

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



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Tuesday, January 2, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall
600 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Sara Nelson, Council President

Joy Hollingsworth, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Cathy Moore, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

Chair Info: 206-684-8809; Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in Seattle, Washington, on January 2, 2024, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Pro Tem Morales presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

C. ELECTION OF 2024 - 2025 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Council President Pro Tern Morales opened the floor to nominations for the position of Council President for 2024 and 2025.

Motion was made by Councilmember Kettle and duly seconded, to place in nomination the name of Councilmember Sara Nelson.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were closed.

The Motion carried and Councilmember Sara Nelson was elected as Council President of the Seattle City Council for 2024 and 2025 by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

D. PRESENTATIONS

The Oath of Office Ceremony:

The Oath of Office was administered to Rob Saka by his daughter Maeve Saka, and joined by his wife Alicia Saka. Councilmember Saka addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Tammy J. Morales by her son Mateo Morales Teicher, and joined by her son Josh Teicher and her mother Janine Waller. Councilmember Morales addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Joy Hollingsworth by Analiyah Trevino-Jones, and joined by her father Raft Hollingsworth, Jr. Councilmember Hollingsworth addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Maritza Rivera by her daughter Elena Kully-Rivera, and joined by her mother Aida Maldonado. Councilmember Rivera addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Cathy Moore by her father Gerald Moore. Councilmember Moore addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Dan Strauss by Nestor Tamayao, retired King County Superior Court Deputy Clerk, and joined by Sally Bagshaw, former Seattle City Councilmember. Councilmember Strauss addressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

The Oath of Office was administered to Robert Kettle by Anothny Dunne, his father-in-law, and joined by his daughter Evelyn Kettle and wife Sarah Dunne. Councilmember Kettle aressed those in attendance in the Council Chamber.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Matt Chan
Carolyn Malone
Alex Tsimerman
Rev. Harriet Walden
Manny Cawling
Toby Thaler
Julie Ralls
David Haines
Joe Kunzler
Kirk Robbins
Steve Zemke
Charlotte Amoureux
Nate Miles

F. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 417](#)**January 2, 2024**ACTION 1:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt the proposed Introduction and Referral Calendar.

ACTION 2:

By unanimous consent, Council Rule III.A.4., relating to circulation of a Resolution for introduction and adoption by 5:00 p.m. on the preceding business day, was suspended to allow consideration of an amendment to the Introduction and Referral Calendar.

ACTION 3:

Motion was made by Councilmember Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to amend the proposed Introduction and Referral Calendar by introducing Resolutions 32123 and 32124, and by referring them to the City Council to be acted on at today's City Council meeting.

Resolution 32123, A RESOLUTION designating the monthly President Pro Tem of the City Council of The City of Seattle for 2024-2025; superseding Resolution 32036.

Resolution 32124, A RESOLUTION relating to committee structure, membership, meeting times, and duties of the standing committees of the Seattle City Council for 2024 and 2025; and superseding Resolution 32037.

ACTION 4:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt the Introduction and Referral Calendar as amended.

The Motion carried, and the Introduction and Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted as amended by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

G. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Agenda.

H. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:

1. [Min 451](#) **December 12, 2023**

The item was adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

Bills:

2. [CB 120733](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of December 4, 2023 through December 8, 2023 and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The item was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill:

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

3. [CB 120734](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of December 11, 2023 through December 15, 2023 and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The item was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill:

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

- 4. [CB 120735](#) **AN ORDINANCE** appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of December 18, 2023 through December 22, 2023 and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

The item was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill:

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

J. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

K. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

- 5. [Res 32123](#) **A RESOLUTION** designating the monthly President Pro Tem of the City Council of The City of Seattle for 2024-2025; superseding Resolution 32036.

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32123.

The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

- 6. [Res 32124](#) **A RESOLUTION** relating to committee structure, membership, meeting times, and duties of the standing committees of the Seattle City Council for 2024 and 2025; and superseding Resolution 32037.

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32124.

The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 9 - Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

L. OTHER BUSINESS

City Clerk Scheereen Dedman provide a presentation and overview of the appointment process and proposed calendar for the appointment to the Vacant City Council At-Large Position.

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Council vacancy calendar by the following vote, as shown in Attachment 1 to the Minutes:

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, January 16, 2024.

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council

Attachment 1: January 2023 Council Vacancy Calendar