




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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| Appointee Name: <i>Regina Owens</i> | | |
| Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Renters' Commission</i> | | Position Title: <i>Member</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment | | Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i> | Date Appointed: <i>2/25/2021</i> | Term of Position: * <i>3/1/2021</i> to <i>2/28/2023</i> |
| Residential Neighborhood: <i>Central</i> | Zip Code: <i>98122</i> | Contact Phone No.: <i>N/A</i> |
| Background: <p><i>Gina Owens has been a member Washington Community Action Network for 18 years. Throughout her time with WACAN, she have been involved in several major issues. She helped plan community meetings to talk about housing and tenant rights, and helped get people to take Washington CAN's survey about housing. She met with councilmembers and testified during hearings about several pieces of landlord-tenant legislation. Gina is also a member of the Seattle Housing Authority's Joint Policy Advisory Council.</i></p> | | |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):  | Appointing Signatory: <i>Kshama Sawant</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i> | |

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not appointment date.

Regina Owens

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I have been a member Washington Community Action Network for 18 years. Throughout my time with WCAN, I have been involved in several major issues. One of the first issues I worked on was around food insecurity across the nation. In the early 2000's, we worked on the agricultural bill to ensure food security programs (food stamps, hot-feeding programs, food banks, and public school lunches) were adequately funded. In 2004, it passed with \$6.4 billion allocated to food security programs.

I also was involved with the push for the Affordable Care Act. I, along with my grandchild, shared our story about losing my daughter because of inadequate health care access. We held town halls, spoke with lawmakers, and met with people from other states to push for health care reform. Through our work, we were part of the ACA bill signing.

I, along with other grassroots members, raised concerns around housing in Seattle to Washington CAN, so as an organization we decided to take this on as an issue. I helped plan community meetings to talk about housing and tenant rights. I helped get people to take Washington CAN's survey about housing. I met with councilmembers and testified during hearings about several pieces of landlord-tenant legislation. I did media interviews about the legislation we were supporting.

In addition to my work with Washington CAN, I am currently a member of Seattle Housing Authority's Joint Policy Advisory Council. For four years, I was the chair of this council. As SHA residents, we provide advice on SHA policies to the Executive Director and his team. We ensure that SHA policies meet the needs of residents before the Board of Commissioners enacts them. Through my work with Washington CAN and SHA, I have the skills necessary to provide advice and insight to the Seattle City Council regarding renters' concerns.

Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125280*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 6 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 2 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

Roster:

| *D | **G | RD | Position No. | Position Title | Name | Term Begin Date | Term End Date | Term # | Appointed By |
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| 6 | M | 3 | 1. | Member | Calvin R. Jones | 3/1/20 | 2/28/22 | 1 | Council |
| 6 | F | 4 | 2. | Member | Maya Garfinkel | 3/1/19 | 2/28/21 | 1 | Council |
| 6 | F | 6 | 3. | Member | Sharon E. Crowley | 3/1/20 | 2/28/22 | 1 | Council |
| 6 | F | 2 | 4. | Member | Dinah Braccio | 3/1/21 | 2/28/23 | 1 | Council |
| 6 | M | 2 | 5. | Member | Mac Scotty Ray McGregor | 3/1/20 | 2/28/22 | 1 | Council |
| 9 | F | 3 | 6. | Member | Regina Owens | 3/1/21 | 2/28/23 | 1 | Council |
| | | | 7. | Member | | 3/1/18 | 2/28/20 | | Mayor |
| 2 | F | 3 | 8. | Member | Laurie Goff | 3/1/19 | 2/28/21 | 2 | Mayor |
| | | | 9. | Member | | 3/1/18 | 2/28/20 | | Mayor |
| | | | 10. | Member | | 3/1/19 | 2/28/21 | | Mayor |
| | | | 11. | Member | | 3/1/18 | 2/28/20 | | Mayor |
| 9 | NB | 5 | 12. | Member | ChrisTiana ObeySumner | 3/1/19 | 2/28/21 | 2 | Mayor |
| 9 | F | 3 | 13. | Member | Mercedes Taitt-Lamar | 3/1/20 | 2/28/22 | 2 | Commission |
| | | | 14. | Member | | 3/1/19 | 2/28/21 | | Commission |
| 6 | F | 2 | 15. | Get Engaged Member | Chloe Caswell | 9/1/20 | 8/31/21 | 1 | Mayor |

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | | | | |
| | Male | Female | Transgender /Non-Binary | NB/ O/ U | Asian | Black/ African American | Hispanic/ Latino | American Indian/ Alaska Native | Other | Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic | Pacific Islander | Middle Eastern | Multiracial |
| Mayor | 0 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Council | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 1 |
| Other | 0 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Total | 2 | 6 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 5 | | | 3 |

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.