



Legislative and Public Policy Committee Meeting

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Networking and building business relationships and opportunities

October 13, 2023

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Guest Speaker



Louann H. Martinez
Martinez & Associates

Bio:

Louann H. Martinez has over 40 years' experience in the Texas governmental and political arenas. She began her career as a legislative aide to former State Representative Sarah Weddington (D-Austin) in 1975 and honed her legislative skills working for other elected officials in the Texas Capitol over the next 15 years. Because of her legislative expertise and intricate knowledge of education issues, in 1988, Louann was tapped to serve as Associate Executive Director for Governmental Relations for the 2,500-member Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA), a position she held for more than a decade. In 2002, she joined Martinez & Associates, an independent government relations firm she cofounded with her husband, where she continued forging strong relationships with key lawmakers and policymakers in the area of public education.

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Guest Speaker



Edward D. Turner - MBA
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City of Dallas
Boards
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Commissions



Agenda

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The City of Dallas is greatly enriched by the work of boards and commissions and strives to ensure they reflect an equitable and diverse membership, since they play a vital role in providing direction and recommendations for City operations and help improve the quality of life for all residents.



What are Boards & Commissions

- *Most boards and commissions are established by City of Dallas ordinances or charters.*
- *In addition to elected officials and professional City staff, the City of Dallas relies on boards and commissions (B&C) to enhance City operations.*



Boards & Commissions

Each B&C are aligned to a strategic priority areas related to the B&C and interest, such as:

- Public Safety
- Quality of Life, Arts & Culture
- Transportation & Infrastructure
- Workforce, Education & Equity
- Economic Development
- Environment & Sustainability
- Government Performance & Financial Management
- Housing & Homeless Solutions



How Important are Boards & Commissions

Each B&C hold one of the following types of responsibility

- **Advisory:** Provides advice or recommendations to the City Council on issues or policies.
- **Quasi – Judicial:** Exercises sovereign functions of government, largely independent of the controls of others.
- **Instrumentality:** A subsidiary of local government created for a special purpose.
- **Municipal Management District:** Assists with the economic development and redevelopment of public improvements.



Who May Serve

- The members are mainly residents appointed by the Mayor and City Council.
- Serve voluntarily and without compensation.
- Some B&C include or consist of council members.



Eligibility

B&Cs serve as a training ground for residents wanting to become directly involved in local government.

- Must be a resident for six months prior to the appointment.
- Must not have pending litigation against the City of Dallas.
- Not convicted of two or more felonies.
- All qualifications are listed in the Dallas City Code, Sec. 8-1.4.



Next Steps

B&C members represent many neighborhoods, perspectives and groups; and they bring an array of experience, qualification and knowledge to the governance process.

- There are 54 Boards and Commission
- To view board and commission opportunities, visit the City's Board and Commission website:
- www.dallascityhall.com/government/Boards-and-Commissions



GET ON BOARD!



**Boards and
Commissions**

BECOME A VOICE FOR DALLAS

We are looking for residents committed to improving Dallas. APPLY to join a City of Dallas Board or Commission Today!



Building Inspection Advisory & Examining Appeals Board



Fire Code Advisory Board



Municipal Library Board

MLK

Martin Luther King
Community Center Board



Landmark Commission



South Dallas Fair Park
Opportunity Fund Board



Youth Commission



 **FOR OPEN POSITIONS:** bit.ly/BoardsandCommission

For more information about the Boards and Commissions, please visit bit.ly/CODBandC

How to Apply

- Once you have identified a board or commission of interest and reviewed the necessary qualifications for appointment consideration, visit the City Secretary's Office website:
- www.governmentjobs.com/careers/dallasboards



Contact Information

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Q&A

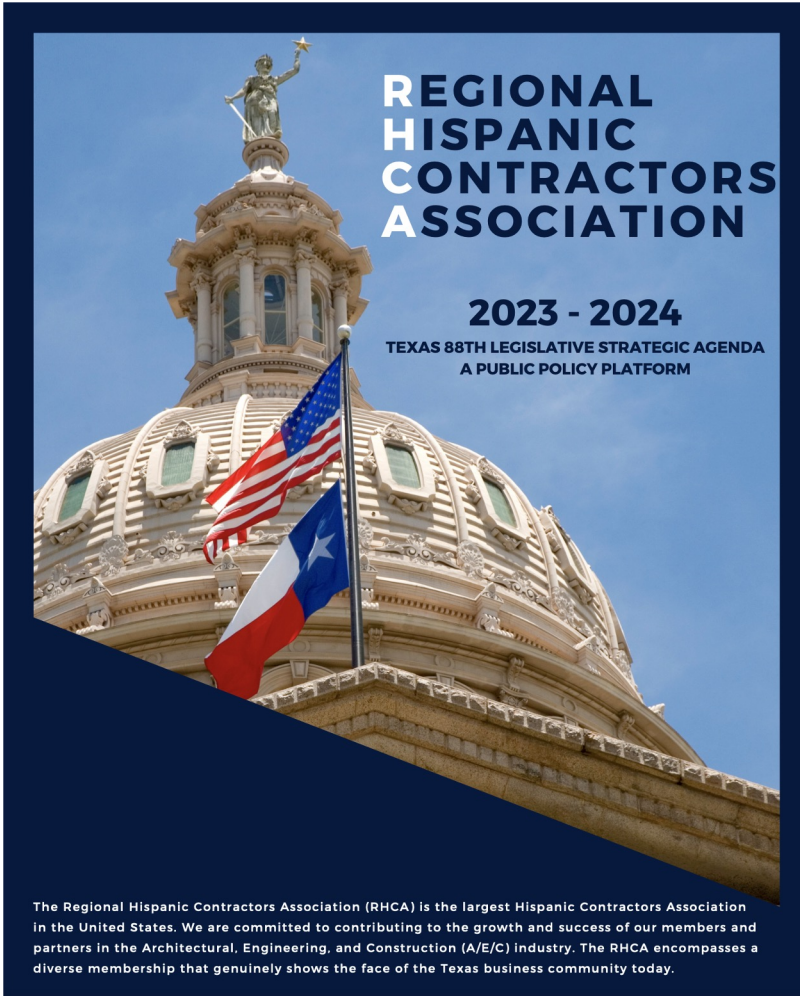


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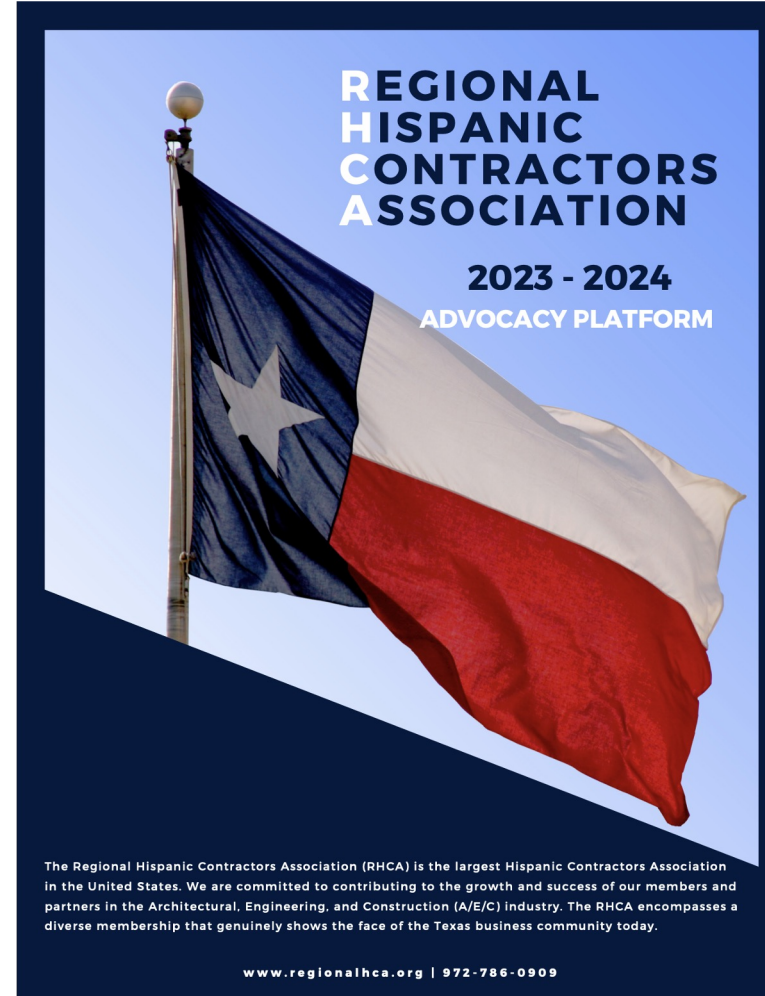
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Texas 88th Legislative Recap



In this pivotal year of the Texas 88th Legislative Session, the RHCA takes action on behalf of its members

- RHCA Legislative & Public Policy Committee
Chair: Angela Berry-Roberson, Esq.
- RHCA Liaison: Julio Florez
Austin Team: Martinez and Associates and Fernando Avalos-Oviedo
- RHCA Legislative Taskforce: a group of diverse RHCA constituents who review proposed legislation
- RHCA Legislative & Public Policy Committee

Tracking 183 Bills

The RHCA reviews all bills that are filed for potential impact on its members and the construction industry.

Frontline Advocacy

The RHCA takes action by 1) submitting Written Testimony, 2) going on the record to support or oppose a bill, 3) testifying in person, or 4) monitoring the bills.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/RHCA-Legislative-Updates.html?soid=1102771164568&aid=dDCpkjhBJDU>

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- Interim Sessions
- Local (DFW) Elections
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- Preparing for 89th Legislative Session
- Senator West

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NTTA Business Opportunities Stakeholders Session

**Friday, October 20
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Dallas College West Dallas Center
3330 N. Hampton Road
Dallas, TX 75212

Lunch will be served
RSVP by October 13

Agenda

- Meet and connect with NTTA executive leadership
- Engage with stakeholders
- Learn how to do business with NTTA
- Learn about current and future opportunities at NTTA
- Network and promote your business

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CEO/Executive
Director



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2023 ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING, AND CONSTRUCTION

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El Paso
Luna Awards Luncheon
Friday, October 27, 2023
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
The Plaza Hotel Pioneer Park
Trost Ballroom & Mezzanine
106 W Mills Ave, El Paso, TX 79901



Dallas/Fort Worth
Luna Awards Luncheon
Thursday, November 9, 2023
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Sheraton Dallas Hotel
Dallas Ballroom
400 N Olive Street, Dallas, TX 75201

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CORE Bilingual Construction Industry Program
(National Center for Construction Education and Research)

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**HEAVY HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION FORUM
HOUSTON & BEAUMONT**

**Friday, October 20, 2023
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM**

Steve Radack Community Center
Harris County Precinct 4, 18650 Clay Road
Houston, TX 77084





RSVP!
Lunch will be provided

The RHCA and ASHE Houston invite consultants, engineers, and contractors, in addition to any professional services or construction services companies interested in or currently working in the Heavy Highway and Transportation industry, to participate in this upcoming Forum. Join us to hear from key decision makers, including TxDOT and Harris County Toll Road Authority (HCTRA) leadership as well as technical experts, as they speak about the State of the Industry and upcoming opportunities.

Speakers



Martin Rodin, P.E.
Professional Engineering
Procurement Services
Division Director
Texas Department of
Transportation



Eliza Paul, P.E.
Houston District Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation



Martin Gonzalez, P.E.
Beaumont District Engineer
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Lallary Thielen, P.E.
Deputy Director of Capital Projects &
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Texas Department of Transportation



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Texas Department of Transportation



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Texas Department of Transportation



David M. Salazar Jr., P.E.
Fort Worth District Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation



Martin Rodin, P.E.
Professional Engineering Procurement Services
Division Director
Texas Department of Transportation



Elizabeth Mow, P.E.
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North Texas Tollway Authority



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RHCA Holiday Celebration
 The Twelve Days of Christmas and The Christmas Village at the Arboretum

RHCA Annual Toy and Food Drive
 Food Drive Benefiting area Senior Citizens

Thursday, December 14th, 2023
5:30 PM - 9 PM

Dallas Arboretum & Botanical Garden
 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, TX 75201

Registration Includes Parking & Admission

Event Registration

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