

DATE: 05-03-2011

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Beto O'Rourke

ADDRESS 2 Civic Center Plaza 10th Floor, El Paso, TX TELEPHONE 915-541-4123

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

Agenda for the Council Meeting of 5-10-2011

Item should read as follows: Appointment of William H. Rivera to the Ethics Review Commission by Representative. Beto O'Rourke, District 8.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Ethics Review Commission

NOMINATED BY: Representative Beto O'Rourke DISTRICT: 8

NAME OF APPOINTEE William H. Rivera
(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: Gracia M. Sandoval

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 02/20/2011

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

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 05/10/2011

TERM BEGINS ON : 02/21/2011

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 02/20/2013

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

2nd TERM: _____

UNEXPIRED TERM: _____

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Previous civic committee service includes;

Parks and Recreation Advisory, Advisory Committee for Executive Center Water Treatment Facility and most recently served on the Blue Ribbon Committee (temporary committee to conduct a study on a regional parks system)

Bill Rivera is a native born El Paso resident who attended local public schools.

Rivera graduated from the University of Louisville, where he received his B.S. (1953) and his Ph.D.(1962) in Chemistry. From 1956 to 1958 he was employed as a Nuclear Engineer, General Dynamics. From 1962-95, he held academic positions ranging from Assistant Professor of Chemistry to Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Texas at El Paso. He served twice as President of the UTEP faculty.

He served as an NROTC Midshipman during college and as an active duty and reserve officer for 33 years. Rivera served as a shipboard Engineer Officer for 3 years and returned to active duty in 1980 to serve 5 years as Chair of the Chemistry Department at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. He has served as a Naval Academy Information Officer, assisting Wet Texas youth seeking admission to the U.S. Naval Academy and serves on the Academy Advisory committee for the 16th Congressional District Representative.

Over the last 40 years, Rivera has been a leader in multiculturalism and diversity. As a college professor, he helped develop the Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science, and at the Naval Academy he was a founding member of the Association of Naval Service Officers, a national organization dedicated to enhancing the careers of Hispanics in the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. With the USTA, Rivera served as a member of the Diversity Guide Team and assisted in writing the USTA Diversity Plan.

Rivera and his wife, Margaret, live in El Paso, Texas. They have one son and four daughters, 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Rivera is a member of the USTA Southwest Section.