

DATE: 04-20-2011

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Beto O'Rourke

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of April 26, 2011

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Melissa C. Brandrup to the City Plan Commission by Representative Beto O'Rourke, District 8.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: City Plan Commission

NOMINATED BY: Representative Beto O'Rourke DISTRICT: 8

NAME OF APPOINTEE: Melissa C. Brandrup
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

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

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Katherine Updike

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 12/28/2010

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 04/26/2011

TERM BEGINS ON: 12/29/2010

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 12/28/2012

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

MELISSA C. BRANDRUP, AIA, LEED-AP

LICENSES / CERTIFICATIONS

Registered Architect	
State of Florida	2004
State of Texas	2008
LEED-AP	2009
National Council of Architectural Registration Boards	2001
Certified Licensed Building Contractor, State of Florida	1999

EXPERIENCE

Building Solutions, LLC, El Paso, TX

10/10-present

Building Solutions provides housing and facility development services for projects that have social capital demands. Utilizing Smart Growth ideals, Transit Oriented Design, sustainability and housing affordability as the main objectives. As a developer, architect and planner I am able to see all the facets of the project and integrate them to a cohesive and buildable design. At each step we integrate the needs of both the client and the area served while ensuring that the risks of real estate development do not jeopardize the underlying mission of the organization.

El Cruzero, El Paso, Texas – 2010-present

250 acre Smart code development on the east side of El Paso. Utilizing all the strategies of walkability, transit oriented design, water harvesting, small business incubators, and striving to reach LEED-ND Silver.

MCB Architecture, PLLC, El Paso, TX

5/07-present

PLLC formed in 2007, currently registered business in the State of Florida and Texas.

Specializing in furthering sustainable development through architecture and master planning concentrating on Smart Growth Initiative and Transit Oriented Development as primary design goals.

The Urban Collaborative, Based in Eugene, Oregon, 2/08-present

Consultant Architect and Planner for a collaborative design team from across the US working with our clients and stakeholders through the charrette process in 10 day planning sessions to redevelop military installations. Introducing the idea of new urbanism, sustainable development, design guidelines as well as and cultural and environmental sensitivity to future growth on military installations. All projects must meet Federal Sustainable Guidelines. Various projects Include:

Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Washington – Architect, Planner, 2008-2009

American Planning Association 2008 Federal Planning Division Outstanding Sustainable Planning or Design Project. Base expansion and mixed use redevelopment including 2,500 new housing units of various types, hospital expansion, street realignment and Form Based Code Development.

Iwakuni Marine Base, Iwakuni, Japan – Architect, Planner, 2008-2009

American Planning Association 2009 Federal Planning Division Outstanding Sustainable Planning or Design Project. Base master planning and expansion to include 1,600 new dwelling units 75% on installation, 25% off installation. Project includes new flight line plan, housing development including 6 housing typologies with development of floor plans and elevations, main installation 'downtown' redevelopment, and Form Based Code design guidelines.

Yokosuka Naval Base, Yokosuka, Japan –Architect, 2009

Designing base housing infill plans and development options to be used as tools in bi-lateral charrette negotiations between the Government of Japan and the United States Government.

Yakima Training Center, Yakima, Washington – Architect, 2008

Development of the 2017 base master plan.

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Torregrosa Residence

3,200 SF Custom Residence, 2,000 SF photography studio, 1,500 SF guest cottage on 2.5 acre river front site in Sanford, Florida. Currently in the Design Development stage, design strategies include solar orientation, prevailing wind, topography and preserving the natural landscape.

Condominiums, Culebra, Puerto Rico

5 -1,200 sf. High-end condominiums on the bay side of this Island east of Puerto Rico. Project Designer only not Architect of Record. Design strategies include solar orientation, infill development and regional materials.

Various Consulting Projects

Aiding local design and architecture firms in master plan development. Striving to have clients and design team meeting LEED minimum standards for building and planning development.

Texas Tech University, El Paso, TX

8/07 – 12/07

Instructor, Architectural Studio Design, (4th year) approximately 13 students.

Cunningham I Quill Architects, PLLC, Washington, D.C

7/04 – 4/07

Senior Project Architect for a 30 person progressive design firm focusing on condominium loft design, high-end residential and urban infill master planning. Design processes included precedent research, intensive design charrettes and pin-up reviews, design studies in both physical and computer generated models as well as firm driven case study and continuing education seminars. Daily client communication, community outreach, construction document production, specifications and construction administration were job responsibilities as Senior Project Architect. Various Projects Include:

The Wooster and The Mercer Condominiums – Construction Administration, 2004-2007

88-units of high-end loft development in Arlington, VA built in the warehouse style.

Awbrey Park – Senior Project Architect, 2004-2006

11-Acre master plan for urban infill located in the historic town of Leesburg, VA comprising of 100,000 SF retail, 350 multifamily units and 47 stacked townhouses.

Affordable Housing Corporation – Senior Project Architect, 2007

10 affordable housing units located in Arlington, VA winner 2010 AIA Washingtonian award

Peter DeWitt Architect, PLLC, San Antonio, TX

7/03 – 7/04

Project Designer for small firm focusing on high end residential and restaurant design. Intense studies in regionalism helped develop creative designs for various projects that needed a higher quality of design coupled with high quality interior finish-out in the style true to the South Texas form. Daily client communication and interaction, as well as full design, construction document production, specifications and construction administration were job responsibilities as Project Designer. Various Projects Include:

Hacienda De Los Barrios – Project Designer

6,000 sf Mexican Restaurant

TRK Ranch – Project Designer

107 acre site in the Texas Hill Country, 5,000 sf main house, 2,000 sf guesthouse, 5 car garage, 8 stall barn with riding ring and various other out-buildings.

The Tamara Peacock Company...Architects, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

7/99 – 4/03

Project Designer for a 15 person architectural firm. Tasks include overseeing projects from initial client meeting and contract negotiations through conceptual design, permitting, construction administration, final closeout and ribbon cutting. On site field visits for plan/design compliance and daily client-architect communication was integral to the job. Preparation of plans and specifications for various R.F.P. Design/Build and traditional Design/Bid/Build proposals. Oversaw preparation of marketing packets and power point presentations for prospective jobs. Various Projects Include:

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Palazzo Las Olas – Project Designer

Collaborated on 75 million dollar project for the City of Ft. Lauderdale. 300,000 sf retail, 221 residential unit, 1200 car garage on the intercoastal.

City of Wilton Manors – Project Designer, Construction Administration

Various Projects - Oversaw design and construction of 5 park facilities totaling 23 acres in ecologically sensitive areas. Aided in city visioning and 10 year master planning process.

Broward County Parks and Recreation Department – Construction Administration

Secret Woods Nature Center - 4,000 sf exhibit hall in ecologically sensitive area.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools – Construction Administration

Tropical Elementary – 10,000 sf 2.1 million addition

Miami Lakes Middle School – 8,000 sf 2.7 million addition

Florida Atlantic University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

7/02 – 5/03

Professor, Architectural Studio Design Level 5 and 6, (3rd year) approximately 15 students each semester.

Midwest Companies, Maitland, FL

7/98 – 7/99

Various projects including 7,000 s.f. residence, 10,000 s.f. medical office, interior design and furniture design of Papa John's Corporate headquarters, Louisville, KY.

Independent Contractor/Designer, Self Employed, Orlando, FL

7/98 – 7/99

Various projects in the Orlando Metro Area including 3 contemporary townhomes, renovation to Chamber of Commerce building, addition to private residence.

Design for Public Spaces, New Orleans, LA

5/98 – 7/98

Preservation Resource Center, New Orleans, LA

1/98 – 4/98

Morton Verges Architects, New Orleans, LA

5/96 – 8/96

H.A.B.S Freelance Work, New Orleans, LA

4/96 – 6/96

Sierra, Cardona, Ferrer, Guyanabo, Puerto Rico

5/95 – 8/95

EDUCATION

Tulane University, School of Architecture, New Orleans, LA
Master of Preservation Studies, GPA 4.0, Deans List

1998

Tulane University, School of Architecture, New Orleans, LA
Bachelor of Architecture
Master of Architecture
H.A.B.S. Charles E. Peterson Prize, honorable mention

1997

2004

1996

University of Arizona, School of Architecture
Greece-Italy, Summer Abroad

5/94 – 7/94

MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

USGBC LEED-Neighborhood Development Regionalization Task Force

2009-present

Eco El Paso, Founding member, Current Board Member

2008-present

Tulane University, School of Architecture Board of Advisors

2009-present

Historic Landmark Commission, City of El Paso

2008-2010

American Institute of Architects, Currently President of local El Paso Chapter

1993-present

USGBC

2004-2009

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San Antonio Women in Design	2003-2004
Society for Marketing Professional Services	2001-2003
Commercial Real Estate Women	2001-2003

SKILLS

Auto CAD all versions currently using 2008, Architectural Desktop, SketchUp, Microsoft Office Suite, Macintosh and IBM compatibles, Adobe Creative Suite, Carpentry, Model Construction, Spanish

REFERENCES

Are available and will be furnished upon request.