

DATE: Oct. 20, 2006

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Ann Morgan Lilly

ADDRESS 2 Civic Center Plaza TELEPHONE 541-4151

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of 10/31/06

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Maria Trunk to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board by Representative Ann Morgan Lilly, District 1 [541-4151]

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM**

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

NOMINATED BY: Representative Ann Morgan Lilly DISTRICT: 1

NAME OF APPOINTEE Maria Trunk  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Na

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Kelly Duke

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

OTHER (SPECIFY): \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 10/30/06

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 10/30/08

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1<sup>st</sup> TERM:

2<sup>nd</sup> TERM

UNEXPIRED TERM:

## MARIA A. TRUNK

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### CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS IN EL PASO, TEXAS

**The Frontera Land Alliance**, a local land trust dedicated to preserving the natural environment and cultural heritage of the Northern Chihuahuan Desert Region. Current (and founding) president of the Board of Directors. Member of original steering committee that established the 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation in 2004. Leads the board in conducting the affairs of the land trust: negotiating land transactions, fundraising, delivering public outreach programs, and implementing the Land Trust Alliance Standards and Practices. Frontera owns and manages Resler Canyon, a 91-acre natural arroyo within the city limits of El Paso, as the Wakeem/Teschner Nature Preserve for wildlife habitat and public enjoyment.

**Friends of the Rio Bosque**, a volunteer organization supporting Rio Bosque Wetlands Park, a 372-acre habitat restoration project owned by the City of El Paso and managed by the University of Texas at El Paso. Founding member and current treasurer. On behalf of FRB, wrote grant applications that successfully secured funding for purchase of a weather station and educational materials (from the International Boundary and Water Commission), and development of an interpretive brochure series (from the Texas Forest Service). Originated concepts, wrote text and coordinated with graphic designer in creating the nine brochures. Organizes volunteers to implement a long-term faunal monitoring program at the park.

**Groundwork El Paso**, a not-for-profit business working to bring about the sustained regeneration, improvement and management of the physical environment by developing community-based partnerships which empower people, businesses and organizations to promote environmental, economic and social well-being. Current member of the Board of Directors.

### PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

**Brooks Tropicals, Inc.**, Homestead, Florida, a grower/packer/importer/shipper of fresh tropical fruits. Manager of Postharvest Technology. Conducted in-house postharvest research and collaborated with the University of Florida, USDA Agricultural Research Service and private laboratories in investigating nutritional content of fruits, pesticide efficacy and residue management, quarantine treatments for exclusion of invasive pests, and field and packinghouse practices to reduce physical and physiological damage to products. Served as primary company liaison with government, industry and the public for postharvest topics.

**Beijing Normal University**, Beijing, China. Foreign teacher. Developed a conversation course curriculum. Taught written and conversational English to graduate students.

### EDUCATION

**University of California, Davis**. Master of Science 1993, in International Agricultural Development. Specialization in vegetable crop production and postharvest handling.

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Bachelor of Arts 1988, in East Asian Studies. Harvard College Scholarship, Elizabeth Cary Agassiz Certificate of Merit.

### OF NOTE

Certified as a **Texas Master Naturalist** in 2001.

Fluent in Spanish.

Managing partner for **Summerlin LLC**, a family-owned real estate investment company.