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City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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| Appointee Name: Elijah Grossman | | |
| Board/Commission Name: Seattle LGBT Commission | | Position Title: Get Engaged |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment | | Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Appointing Authority: Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor Other: Specify appointing authority | | Term of Office: September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016 |
| Residential Neighborhood: | Zip Code: 98102 | Contact Phone No.: NA |
| Legislated Authority: SMC 3.14.920, SMC 3.14.921, SMC 3.51.010, Ordinance 118392, Ordinance 120871 | | |
| Background: Eli is a trans man currently pursuing a Master of Social Work with a concentration in community-centered integrative practice at the University of Washington. Prior to living in Seattle, Eli spent four years serving on the leadership team for the New River Valley chapter of PFLAG in Virginia and two-years as Vice President of HokiePRIDE at Virginia Tech. He was a fierce advocate for services for LGBTQ individuals in Appalachia, including developing and implementing LGBTQ cultural competency trainings for mental health providers. Most recently, Eli was an intern for Pride Foundation, where he conducted and analyzed research on best practices for scholarship programs. Eli brings extensive experience working in residential mental health services, having worked for New River Valley Community Services, Community Psychiatric Clinic, and Youthcare. He is grateful for the opportunity to channel his passion for LGBTQ issues into collaborating with the city of Seattle to create change. | | |
| Date of Appointment: June 29, 2015 | Authorizing Signature (original signature):  | Appointing Signatory: Mayor Edward B. Murray |

Elijah Grossman

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Mental health professional with nearly four years of experience in behavioral services working with several hundred diverse clients in mental health crisis stabilization and substance abuse treatment. Relocated to Seattle to pursue graduate school.

EDUCATION

Master of Social Work (Expected graduation: June 2016), University of Washington
Bachelor of Science in Sociology with a Philosophy Minor
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, VA

WORK EXPERIENCE

Educational Programs Intern

Pride Foundation, Seattle, WA (Jan. 2015-June 2015)

- Conducts research on best practices for scholarship programs
- Reviews scholarship applications individually and within a committee
- Participates in taskforce meetings with regional development officers

On-Call Youth Counselor

Youthcare, Seattle, WA (Nov. 2014-Present)

- Provides on-site supervision of youth
- Provides crisis intervention and counseling to clients in care
- Coordinates house activities while on primary coverage
- Maintains a secure and safe facility

Per Diem Case Manager/Counselor at El Rey

Community Psychiatric Clinic, Seattle, WA (Sep. 2014-Present)

- Provides chronically homeless and mentally ill residents with training in activities of daily living and supports their efforts toward recovery
- Assists treatment team in providing residential services, working with residents' family and community agencies
- Offers services incorporating recovery principles supporting clients in their ability to live, work, and contribute to their community

Assistant Property Manager

Sturbridge Square Apartments, Blacksburg, VA 24060 (May 2012-present)

- Conducts market research and coordinates visibility projects
- Assisted future residents in the application process, leasing process, and move-in/move-out process
- Assessed units for damage after move-out, prioritizes and facilitates maintenance and renovation of those units

Crisis Stabilization Support Specialist at New Horizons

New River Valley Community Services, Blacksburg, VA (Feb. 2013-July 2014)

- Provided group & individual therapeutic interventions utilizing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT), client recovery planning, and follow-up services at a mental health residential crisis stabilization center
- Assisted with development of client service plans & completes intake process
- Maintained clinical documentation, demonstrating knowledge of Medicaid billing procedures & provides quality assurance for facility's charts and files
- Administered medication to clients, demonstrating knowledge of psychotropic medications
- De-escalated in the event of a crisis, thereby ensuring client safety

- Coordinated client needs with other providers
- Provided support, problem-solving advice, & information referrals to callers on the RAFT crisis hotline and connects callers with emergency services
- Culturally competent and sensitive to working with a diverse array of several hundred clients, including clients with intellectual disabilities.
- Led several cultural humility trainings for employees of the agency

Direct Care Provider at New Horizons and New Life Recovery Center

New River Valley Community Services, Blacksburg, VA 24060 (Nov. 2011-Feb. 2013)

- Conducted phone screenings for potential intakes to the residential substance abuse recovery center and assessed the client's length, frequency, and strength of substance abuse as well as the need for detoxification
- Facilitated clients' treatment process by transporting them to Alcoholics Anonymous and 12-Step meetings
- Assisted clients with adult daily living skills
- Administered medication to clients, demonstrating knowledge of psychotropic medications
- Fostered healthy relationships between clients & their family/support networks
- Provided support, problem-solving advice, and information referrals to callers on the RAFT crisis hotline and connects callers with emergency services

Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Commission

July 2015

16 members: Per SMC 3.14.920, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2 –years for each term:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Commission appointed
- 1 Member Get Engaged Program Appointed by the Mayor Confirmed by City Council
1-year term appointed in September

Roster:

| *D | **G | Position No. | Position Title | Name | Term Start Date | Term End Date | Term # | Appointed By |
|----|-----|--------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 2 | F | 1. | Member | Joy Williams | 12/15/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | Mayor |
| 2 | M | 2. | Member | NaaSira Adeeba | 12/15/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | Mayor |
| 3 | M | 3. | Member | Brennon Ham | 12/15/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | Mayor |
| 9 | F | 4. | Member | Luzviminda Carpenter | 09/30/13 | 4/30/15 | 2 nd | Mayor |
| 6 | M | 5. | Member | Mac McGregor | 09/30/13 | 4/30/15 | 3 rd | Mayor |
| 3 | M | 6. | Member | Manuel Venegas | 06/08/15 | 4/30/16 | | Mayor |
| 6 | F | 7. | Member | Breona Mendoza | 12/15/14 | 4/30/15 | 1 st | Mayor |
| 6 | M | 8. | Member | Mitch Hunter | 09/30/13 | 4/30/15 | 2 nd | City Council |
| | | 9. | Member | Vacant | 08/04/14 | 4/30/15 | 1 st | City Council |
| 6 | M | 10. | Member | Gunner Scott | 08/04/14 | 4/30/15 | 1 st | City Council |
| 6 | F | 11. | Member | Susan Snyder | 08/04/14 | 4/30/15 | 1 st | City Council |
| 2 | M | 12. | Member | Gilbert Archuleta | 08/04/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | City Council |
| 6 | M | 13. | Member | Douglas Hamilton | 08/04/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | City Council |
| 2 | F | 14. | Member | Marxa Marnia | 12/15/14 | 4/30/16 | 1 st | City Council |
| 6 | F | 15. | Member | Lisa Love | 12/15/14 | 4/30/15 | 1 st | Commission |
| 6 | M | 16. | Get Engaged | Elijah Grossman | 9/1/15 | 8/31/16 | 1 term | Mayor |

Diversity Chart:

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| | 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 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Council | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Comm | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| GE | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| total | 10 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 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*