



Parking Commission Member Bios

Michelle L. Colvard

Michelle Colvard serves as chairperson of the Houston Commission for Disabilities, a 12-member commission appointed by the mayor. The Commission works alongside the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities, and is committed to representing the views and the interests of all Houstonians with disabilities. Colvard also serves on the Mayor's Wellness Council. As senior research coordinator at Baylor College of Medicine, she manages the regulatory affairs for various pediatric clinical trials. Colvard previously worked as project director of a research study on health promotion for women with physical disabilities at the Center for Research on Women with Disabilities, Baylor College of Medicine. Colvard earned a Master's degree in Public Health (MPH) from the University of Texas School of Public Health and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Houston.

Marcus L. Davis

Marcus L. Davis, president and CEO of *tbk* Holding, Inc. – parent company of *the breakfast klub* and the Reggae Hut – has more than 20 years food service experience as the guiding force behind two of Houston's hottest eating establishments. Receiving his early training working with his father's catering business, Davis worked his way through the ranks with Chick-fil-A, Inc., and become a field general manager overseeing quality control for franchises in Florida, Georgia and Texas. After a three-year tenure as a history teacher at Sharpstown Middle School, Davis returned to his true calling to open *the breakfast klub* in 2001. A native Houstonian, Davis is a graduate of Kashmere High School and an alumnus of Texas Southern University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science.

M. Marvin Katz

Renowned Houston real estate, probate and estate planning attorney Marvin Katz joins the Parking Commission after more than 45 years of practicing law. A 1954 graduate of Texas A&M University, Katz received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law in 1959 and has since been featured in numerous articles in *Texas Law Review* and *Southwestern Law Journal*. He also is a frequent lecturer in real estate programs sponsored by the Texas Bar

Association, Houston Bar Association, the University of Texas School of Law, Georgetown University School of Law, South Texas School of Law and the City of Houston. Katz has served on numerous committees and task forces involving City of Houston municipal matters, including chairman for the City of Houston Planning Commission, among others.

Evalyn L. Krudy

A former member of the Texas Medical Center Transportation Taskforce, Evalyn Krudy now serves as principal for Civic Associates, which provides assistance for homeowners groups and nonprofit organizations. Krudy served as executive director for University Place Association and Super Neighborhood Council from 1998 through 2001, and now serves on the Council and Board of these organizations. She was actively involved in the development of the Residential Parking Permit ordinance, which helps curb commuter parking in neighborhoods. Since 1989 she has served as chairman or co-chairman of Trees for Boulevard Oaks. She also served on the executive and bylaws committees for Blueprint Houston and was a cofounder of B. I. R. T. H (Bringing Information and Resources to Houston).

Joe R. Martin

Joe R. Martin, president of Martin Productions, Inc., is a Houston native. He spent the 90s developing successful technology start-ups, which include founding CyberSim Systems, Inc. (one of Houston's first Internet service provision companies); co-founding PDQ.net, once the city's largest Internet service company; and award winning high-technology office suites, eCitySuites.com. Presently, he owns a downtown Tex-Mex restaurant, El Centro, and one of Downtown's most popular nightclubs, M Bar. Presently, Martin serves as chairman of the Downtown Entertainment District Association (DEDA).

Mary Jo (Jody) McFadden

Mary Jo McFadden has enjoyed a rewarding career in the accounting industry for more than 30 years. As interim chief financial officer for Universal Ensco, Inc., she provided direction for the company's accounting department. She also served as CFO and vice president of The Children's Collection, Inc., with duties including budget preparation, long-term strategic planning and several human resources capacities, among others. McFadden also held several roles with Fleming Companies, Inc., in distribution centers in Wichita, KS, Houston and the corporate office in Oklahoma City, OK.

Charles D. Reedstrom

A Certified Administrator of Public Parking (CAPP), Reedstrom serves as strategic revenue systems manager for Carter & Burgess, Inc. He is responsible for projects that include the design and implementation of parking revenue control systems and ground transportation systems for controlling and tracking commercial vehicles through airports. He also provides the design and implementation of facility management systems to improve clients' ability to

actively manage their parking facilities.

Reedstrom is a member of the Board of Advisors for the International Parking Institute, a member of Class XX of Leadership Houston and previously served as director of the Texas Parking Association. Several of his literary works have been published in various trade publications, including a chapter discussing technology in parking applications in the parking handbook, "Parking 101: A Parking Primer," published by the International Parking Institute.

Gerard Torres

Former state representative for District 143 in Harris County, Gerard Torres now serves as manager in government affairs for Reliant Energy. While in the state legislature, he served as a member of the House Committee on Energy Resources, Licensing and Administrative Procedures and as vice-chair on the Committee on Rules and Resolutions. Prior to his legislative work, Torres worked under several elected officials, including the late Congressman Mickey Leland, former Houston City Councilman Ben Reyes, Harris County Commissioner Jim Fonteno and State Senator Mario Gallegos. Torres is a native Houstonian.