

EYNA CANALES-ZARATE

BIO

- Attended St. Edwards University (1973-1977) BBA in Management/Marketing, minor in Spanish.
- Prior to joining the City of Austin worked in private industry as a finance professional. Joined the City of Austin in 1980, and worked in economic development, auditing, transportation, general services, fleet services, public works, city manager's office and the public library. Retired from the City of Austin in 2010.
- Appointed to the Travis County Appraisal Review Board in 2012, serving as a citizen panel member to listen and decide property tax protests.
- Served in a variety of appointed positions such as: Travis County Child Protective Services Board. Chaired the San Jose Catholic Church Finance Council, Finance Chair for the Austin Hispanic Network and chaired the City of Austin Hispanic Issues in Education Committee. Currently serves as a board member for the Seedling Foundation. In addition serves as a board member of Texans for Secure Retirement, an advocacy organization that protects and promotes defined benefit pension plans in Texas.
- Elected to the City of Austin Employee Retirement System for three consecutive terms. Served as Chair of the Board, Investment Chair, Disability Chair and Goals and Objectives Committee Chair. Elected by a statewide municipal caucus for three consecutive terms to serve on the board of the Texas Association of Employee Retirement System (TEXPERS), a 500,000 member organization. At TEXPERS served as Board President, Legislative Chair, Education Chair, and Treasurer.