

Patricia M. Barajas, CMC
City Clerk
City of Salinas

Patricia "Patty" Barajas has served the City of Salinas since September of 2008. She began her career with Salinas working at the Police Department where she served as a Community Service Officer for 14 months. Patricia promoted to Deputy City Clerk in 2010 and shortly after appointed as City Clerk in 2012.

During her tenure in the City Clerk's Office, she has conducted four municipal elections, one special election, a number of initiative petitions and successful ballot measures. Aside from the day-to-day operations of the City Clerk's Office, she has played an important role in the city's effort toward improving government efficiency through technology and transparency.

She obtained her Certified Municipal Clerk designation in 2016 and is working towards her Master Municipal Clerk designation and her bachelor's degree. She currently serves as CCAC's appointee to the League of California Cities Housing and Economic Development Policy Committee and recently appointed as the Region 13 Director.

Patricia is a native of Salinas, where she currently resides with her loving husband Rick and spoiled cat Holly. She enjoys spending her free time with her husband traveling and going to the San Francisco Giants and Golden State Warriors games. She is always up for a hike or a mountain bike ride with Rick when he's not coaching football and as time permits.