

DATE: 2/26/15

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Mayor Oscar Leeser

ADDRESS: 300 N. Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor TELEPHONE 212-0021

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of 3/5/15

Item should read as follows: Appointment of Rosa Guerrero to the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee

NOMINATED BY: Oscar Leeser DISTRICT: Mayor

NAME OF APPOINTEE Rosa Guerrero  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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?

n/a

NAME OF INCUMBENT: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: \_\_\_\_\_

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 3/5/15

TERM BEGINS ON : 3/5/15  
12/31/15

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Rosa Guerrero Biography

Rosa Ramirez Guerrero of El Paso, Texas, is an artist, educator, dance historian, and humanitarian. Her efforts have enhanced her commitment in promoting cultural awareness around the United States. She has also taught for EPISD, The El Paso Community College and at The University of Texas at El Paso. Mrs. Guerrero was the first of seven children in her family to graduate and earn her BA and MA from Texas Western College, now the University of Texas at El Paso.

Mrs. Guerrero founded and became the artistic director of the International Folklorico Dance Group. Her film "Tapestry," based upon creating cultural harmony and understanding, was honored with a national award for documentary filmmaking. She was awarded a lifetime membership with the Texas PTA and was the first Hispanic woman in El Paso to have a school, Rosa Guerrero Elementary, named in her honor.

She has been honored with many local, national, and international honors for her efforts as a humanitarian, which includes being a Distinguished Alumni of The University of Texas at El Paso, Inductee into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame, the Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation Award, the LULAC Arts and Humanities Award, the NEA Human Civil Rights George T. Sanchez Award, and the Mexican Consulate OHTLI Award for her work with Mexican Americans and other minorities.

Rosa Guerrero wanted to be a teacher since the third grade. Her own teachers in the early 1940's and 1950's were not kind and did not understand her cultural background. She, like thousands of others, was punished for speaking Spanish in school. This was the reason she became an educator and swore to never punish her students for their racial and cultural differences.

Rosa Guerrero has been called "a tapestry of many cultures whose mission is to share this tapestry of cultural diversity, and how it is woven, with all people." She continues her mission of love, peace, and cultural understanding to this day as an educational consultant giving presentations and lectures