

DATE: June 29, 2011

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Steve Ortega, District 7

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of July 5, 2011

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Tania M. Chozet to the Museum and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board by Representative Steve Ortega, District 7

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Ms. Chozet will be serving an unexpired term to fill the vacancy left by Ms. Anna Pilhoefer.

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Museum and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board

NOMINATED BY: Representative Steve Ortega DISTRICT: District 7

NAME OF APPOINTEE Tania M. Chozet
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ 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: Anna Philhoefer

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 10/01/2013

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

CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE: 07/05/2011

TERM BEGINS ON : 10/01/2010

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 10/01/2013

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

2nd TERM: _____

UNEXPIRED TERM: X

TANIA M. CHOZET

PROFESSIONAL

- Member of the State Bar of New Mexico, Sept. 2010

EDUCATION

- University of San Francisco School of Law, J. D., May 2009
 - CALI Award for Excellence, Legal Ethics, Spring 2009 (highest grade in section)
 - Roger J. Traynor California Moot Court Competition, 2nd place team, Spring 2009
 - CALI Award for Excellence, Constitutional Law, Fall 2007 (highest grade in 100 student section)
- Yale University, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, May 1998

LEGAL AND POLICY EXPERIENCE

- American Civil Liberties Union of New Mexico, Regional Center for Border Rights, Policy Advocate, Las Cruces, NM, May 2011-current
 - Design non-litigation advocacy strategies and campaigns for creating policy change with regard to border and immigration issues
- Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center, Volunteer, El Paso, TX, Feb. 2011-April 2011
 - Began building a coalition of local leaders to support and campaign for Mexican asylum seekers.
- Center for Community Change/Promise Arizona, Fellow, Phoenix, AZ, Sept. 2010-Dec. 2010
 - Served as Team Lead on a field campaign to mobilize the Latino and immigrant vote in Arizona against politicians who support the SB1070 anti-immigrant legislation
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, Chief Magistrate James Larson, Judicial Extern, Fall 2008
 - Performed legal research and drafted bench memos advising judge on how to rule in particular cases
- California Attorney General, Summer Honors Program, Correctional Writs Intern, Summer 2008
 - Conducted legal research and drafted legal memoranda related to California prisoner litigation
- Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights, Homeless Rights Project, Volunteer, Summer 2006
 - Conducted legal research on Eighth Amendment and municipal homeless laws

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Sidestep.com (now Kayak.com), Santa Clara, CA, Data Warehouse Consultant, Apr. 2007-Aug. 2007
 - Designed a reporting system for reporting on financials and travel search engine performance
- Gap, Inc., San Bruno, CA, Reporting Systems Architect, Jan. 2001-Jul. 2005
 - Designed a reporting system used by thousands daily for sales, inventory and merchandising reporting
 - Managed a multimillion dollar, two-year technical project with a staff of 7 engineers
 - Rated in the top 5% of corporate employees worldwide in 2004
- Microstrategy, Inc., Vienna, VA, Consultant/Sr. Consultant, Sept. 1998-Jan. 2001
 - Provided software support through on-site client consultations
 - Authored an internal white paper on security features in Microstrategy product suite

LANGUAGE SKILLS: Native Spanish-speaker, basic speaking skills in Mandarin Chinese