



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Weston Brinkley</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Urban Forestry Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Urban Forestry Commission Position #3 (Natural Resource Agency or University Representative)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input 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>Specify appointing authority</i>		Term of Office: <i>02/24/16 12/01/18</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Fremont</i>	Zip Code: <i>98107</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>[REDACTED]</i>
Legislated Authority: <i>S.M.C. 3.14.920</i>		
Background: <i>Weston brings strong knowledge and experience leading a range of community-based urban forestry programming, science, and education. His work with the Green Cities Research Alliance has included extensive research in understanding urban forestry issues.</i> <i>Weston has a degree in urban geography and a master's degree in urban planning with a land use concentration. He currently teaches at Antioch University and is the principal of Street Sounds Ecology, LLC.</i> <i>Weston's broad experience and strong background in urban forestry research will be an asset to the Urban Forestry Commission. He is being appointed to a three-year term that ends December 1, 2018.</i>		
Date of Appointment: <i>01/26/16</i>	Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>[Signature]</i>	Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Sally Bagshaw</i>

WESTON BRINKLEY



AFFILIATIONS

- 2015-Present Antioch University, Adjunct Faculty. Urban Environmental Education.
- 2014-Present Principal and Owner, Street Sounds Ecology, LLC.
- 2014-Present Great City, Board of Directors.
- 2009-Present Green Cities Research Alliance. Founding partner and research contributor.

EDUCATION

- 2010 **Master of Urban Planning, Land Use Concentration**, University of Washington.
- 2007 **Bachelor of Science, Urban Geography**, with honors,
Bachelor of Science, Environmental and Natural Resource Economics,
Minor, Planning and Public Policy Management, University of Oregon.

PAST EXPERIENCE

- 2010-2014 **Program Manager** for Research and Development, *Forterra*. Seattle WA.
- 2009-2010 **Social Scientist Analyst**, *United States Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station*. Seattle WA.
- 2008 **Planning Intern**, *King County Metro Transit, Service Planning*. Seattle WA.
- 2007-2008 **Performance Auditor**, *State of Oregon, Secretary of State Department, Audits Division*. Salem OR.
- 2005-2006 **Research Planning Assistant**, *Sierra Preservation Partners*. Eugene OR.
- 2005 **Tree Farm Steward**, *Cone Lumber Co.* Goshen OR.
- 2004-2005 **Data Analyst**, *Westwood Forest Products Inc.* Everett WA, Eugene OR.

PUBLICATIONS

- Wolf, K.L., **W. Brinkley**, D. Blahna. (in review). "Civic Environmental Stewardship in the Seattle Metro Area: Understanding Volunteer Motivations and Experiences". *General Technical Report*. PNW-GTR-XXX. Seattle WA . U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, XX p.
- Daniels, J.M., **W. Brinkley**, and M. Paruszkiewicz. (2015). "Urban forest restoration cost modeling: A Seattle natural areas case study". *General Technical Report*. PNW-GTR-921. Portland, OR: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, 34p.
- Daniels, J.M., A.S.T. Robbins, **W. Brinkley**, K.L. Wolf, and J.M. Chase. (2014). "Estimating the economic value of environmental stewardship volunteer events: A cost-based approach in King County, Washington". *Urban Forestry & Urban Greening*, 13 (2) 14p.
- Wolf, K.L., D. Blahna, **W. Brinkley** and M. Romolini. (2013). "Environmental Stewardship Footprint Research: Linking Human Agency and Ecosystem Health in the Puget Sound Region". *Urban Ecosystems*, 16: 13-32.
- Romolini, M., **W. Brinkley**, and K.L. Wolf. (2012). "What is Urban Environmental Stewardship? Constructing a Practitioner-Derived Framework". *Research Note PNW-RN-566*, Pacific Northwest Research Station, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, 41p.
- Brinkley, W.**, K.L. Wolf and D.J. Blahna. (2010). "Stewardship footprints and potential ecosystem recovery: Preliminary data for Seattle and Puget Sound". *Linking Science and Society: Proceedings of Emerging Issues Along Urban/Rural Interfaces III*. Laband, D.N. (ed). Atlanta GA.
- Brinkley, W.** (2010). "From Ladder to Lattice: A Consideration of Participatory Activation and Implementation in Urban Environmental Stewardship and Citizen Involvement". *Master's Thesis*. University of Washington, College of Built Environments.
- Brinkley, W.** and S. Hardwick. (submitted). "Back to the Land: 'Placing' Hmong Livelihoods and Landscapes in the Seattle Metropolitan Area". *The Journal of Cultural Geography*.

PAST AFFILIATIONS

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| 2014-2015 | Cheasty Mountain Bike/Pedestrian Trail Pilot Project, Seattle Parks and Recreation. Project Advisory Team member. |
| 2011-2013 | Great City. Green Infrastructure Committee member. |
| 2012-2014 | Northwest Biocarbon Initiative, Climate Solutions. Advisor. |
| 2011-2014 | Tree Ambassadors, City of Seattle, Office of Sustainability and the Environment. Tree Ambassador. |
| 2011-2014 | Society of American Foresters. Member. |

- 2008-2014 American Planning Association, Washington Chapter. Member.
- 2009-2010 Fremont Neighborhood Council. Member.
- 2008-2009 City of Seattle, Neighborhood Planning Group. Intern.

SELECT COURSES TAUGHT

- 2015 **Urban Ecology** - EDUC 536. Antioch University/ IslandWood. Masters of Arts: Urban Environmental Education program.

SELECT PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Brinkley, W.** (2015). "Green Cities Research and Tools: Green Cities Research Alliance Findings, Focus, and Future Projects". *The Green Cities Network, Quarterly Meeting*. Seattle WA.
- Brinkley, W.** (2015). "Measuring and Understanding the Benefits of Urban Forests?" *King County Sustainable Cities, Green Tools Urban Forest Roundtable*. Kirkland WA.
- Blahna, D. J. , K. L. Wolf, **W. Brinkley**, and T. Stanton. (2015). "Implementing Collaborative Research using a Collective Impact Group Approach: The Green Cities Research Alliance". *Cities at the Edge: Changing Urban Conditions. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM), 2015 Conference*. Charleston SC.
- Brinkley, W.** (2015). "Why Have Trees in Our Cities?" *Duwamish Tree Canopy Enhancement Project*, South Park Neighborhood Center. Seattle WA.
- Blahna, D. J. , K. L. Wolf, **W. Brinkley**, and T. Stanton. (2014). "Organizing for Urban Ecosystem Services Research: Green Cities Research Alliance as an example of a Collective Impact Initiative". *ACES 2014*. Washington DC.
- Brinkley, W.** (2013). "Stewardship volunteer motivations in the Puget Sound region". *Earth Corps, Corps Training*. Seattle WA.
- Brinkley, W.** and D. Blahna. (2012). "Green Cities Research Alliance: A Review and Reflection". *2012 Society of American Foresters National Convention*. Spokane WA.
- Wolf, K.L., **W. Brinkley**, J. M. Daniels, A. Robbins and D. Blahna. (2012). "Civic Environmental Stewardship and Urban Forestry". *2012 Society of American Foresters National Convention*. Spokane WA.
- Brinkley W.**, K.L. Wolf. (2012). "Volunteer Experiences in King County Forested Parks, 2011." *King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Capital Planning and Land Management Team*. Seattle WA.

- Brinkley, W.** and L. Ciecko. (2012). "A Science Program for Urban Natural Resource Planning and Management". *International Society of Arboriculture Conference*. Portland OR.
- Brinkley W.**, K.L. Wolf, S. Schell. (2012). "Exploring stewards experiences: Volunteerism in the Puget Sound region as social and ecological solution." *Association of American Geographers Annual Conference*. New York NY.
- Daniels, J.M., A.S.T. Robbins, **W. Brinkley**, K.L. Wolf and J. M. Chase. (2012). "Estimating the economic value of environmental stewardship volunteer events: A cost based approach in King County, Washington". *Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting*. Portland OR.
- Wolf, K.L, **W. Brinkley**, and D. Blahna. (2011). "Civic Environmental Stewardship and Urban Forestry". *Society of American Foresters National Convention*. Honolulu HI.
- Brinkley, W.** (2011). "Increasing Ecosystem Knowledge and Application through Collaborative Research: Green Cities Research Alliance". *Salish Sea Ecosystem Conference*. Vancouver BC.
- Brinkley, W.** and K.L. Wolf. (2011). "Understanding Volunteer Stewardship Experiences in Seattle". *REI Puget Sound Stewardship Conference*. Seattle WA.
- Brinkley, W.** (2011). "Understanding and Optimizing Volunteer Environmental Stewardship Motivations, Operations, and Capacity in Seattle". *Association of American Geographers Annual Conference*. Seattle WA.
- Wolf, K.L., D. Blahna, **W. Brinkley**, and M. Romolini. (2010). "Stewardship Footprints and Potential Ecosystem Recovery Across the Wildland to Urban Interface: The Puget Sound Case Study". *Emerging Issues Along Urban/Rural Interfaces 3: Linking Science & Society*. Atlanta GA.
- Brinkley, W.** and S. Hardwick. (2006). "Back to the Land: 'Placing' Hmong Livelihoods and Landscapes in the Seattle Metropolitan Area". *Association of Pacific Coast Geographers Annual Conference*. Eugene OR.

SELECT ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS

- "King County's Forested Parklands: An Assessment of Forest Structure, Ecosystem Services, and Volunteer Stewardship". (in review). Author. Street Sounds Ecology, LLC, Forterra, King County, and the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.
- "2014 Green Cities Research Alliance Accomplishment Report". (2015). Author. Street Sounds Ecology, LLC and the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.
- "The True Cost of Urban Forest Restoration: Developing a tool for predicting expenses from existing data sets in Seattle, WA". (2014). Analysis and reporting. Forterra and the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.
- "Green Cities Research Alliance Accomplishment Report, 2013". (2013). Author. USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.

"Urban Forestry in Puget Sound: A resource for urban forest management in the region". (2013). Project management. Regional Open Space Strategy (ROSS) and the UW Green Futures Lab, with Forterra and the USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry program.

Carbon Capturing Companies / Evergreen Carbon Capture. (2012-2014). Program development. Forterra.

"King County Land Inventory: County Owned Parcels Selected for Community Garden Potential". (2009). Analysis, author, and program development. King County Executive Office and University of Washington, Department of Urban Planning.

"Stop Optimization Project". (2009). Analysis, author, and program development. King County Metro, Service Planning, Metro Service Development Section.

SELECT ADVISORY CONTRIBUTIONS

L. Ciecko, R. Katz, Bazinet, O., D. Kimmett, J. Richardson, J. Saunders, K.L. Wolf. (2015). "Forest Landscape Assessment Tool (FLAT) Rapid Assessment for Land Management." *General Technical Report*. PNW-GTR-XXX. Seattle WA . U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, XX p.

"Strategic Framework: A New Decade of Impact and Innovation". (2015). United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.

"Seattle Urban Forest Stewardship Plan". (2013). City of Seattle and Seattle Urban Forest Commission.

"Natural Infrastructure: A Climate Smart Solution". (2013). Northwest Biocarbon Initiative, Climate Solutions.

Richardson, J.J., and L.M. Moskal. (2013). "Uncertainty in urban forest canopy assessment: Lessons from Seattle, WA". *Urban Forestry & Urban Greening* 13 (2) 12p.

"FLAT Manual: The Forest Landscape Assessment Tool". (2013). USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, King County DNRP and Forterra.

Ciecko, L., K. Tenneson, J. Dilley, and K.L. Wolf. (2012). "Seattle's Forest Ecosystem Values: Analysis of the Structure, Function, and Economic Benefits". USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, City of Seattle and Forterra.

Hellier, Justin. (2012). "Ecologists and Organizers: Participatory Research for Shared Understanding in the Green Seattle Partnership". Master of Science, University of Washington.

Kim, S., U. Chung, J. J. Lawler, and R. E. Anderson. "Assessing the Impacts of Climate Change on Urban Forests in the Puget Sound region: Climate Suitability Analysis for Tree Species". (2012). School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, College of the Environment, University of Washington.

- "Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project". (2010-2013). University of Washington, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences and USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.
- "Residential Private Property Outreach Report, Integrated Urban Forest Assessment Forest Ecosystem Values". (2010). Cascade Land Conservancy and the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.
- "Youth and Community Engagement, 2011". (2011). USDA Forest Service, Mt Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest.
- "City of Redmond: 2009 Hazards Mitigation Plan Update". (2009). Redmond Department of Planning and Community Development and Office of Emergency Management, and University of Washington, Department of Urban Planning.

SELECT CONVENINGS AND SUMMITS

- "Urban Waters Federal Partnership, Green-Duwamish River Dedication". Planning and facilitation. Green Cities Research Alliance, USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station. 2013.
- "Technical Advisory Committee". Regular meetings. Organizer. Carbon Capturing Companies, Forterra. 2012.
- "Green Seattle Partnership Executive Council". Briefings, staffing, and facilitation. City of Seattle, Forterra, and partners. 2011-2013.
- "Advisory Summit". Planning and facilitation. Green Cities Research Alliance, USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station. May 2011.
- "Showcase and Project Tour". Planning and facilitation. Green Cities Research Alliance, USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station. 2010.
- "Launch Summit: American Recovery and Reinvestment Action". Planning and facilitation. Green Cities Research Alliance, USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station. March 2010.

Urban Forestry Commission

January 2016

Ten (10) members: Per S.M.C. 3.14.920, all subject to City Council confirmation, three (3)-year terms:

- 4 City Council-appointed
- 4 Mayor-appointed
- 2 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): 1 (one) selected by Commissioners and 1 (one) Get Engaged member

Roster:

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M	1.	Wildlife Biologist	Steve Zemke	2-18-14	12-1-16	1	Council
6	F	2.	Urban Ecologist	Donna Kostka	4-28-14	12-1-16	1	Mayor
			Natural Resource Agency or University Representative					
6	M	3.	Representative	Weston Brinkley	XX-XX-16	12-1-18	1	Council
			Hydrologist or Similar Professional					
8	M	4.		Richard Martin	3-16-15	12-1-17	1	Mayor
6	M	5.	Arborist	Leif Fixen	5-23-12	12-1-17	2	Council
6	M	6.	Landscape Architect	Tom Early	12-1-14	12-1-17	2	Mayor
6	F	7.	NGO Representative	Joanna Nelson de Flores	12-8-15	12-1-18	1	Council
			Development Community or Utility Representative					
6	M	8.		Jeff Reibman	11-26-12	12-1-15	2	Mayor
			Economist, Financial Analyst, Realtor, or Similar Professional					
6	M	9.		Erik Rundell	2-11-14	12-1-16	1	Commission
6	F	10.	Get Engaged	Mariska Kecskes	9-8-15	9-7-16	1	Mayor

Diversity Chart:

			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)		
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	***Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	3	2		1						4		1	
Council	3	1								4			
Other	1									1			
Total	7	3		1						9		1	

Key:

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

**G List *gender*, M or F

***Other Includes diversity in any of the following: *race, gender and/or ability*



Sally Bagshaw
Seattle City Council

January 26, 2016

Weston Brinkley


Dear Mr. Brinkley:

I am pleased to appoint you as of December 8, 2015 to Position #3 (Natural Resource Agency or University Representative) of the Urban Forestry Commission for a three-year term ending on December 1, 2018.

This appointment is subject to City Council confirmation. You will be contacted when a date has been scheduled for your confirmation hearing. If you have questions regarding the confirmation process, please contact Sandra Pinto de Bader, at (206) 684-3194.

I appreciate your willingness to serve in the Urban Forestry Commission. Your experience and skills will be an asset to the Commission, and I am sure that the City will benefit from your participation.

Thank you for serving the people of Seattle.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally Bagshaw".

Sally Bagshaw
City Council

cc: Amanda Hohlfeld, Boards and Commissions Administrator, Mayor's Office
Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, Ethics & Elections Commission
Lily Rehrmann, Councilmember Sally Bagshaw's Office
Sandra Pinto de Bader, Urban Forestry Commission Liaison, Office of Sustainability and Environment

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