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Melissa Rosas, PE, is a Senior Vice President at Consor Engineers, LLC having transitioned from President from Apex Design, PC when the firms joined forces in fall 2020. With experience growing a firm and cultivating staff for retention and maximized client satisfaction, Melissa is passionate about serving those around her to do the same. She helps build teams to have clarity and accountability in positive ways by being a thought partner in creating culture, managing expectations, and realizing the future. Her areas of expertise are in risk management, strategic growth, M&A, and business-to-government (B2G).

Born to immigrant parents and raised in Chicago, Melissa earned her bachelor's in civil engineering from Marquette University—the first generation in her family to go to college. Because of her background, she is keenly aware of how important it is to provide opportunities for people in underserved populations, not only to build community capacity but also the value that diversification of our workforce has on the financial performance of any organization.

Over her 20-year career serving in transportation sector roles, Melissa has worked extensively with municipals and state governments within B2G models. Her project work has ranged from small-scale projects to large, system-wide projects, upwards of managing risk and strategy for \$2.3B programs. She has worked for major corporations and most recently as a previous small business owner for over 13 years, she is mindful of the challenges small businesses face and that our economic vitality requires a healthy and active M&A portfolio. Melissa has developed a reputation for approaching every project and task with a level of respect and professionalism that gets everyone—the internal project team, subconsultants, and client—on the same page.

Outside of work, Melissa is involved in community-focused organizations. She is the current Board President of Denver Urban Gardens, a non-profit focused on reducing barriers to fresh, healthy food by giving people across the Denver metro area resources to grow their own produce. Her past board experience highlights include the Community College of Denver Foundation. She has also served as a member of the Denver Public School's Bond Oversight Committee (2016-2021), ensuring that the \$572M voter approved bond had community oversight. What drives Melissa's career and civic engagement is the understanding that equitable systems, are vitally important for all industries to prosper and to foster thriving communities.

What grounds her is her family where she lives in Denver, with her husband and two active teenage boys. She is a voracious reader and fosters her green thumb in houseplant cultivation.



## Current Board Leadership

- Denver Urban Garden, Board President
- Scholars Unlimited, Board Member

## Honors

- Women's Leadership Foundation Corporate Boardbound Program Graduate, Anticipated 2023
- Denver Business Journal's Outstanding Women in Business, AEC Finalist, 2020
- Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation, Leadership Denver, 2018 Graduate
- Women's Transportation Seminar's Woman of the Year, 2016
- Denver Business Journal's '40 under 40', 2012
- Institute of Transportation Engineer's Transportation Professional of the Year, 2010
- Circle of Latina Leadership Program, Class of 2009