





City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Jacob Cosman</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>East Design Review Board</i>		Position Title: <i>Local Residential</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 type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Joint Council & Mayor	Date Appointed: <i>mm/dd/yy.</i>	Term of Position: * <i>4/4/2023</i> to <i>4/3/2025</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Capitol Hill</i>	Zip Code: <i>98102</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>Business phone # - NOT personal phone #</i>
Background: <i>Jacob is a Senior Economist at Zillow.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>	
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Daniel Strauss</i> <i>District 6 Councilmember</i>	

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

Jacob Cosman



Experience

- July 2021 – present **Senior Economist, Zillow, Seattle**
- Led team modelling early stages of housing search process
 - Built simulations of cash flows for new products under development
 - Developed company-wide metrics for capital needs and risk exposure
- March 2021 – July 2021 **Senior Economist, Convoy, Seattle**
- Led incorporation of experimental results into pricing models and business metrics
 - Implemented automated price exploration in production service
 - Mentored data scientists seeking transitions to research roles
- June 2019 – March 2021 **Economist, Convoy, Seattle**
- Designed and led implementation of randomized trials to understand freight demand
 - Developed measures of liquidity and market thickness in two-sided brokerage market
 - Led team developing index-based approach to contract freight pricing
- August 2015 – May 2019 **Assistant Professor of Real Estate, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore**
- Designed causal inference strategy to measure value of restaurant differentiation
 - Built and estimated structural model of homebuilders' construction decisions
 - Presented housing policy research to regional and national policymakers

Education

- 2010 – 2015 **Ph.D., Economics, University of British Columbia**
Fields: empirical industrial organization and urban economics
Thesis: *Essays on urban structure and dynamics*
- 2009 – 2010 **M.A., Economics, University of Western Ontario**
- 2005 – 2009 **B.Sc., Combined Honours Physics & Mathematics, University of British Columbia**

Work authorization

- United States Permanent residency (Green Card holder)
- Canada Citizenship

Publications

- N. Schiff, J. Cosman, T. Dai, "Delivery in the city: Differentiated products competition among New York restaurants", *J. Urban Economics*, **134**, March 2023.
- P.A. McClarty, J.N. Cosman, A.G. Del Maestro, and M.J.P. Gingras, "Calculation of the expected zero-field muon relaxation rate in the geometrically frustrated rare earth pyrochlore $Gd_2Sn_2O_7$ antiferromagnet", *J. Phys: Condens. Matter*, **23** (16), 2011.
- I. Tucakov, J. Cosman, and J.H. Brewer, "Data display and analysis with μ View", *Physica B: Condens. Matter*, **374** pp.488–491, 2011.

Design Review Board

42 Design Review Board Members: Pursuant to SMC 23.41.008, *all* members are subject to City Council confirmation, *two*-year terms that may be re-appointed to a second term:

- 12 City Council-appointed
- 13 Mayor-appointed
- 15 Joint Mayor and Council appointed
- 2 *Mayor appointed per SMC 3.51 (Get Engaged)*

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name († holdover, ‡ beginning mid-term)	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
1	M		1.	Local Residential, DT	Kuo, Jonas	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
6	M		2.	Local Community, NE	Lee, Todd	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor
6	F		3.	Development, SW	Baxter, Brenda	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
9	M		4.	Business/Landscape, W	Bowers, Logan	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
9	M		5.	Local Residential, SW	McCulloch, Rob	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor
6	F		6.	Business/Landscape, E	van Geldern, Emily	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Mayor/Council
6	F		7.	Local Community, SE	Richmond, Lisa	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
6	M		8.	Development, SE	Germain, Stewart	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Council
6	M		9.	Local Community, NW	Johnson, Brian	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Council
9	M		10.	Business/Landscape, NW	Wagner, Solomon	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
6	F		11.	Design Professional, E	Gage, Gina	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	2	Mayor
6	M		12.	Development, NW	DiJulio, Penn	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Mayor
2	F		13.	Business/Landscape, DT	Vasser, Lisa ‡	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor/Council
			14.	Development, E	Vacant	4/4/2023	4/3/2025		Council
6	M		15.	Development, NE	Gunter, Christian	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Council
6	M		16.	Local Community, SW	Schaefer, Gavin	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Council
1	M		17.	Design Professional, NE	Lim, Kun	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Council
1	F		18.	Design Professional, W	Sato, Norie	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Council
3	F		19.	Local Community, W	Barrientos, Maria	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
6	M		20.	Development, DT	Bendix, Chris	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Council
			21.	Business/Landscape, SW	Vacant	4/4/2023	4/3/2025		Mayor/Council
9	F		22.	Design Professional, SE	De Giuli, Adriana Lyn	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Council
6	M		23.	Design Professional, NW	DiRaimo, Ryan	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor

			24.	Local Community, E	Vacant	4/4/2023	4/3/2025		Council
			25.	Local Residential, NW	Vacant	4/4/2022	4/3/2024		Mayor/Council
1	F		26.	Local Community, DT	Fortaleza, Che	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
6	F		27.	Development, W	Ratray, Tiffany	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	2	Mayor
9	F		28.	Local Residential, NE	Schickler, Kayleigh	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
1	F		29.	Design Professional, DT	Li, Nicole	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
9	F		30.	Design Professional, SW	Kadoo, Gargi	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
6	M		31.	Business/Landscape, SE	Maritz, Benjamin	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor/Council
2	M		32.	Local Residential, W	Ogunmola, Kinsley	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
6	U		33.	Local Residential, E	Cosman, Jacob	4/4/3023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
1	M		34.	Local Residential, SE	Zhang, Zi	4/4/2023	4/3/2025	1	Mayor/Council
6	F		35.	Business/Landscape, NE	Liss, Katharine	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Mayor/Council
2	F		36.	Get Engaged	Abdulkadir, Shabazz	9/1/2023	8/31/2024	1	Mayor (SMC 3.51)
6	M		37.	Local Residential, CA	Britt, Troy	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Council
1	F		38.	Local Community, CA	Hu, Quanlin	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
9	M		39.	Design Professional, CA	Ammann, Parker ‡	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Council
6	F		40.	Development, CA	Port, Brittany	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	1	Mayor
3	F		41.	Business/Landscape, CA	Garcia, Ana	4/4/2022	4/3/2024	2	Mayor/Council
			42.	Get Engaged	Vacant	9/1/2023	8/31/2024		Mayor (SMC 3.51)

New Appointments
Re-appointments
Vacant

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART					(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	4	10	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	8	0	0	1
Council	8	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	2
Joint	6	6	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	4
Total	18	18	0	1	7	3	2	0	0	18	0	0	7

Key:

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

****G** List *gender*, **M** = Male, **F**= Female, **T**= Transgender, **U**= Unknown

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

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.