



**CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER**  
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Michael B. Hancock  
Mayor

To: Mayor Michael B. Hancock  
From: Romaine Pacheco, Director  
Date: November 7, 2022

**BOARD:** Denver Latino Commission

**STAFF:** Jay Salas

**BACKGROUND:**

Members – Up to 12  
Terms – 2 Years  
Confirmation – Yes

The Commission advises the City on issues affecting the Latino community.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Rachel Garcia, Denver (F)(H) for a term expiring January 1, 2025, appointed.

**ACTION NEEDED**

Appoint

Please provide additional candidates to consider.



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## BAC-8233

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DOB	[REDACTED]	Hispanic or Latino origin or Descent?	Yes
SSN	[REDACTED]	Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic
Gender	Female	Other Ethnicity	
Other Gender		Salutation	Ms.

### Board Information

Board Name	Denver Latino Commission	Other boards or commissions served	
Status	New	Resigned	
Term Start Date			
Term End Date			

### Work Information

Employer	Colectiva	Work Address	1312 17th Street Unit 1174
Position	CEO	Work City	Denver
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### Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	Denver	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	1		

### Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	Iver C Ranum	Name of Graduate School	
Location of High School	Denver, CO	Location of Graduate School	
# of Years Attended High school	4	# of Years Attended Graduate School	
Did you Graduate	Yes	Did you Graduate	

High School

Graduate Major

**Name of College** University of Colorado at Denver  
**Location of College** Denver, CO  
**# of Years Attended College** 4  
**Did you Graduate College** Yes  
**Undergrad Major** Business Administration

Reference Details

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Description

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*Rachel* has deep roots and connections in her hometown of Denver, Colorado. She has a great dedication to the arts and creative communities in Denver. Her love of the creative community grew from a desire to connect with like-minded people and to give back. She found her chosen family through the arts, social justice pursuits and through community advocacy particularly for immigrant and refugee communities. Rachel has gained a sense of belonging within the arts and creative communities and they have endowed upon her the beauty of cultural traditions she is proud to pass along to her daughter, Annalisia. Rachel graduated from the University of Colorado at Denver with a Bachelors of Science in Business Management and earned a Certificate in Executive Leadership with an emphasis on the issues and challenges affecting the Latinx Community/Population and holds a Certificate in Inclusive Leadership/Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility. Both certificates were earned at the prestigious Latino Leadership Institute (LLI) at the University of Denver. Rachel is a current fellow of the Metro Denver Chamber Leadership Foundation's Impact Denver Fellowship. Her professional background includes 25 years in the design/build industry as a Business Operations executive, however her passion has always been in the arts.

Rachel is a founding member and CEO of Colectiva, a collective of creatives that curate culturally inspired experiences that elevate and promote Latino Creatives via culture, art and cuisine. Colectiva's mission is to reclaim Latino culture from appropriation and to ensure creatives are compensated fairly. Rachel is also a founding member and curator of Calaveras en mi Ciudad, a mobile calaveras exhibit celebrating the traditions of dia de los muertos and is a co-founding member of La Feria del Tequila-the first and only tequila festival in Colorado founded by 3 women that identify as Latinas. In service to her community, Rachel currently serves as Chair of the Board of Directors of Artisti-co, Vice Chair of the Mexican Cultural Center, is a Member of the Board of Directors for Latinas First Foundation and the Coalition Against Global Genocide, is a member of several municipal LatinX Advisory Councils, is a Covid-19 Vaccine Ambassador and a Mental Health Anti-Stigma Ambassador in partnership with the Metro Denver Partnership for Health/Colorado Health Institute focusing on the Latinx community. She is a member of the Colorado Women's Foundation Development Committee and Empowerment Council and she is also a member of the Scientific and Cultural District Community Acts Fund Advisory Council.

Rachel has provided consulting services for many organizations. Her consulting services range from Public Relations, Community Connections and Collaborations, Culturally Relevant Information Sessions, Communications, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility work, Anti-appropriation and Building respectful culture, Business Services, Non-profit Sector Specialization, Grant Writing/Development, Social Media and other Marketing, Covid-19 Resources and Relief, Logistics, Project Management, Event/Conference Planning and Production. Most recently she has provided consulting services for: 3 Margaritas Restaurant, Alta Onda, Artistico, Aurora Public Libraries, Breakthru Beverage, Breckcreate, Cervceria Colorado, Chef or Death Podcast, Calaveras en mi Ciudad, The Center for the Arts Evergreen, The City and County of Broomfield, City and County of Denver Office on Aging, City and County of Denver Office of Storytelling, Colorado Business Committee for the Arts (CBCA), Colorado Day of the Dead Festival, Colorado Health Institute, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, Denver Film, Denver Health, The Denver Latino Commission, Denver Theatre District, Front Range Community College, The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, iZcalli, Jack Daniels, Juneteenth Music Festival, L'ATTITUDE Conference, La Feria del Tequila, Latin Fashion Week Colorado, Latinas First Foundation, Latinas Líderes y Emprendedoras, Meow Wolf, The Mexican Cultural Center, Museo de las Américas, Newman Center for the Performing Arts, Origo Foods, Re:Vision, Studio Colombia, Strive Prep, Sunset Sundays, University of Colorado at Denver, Village Exchange Center, Xatrucho Concepts, Youth on Record and several Visual and Performing Artists.

Her other interests include strengthening her leadership skills, writing/wordsmithing, travel/adventure, great cuisine and libations, supporting local businesses, meditating, experiencing the world through her daughter's eyes, connecting with friends old and new, and fine tuning her abilities as an intuitive being. Things she's most known for: cheering her friends and family along from the sidelines, promoting their ventures with enthusiasm and having a knack for knowing what the latest/hottest/coolest things are.