic/Latino Conference on Tobacco Prevention and Control in Washington D.C.

June 21, 2002: Speaker at the Smoke-Free San Antonio, Texas Coalition training session in June 2002.

June 2002: Panelist on the "Public's Health and the Law in the 21st Century "Partnership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia;

July 8, 2002: Keynote speaker at the 9th Annual Tobacco Use Prevention Training Institute in Kansas City, Missouri.

August 2002: Panelist on the Hispanic/Latino Tobacco Control Expert Panel meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.

September 2002: Speaker at the Nebraska League of Municipalities Conference in Kearney, Nebraska.

October 2002: Speaker at the Nebraska 2002 Minority Health Conference.

December 11, 2002: Featured speaker at the Indiana Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana.

January 9, 2003: Keynote speaker at the Tobacco-Free Florida Partners Network Fifth Annual Educational Forum in Orlando, Florida.

January 23, 2003: As Mayor Pro Tem, Larry Medina was invited to be in attendance at a national press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. where he was honored by the American Medical Association's SmokeLess States National Tobacco Policy Initiative as a public official totally committed to strengthening clean indoor air laws and to protecting the public health.

CITY CLERK DEPT.
03 JUL -3 AM 11:25

February 8, 2003: Speaker at Houston SmokeFree Coalition training conference.

March 25, 2003: Guest speaker at the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce where he spoke to business leaders about his efforts in championing the passage of the non-smoking ordinance in El Paso.

May 5-6, 2003: Conference Speaker at the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Arkansas in North Little Rock, Arkansas

Mr. Medina also assisted in efforts to pass strong and comprehensive non-smoking ordinances in the New Mexico cities of Alamogordo, Albuquerque, Las Cruces, and Dona Ana County, and in Arkansas cities of Little Rock, North Little Rock and Fayetteville.

June 12-13, 2003: Addressed and met with the Mayor and City Council and coalition members in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

June 23, 2003: Larry Medina was presented with the Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights "Award of Excellence" for his successful efforts to protect employees and patrons from the health hazards of second-hand smoke.

June 25, 2003: Guest speaker at the American Medical Association's 2003 Annual Meeting of the SmokeLess States National Tobacco Policy Initiative held in Wilmington, Delaware.

August 21, 2003: Featured speaker at the Annual Conference of the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Vermont.

November 13, 2003: Addressed the Mayor and City Council of the City of Texarkana, Texas promoting a strong Clean Indoor Public Air municipal ordinance.

February 12, 2004: Speaker at Conference "Clearing the Air of Community of Colors" in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

April 7, 2004: Consulted and spoke to various groups and elected officials on Clean Indoor Air Ordinances in Cleveland, Ohio.

January 24, 2005: Speaker and panelist at the Tobacco Prevention Coalition's "Let's Clear the Air" Conference in Athens, Georgia.

March 22, 2005: Addressed the Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas.

June 2, 2006: Featured in film documentary on El Paso's experience and Larry Medina's role in passing one of the nation's toughest non-smoking ordinances.

June 27, 2006: Guest of the Center for Disease Control-CDC press conference with United State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health on the dangers of second-hand smoke.

CITY CLERK DEPT.
08 JUN -3 AM 11:25

March 13, 2007: Speaker before the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Business and Industry on the necessity of a state wide smoking law.

April 19, 2007: Speaker before the Texas Senate Committee on Health & Human Services supporting, advocating and lobbying for a state wide smoking law.

October 13, 2007: Speaker at the Second U.S. - Mexico Border Tobacco Policy Forum in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua Mexico

December 1-9, 2007: Invited by Ambassador Eleazar Benjamin Ruiz y Ávila and President of the Mexican Council Dr. Juan W. Zinzer to speak before the Mexican Council against Tobacco (Consejo Mexicano Contra el Tabaquismo AC) and the Mexico House of Representatives (Camara de Diputados). Lobbied key members of the Health Commission and held numerous national press conferences on the benefits of the whole country of Mexico going smoke-free.

Larry Medina believes, and wishes to convey to National, State and local public health leaders and practitioners, elected and appointed public policy makers, physicians and attorneys working in public health, researchers and educators in public health law, and all conference participants addressing tobacco issues, that as an elected official and now as a private citizen it was and still remains his duty to speak and passionately promote clean-indoor public air policies and the "killer" effects of second-hand smoke in an effort to try to persuade them to take a more active role in assisting and educating their communities to pass healthy, strong non-smoking ordinances all across America.

CITY CLERK DEPT.
08 JUL -3 AM 11:25