

DATE: December 12, 2012

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Mayor John F. Cook

ADDRESS: 2 Civic Center Plaza 10th Floor, El Paso TX TELEPHONE (915) 541-4145

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of December 18, 2012

Re-appointment of TJ Karam to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5 by Mayor

Item should read as follows: John F. Cook.

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

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5

NOMINATED BY: John F. Cook DISTRICT: Mayor

NAME OF APPOINTEE TJ Karam  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

E-MAIL ADDRESS: TJ@bearingdevelopment.com

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Bearing Development – 300 S. Florence, #12

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: 79901 PHONE: (915) 204-0095

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

CITY: El Paso ST: TX ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DOES THE PROPOSED APPOINTEE HAVE A RELATIVE WORKING FOR THE CITY? YES: \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

IF SO, PLEASE PROVIDE HIS OR HER NAME, CITY POSITION AND RELATIONSHIP TO THE PROPOSED APPOINTEE:

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

NAME OF INCUMBENT: TJ Karam

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 06/22/2012

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 12/18/2012

TERM BEGINS ON : 06/23/2012

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 06/22/2014

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

2<sup>nd</sup> TERM: X

UNEXPIRED TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

## TJ Karam - Bio

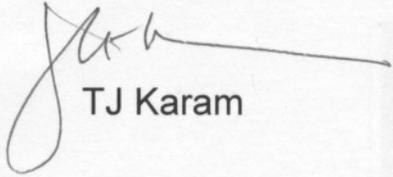
To whom it may concern:

I received my bachelor degree in Public Relations from Texas Tech University and I received my master's degree in Electronic Commerce from the University of Dallas. While in Graduate School, I traded securities as a licensed stockbroker for Fidelity Investments in Dallas.

Upon returning to El Paso, in 2002, I worked as the El Paso and Juarez Market Representative for Prologis, which is the largest Industrial REIT in the world. I then joined my brothers and created K Trinity Investments in which we developed a couple of small strip centers and managed and leased space for over 100,000 square feet in El Paso.

After years of gaining knowledge and experience, I realized the importance of focusing on Downtown El Paso, and formed The El Paso Project, LLC. TEPP was created to bring a residential component to Downtown El Paso. Our current project is the First Avenue Lofts for which we obtained funding from the TIRZ Board. This has given me an insight in how the private sector deals with the TIRZ Board. I believe that I would be an excellent candidate for the TIRZ Board.

Thank you for your consideration.



TJ Karam

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