

DATE: 2/28/08

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Ann Morgan Lilly

ADDRESS 2 Civic Center Plaza, El Paso, Texas 79901 TELEPHONE 915-541-4151

Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT XXX REGULAR _____

Agenda for the Council Meeting of March 4, 2008

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Nicholas Perry Houser to the El Paso Museum of Archaeology Advisory Board by Representative Ann Morgan Lilly, District 1.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: El Paso Museum of Archaeology Advisory Board

NOMINATED BY: Representative Ann Morgan Lilly DISTRICT: 1

NAME OF APPOINTEE Nicholas Perry Houser
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 305 Texas Avenue @ Basset Tower

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: 79901 PHONE: 915-533-6448

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: New Board

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: _____

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

RESIGNED _____

REMOVED _____

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 03/04/2008

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 03/04/2010

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1st TERM: XX

2nd TERM: _____

UNEXPIRED TERM: _____

Resume - Nicholas P. Houser, MPH, MA, BA

June 15, 2007

Address:

(Residence) Southwest, Bassett Tower, 303 Texas Avenue, Suite 400, El Paso, Texas 79901; P.O. Box 220243, El Paso, Texas 79913. Telephone: (Res: (915) 533-3131. Email: 12travelers@sbcglobal.net) (Office) XII Travelers Memorial of the Southwest, Bassett Tower, 303 Texas Avenue, Suite 400, El Paso, Texas 79901; P.O. Box 220243, El Paso, Texas 79913. Telephone: (Res: (915) 533-3131. Email: 12travelers@sbcglobal.net) (Off) (915) 533-6448; Fax

Valid Drivers Lic. (Texas): US Citizen, Birthdate/place: 03/01/41, Rapid City. S. D.

Education:

MPH (Masters of Public Health), 1977, University of California, Berkeley.
MA (Masters in Anthropology), 1971, University of Arizona, Tucson.
BA (History/Sociology), 1963, Lewis & Clark College, Portland. Oregon.

Professional Organizations:

(1) El Paso County Historical Commission; (2) El Paso Heritage Tourism Committee, (3) Executive Board of the XII Travelers Memorial of the Southwest (non-profit corporation), (4) Executive Board of Machela O'ba (Northern Mexico Native American Tribal Coalition of Chihuahua, Mexico), and (5) Friends of Estebanico (USA & Morocco, joint organization to promote cultural relations between the two countries).

Skills/Experience:

Writing and research - cultural/historical programs, heritage tourism, historic preservation, public health, educational programs, economic development and website creation. Public relations, public speaking, fundraising/grants writing, program planning/evaluation/needs assessments. Supervised staff (community and health programs, USA, Ecuador).

Authored reports, articles, brochures, exhibits, books and website (editor). Community education (college, secondary schools, and community) and community development (empowerment).

Bilingual (Spanish/English) and cross-cultural skills – USA, Mexico, Ecuador, Paraguay and Morocco. Anthropological/historical investigations for Native American claims case research (Tonto Apache & Ysleta del Sur Pueblo). Historical/ethnographic research, oral history projects and museum/exhibits (curator). Research and text development for education programs and films (PBS, BBC & El Paso Gold). Experience with digital cameras and GIS system (see: publications/reports: Salida del los Santos, 2006-2003. See publications/maps).

Prepared comprehensive historical research bibliographies and chronologies, particularly of the greater El Paso region (upon request: 10-page list: "Research Bibliographies, Chronologies, & Special Indexes, prepared Feb. 2006, periodically revised). Have served as expert witness (with exhibits) in US Congress and State of Texas Legislature. Interned as health planning agency liaison to California State Legislature. Member of US Embassy Team (Ecuador).

Employment history:

- 1989-present Grants Writer, Tribal Archivist/Historian (part-time). Ysleta del Sur Pueblo (El Paso, Texas). Position has been on a part-time basis since March 2004 (funded by grants and the tribe).
- Since 2004, initiated Heritage Tourism and Historic Preservation program (developed an extensive website for this program). (Contact: see references).
- (Tribal Archivist/Historian/Anthropologist, 1989-2002) Produced numerous reports that were submitted to Indian Claims Commission, Docket No. 22-C. Helped Initiate and develop five volume published tribal archival series (2000-2004). Extensive anthropological/historical research on the Native Americans of the El Paso region. Fieldwork and archival investigations (Spanish documents).
- 2007 (Contract) Consultant (Feb-May, 2007) to Rio Grande River Park, Wayside Exhibit for Groundwork El Paso, involving National Park Service, City of El Paso, El Paso Community Foundation. Conducted research and prepared comprehensive historical bibliography ("Mesilla Valley – Canutillo Wayside Exhibit). Also I helped locate images and develop text for the outdoor exhibit. Contract with Steven Silver, Ex. Dir., Groundwork El Paso, Telephone (915) 274-7476.
- 1992-present (Contact) Consultant for heritage tourism, educational, art, and commercial exhibits (El Paso Mission Trail Association, San Elizario Museum and Visitors' Center, and El Paso International Airport (developed the El Paso Missions Exhibit for Mary Davis, former Director EPMTA, see references), and volunteer to XII Travelers, and Adair Margo Gallery.
- 1989-present (Independent) Historical/anthropological research on Alvar Nuñez Cabeza de Vaca and Estebanico the Black (first recorded transcontinental crossing of North America). Have developed extensive studies on this subject, conducted fieldwork in Morocco (Azemmour, hometown of Estebanico the Black), and Mexico. Currently writing a historical novel on Estebanico the Black, First Great Black Man in America.
- 2006-present (Independent) Preparing book on the El Paso Missions, which is a result of my research with the El Paso Mission Trail Association, Tigua Tribe and San Elizario community,

- 2006-present Substitute Teacher (El Paso Independent School District), part-time, when available.
- 1991-present (Volunteer) XII Travelers Memorial of the Southwest: Non-profit Promotion, Fundraising Co-Chair, grants writer, project historian (editor of XII Travelers Website). Recently have completed two comprehensive research bibliographies for this project (Susan Shelby Magoffin, Benito Juárez).
- 1989 – 1993 Health Director, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo (El Paso, Texas). Developed the Tribal Health Department. Meritorious Award recipient.
- 1992-1984 Director of Community Cultural Center (Santa Fe, New Mexico) & Public Health Consultant (Peace Corps, Paraguay, South America). Americana Museum, El Paso.
- 1971-1984 Public Health Educator, Indian Health Services, US Public Health Service, HHS. Arizona, New Mexico and California (Phoenix, Schurz and San Carlos Services Units). Recipient of several meritorious service and pay awards.
- 1978-1980 Director of Rural Public Health (Peace Corps, Ecuador), professional services on-loan from the US Public Health Service to Peace Corps. Recipient of meritorious service award.