




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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| Appointee Name: <i>Justin P. Umagat</i> | | |
| Board/Commission Name: <i>Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners</i> | | Position Title: <i>City Council District 1</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment | City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i> | Term of Position: * 4/1/2024 to 3/31/2027 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i> | |
| Residential Neighborhood: Fauntleroy | Zip Code: 98126 | Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED] |
| <p>Background: Justin Umagat has served on the Board of Parks of Recreation Commissioners for three years, including one year as co-chair of the Board. During this time, he has demonstrated careful judgment, an unflinching spirit of collaboration with his fellow Board members, and ceaseless advocacy for children and parents who use Seattle’s Parks and Recreation facilities.</p> <p>A planning manager with KC Metro and a project manager by training, Justin has a clear understanding of the complexities that attend managing a large portfolio of capital projects in a government setting. His experience and expertise has been invaluable to the BPRC on topics ranging from the Metropolitan Park District Cycle 2 Budget Planning, to Off-Leash Dog Park prioritization, to park use and recreation programming recommendations. He naturally seeks to gather a variety of viewpoints and build consensus, weigh all options, and push SPR to make the best decisions for all Seattleites.</p> <p>If reappointed to the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners, Justin will continue to bring the steady hand of experienced leadership and sage counsel to the board room. We look forward to working in collaboration with Justin for three more years.</p> | | |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):  | Appointing Signatory: <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i> | |
| Date Signed (appointed): | | |

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

Justin P. Umagat

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Experienced Executive and trusted strategist/advisor for private and public sectors
- Over 2 decades of public service experience benefiting the entire Puget Sound Region
- Led multiple high-risk and high visibility projects through politically sensitive and ambiguous environments
- Executive level negotiator and communicator with the breadth and depth of knowledge/experience to connect with and captivate a wide range of audiences and stakeholders
- Nationally recognized for contributions to the Public Transit industry: [Mass Transit's Top 40 under 40](#) during tenure at Sound Transit.

RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE:

King County Metro (Seattle, Washington)

December 2022 - present

Rail Division: Strategic Planning Manager – Expansion Strategy

- Executive providing oversight and strategic planning for all Light Rail expansion projects and financial impacts
- Tackles organizational development, change management, and growth strategy as Rail evolves from a small to medium to large size company. Current Operating budget expected to rapidly expand beyond its current \$150M+.
- Identifies problem areas, recommends solutions, creates plans, implements solutions, and tracks progress.
- Builds and manages relationships with a broad range of internal and external stakeholders at all levels enabling a deep understanding of business problems and implementation of lasting solutions
- Manages multiple complex programs for the Rail Division that require coordination and communication with internal and external work groups and partners.
- Created a Workforce Management Plan to strategically approach, prioritize, and manage all staffing needs for ST2 System Expansion. Results included 250 employees hired in 2023 resulting which was a 40% increase in staff 2022 totals. The Plan remains dynamic and will evolve to fill 400+ vacancies by 2026.

Capital Division: Transit Capital Project Manager IV/Transit Engineer V

September 2021 – December 2022

- Plans, manages, and delivers high-risk and highly visible public transit projects in public right of way
- Leads and cultivates a work environment where consultants, contractors and matrixed King County staff are able to maximize their potential, collaborate in work, and focus on shared goals
- Strategically develops long range plans, reports, studies, and correspondence to manage and deliver high-risk Capital Transit projects within budget and schedule in accordance with King County Strategic goals
- Identifies potential issues/conflict and works to tactically mitigate and resolve
- Portfolio: Eastlake Layover Facility (\$25M), Route 48 Electrification (\$14.5M), Route 48 TPMC (\$3M), Route 165/181 (\$7.2M), Madison Corridor Restructure, G Line, and J Line

Huitt-Zollars Inc. (Seattle, Washington)

Senior Project/Program Manager

January 2020 – September 2021

- Pacific Northwest Transit/Transportation sector lead for strategic business development, program/project management, client/stakeholder engagement, and staff development
- Developed, reviewed, and implemented strategic project pursuits, SBE/DBE efforts, and proposal development
- Consistently and successfully interfaced with clients, partnering firms, external and internal stakeholders, and staff representing a myriad of different disciplines to win contracts and deliver high quality products/services

- Provided stakeholder and community engagement, Project/Program management, design and construction document reviews, and strategic plan development for a variety of public/private clients
- Portfolio: Pierce Transit Maintenance Base (\$50M), PennDOT Multimodal Project Management (\$5M), City of Edmonds Citywide Bicycle Improvements (\$1.8M), Multiple Port of Seattle On-Call Contracts (\$2M+ each).

Sound Transit (Seattle, Washington)

January 2013 – January 2020

Executive Department: Program Manager - Rail Activation

- Reporting to the Deputy CEO, programmatically managed matrixed agency budget and staff to strategize, focus, integrate, and allocate resources to complete politically sensitive public transit projects
- Prepared reports, correspondence and presentations to and for use by Senior and Executive leadership and Board of Directors/Elected Officials
- Worked closely with King County Metro to develop and implement comprehensive strategies, integrated schedules, and management plans for Light Rail and Bus expansion start-up and activation
- Communicated, liaised, and coordinated resources and activities with public and private stakeholders (i.e. City of Seattle, Various Fire Department's, King County Metro, Sound Transit Board, large private entities)
- Managed work and relationships with federal/state oversight bodies to obtain Certificates of Occupancy and achieve Operational Readiness
- Project manager for Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel negotiation efforts between ST and King County. Built key relationships within Sound Transit and King County (IT, Metro, FMD, DES) to transfer ownership.
- Sponsored by Deputy CEO, appointed as DSTT Program Administrator and Interim Program Director. Created, defined, and managed goals, program strategy, organizational structure, budget, and change management.
- Managed DSTT efforts to prioritize state of good repair items and complete a full DSTT condition assessment
- Served on the Equitable Employee Experience Committee to identify, develop and improve employee life cycle metrics (recruitment, onboarding, engagement, retention, and separation)
- Selected by Executive Leadership to represent ST in a nationwide multi-agency exchange [EnoMAX program](#)
- Portfolio: East Link (\$3.7B), Tacoma Link (\$478M), DSTT (~\$1B asset, secured \$100M+ in initial funding)

Operations Department: Project Manager - Capital Expansion Projects

- Department liaison for planning, implementation, and transition to operations for Capital Expansion Projects
- Implemented Agency programs while working with project partners, local agencies, and jurisdictions to share knowledge, negotiate issues and develop collaborative relationships
- Solved project delivery issues by reviewing designs, construction documents, permits, coordinating interdepartmental subject matter expert feedback, analyzing data, and negotiating solutions
- Championed the Maintenance and Operations Control Center Modernization Project. Collaborated with key maintenance and operations managers to baseline efforts and guide project goals
- Created and Standardized the Operations Construction Support Process document to communicate the Operations construction support process, the stakeholders, and roles and responsibilities to other departments
- Assisted in the development and implementation of the Five-Year Facilities Capital Program plan and budget
- Portfolio: North Link (\$1.9B), East Link (\$3.7B), and various Operations and Maintenance facilities

Design, Engineering, and Construction Management Department: Systems Integration Engineer

- Oversight of systems engineering design, integration, and construction work including; HVAC and plumbing; fire protection and fire life safety engineering; facility and rail system integration and coordination; system testing requirements and performance; and commissioning. Also served as departmental LEED focal.

- Developed RFP language and participated in selection, evaluation, selection, scope and budget reviews.
- Managed and coordinated engineering solutions between cross functional disciplines, across interagency departments, and with external stakeholders
- Collaborated with local AHJ's to ensure adherence to code requirements and operational best practices
- Negotiated multiple agreements and concurrence letters with Local Authorities for Capital Projects
- Implemented agency wide adaptation of 3D Building Information Modeling (BIM) for project delivery
- Reviewed permits, design, and construction documents related to capital expansion projects

ELECTED/APPOINTED POSITIONS:

Woodland Park Zoo – Board of Directors (Seattle, Washington) - [WPZ website](#)

Board Director (Seattle City Council Appointee) January 2022 – present

- Consults with and makes recommendations to Woodland Park Zoo CEO and President on all zoo business
- Expertise applied to Public Affairs and Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, & Inclusion (Chair) Committees
- Ensures that the organization responsibly and ethically executes business in alignment with the mission and values

Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners (Seattle, Washington) - [BPRC website](#)

Board Co-Chair (Seattle City Council Appointed) April 2022 – present

- Consults with and makes recommendations to Seattle City Council, the Mayor, and the Parks Superintendent regarding policies for the planning, development, operations, and use of the City's park and recreation assets as well as their \$219M Operating and \$109M Capital Budgets
- Recommended the \$780 Million Metropolitan Parks District Cycle 2 to City Council which was successfully approved and adopted on November 29th 2022
- Works to responsibly allocate portions of Seattle property tax collected to fund parks and recreation including maintaining parklands and facilities, operating community centers and recreation programs, and developing new neighborhood parks on previously acquired sites

Associated Recreation Council (Seattle, Washington) - [ARC website](#)

President - Board of Directors (elected) October 2019 – December 2023

- Manages and leads board of directors and committees to establish policy, long-term strategy, organizational development, strategic partnerships, and monitor fiscal stability to advance the mission and vision
- Ensures that Race, Equity, and Social Justice are integrated into every aspect of the organization
- Manages Executive Director and drives direction to up to 1000+ represented and non-represented employees with an organizational annual operating budget of \$13M
- Led and stabilized the organization through political, financial, and operational COVID-19 challenges

BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 126325*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- # 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 | 1 | 1. | At-Large | Ryan Baum | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 1 | Mayor |
| 6 | M | 6 | 2. | At-Large | Joshua Seyfried | 2/21/23 | 3/31/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| 6 | M | 4 | 3. | At-Large | Steve Lerer | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 1 | Mayor |
| 3 | M | 3 | 4. | At-Large | Pasqual Contreras | 2/21/23 | 3/31/26 | 1 | Mayor |
| 6 | F | 3 | 5. | Get Engaged | Lauren Lanham | 9/1/23 | 8/31/24 | 1 | Mayor |
| 2 | F | 4 | 6. | Commission Seat | Tricia Diamond | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 1 | Mayor |
| 1 | M | 7 | 7. | Commission Seat | Phillip Meng | 9/26/23 | 8/31/26 | 1 | Mayor |
| 1 | F | 4 | 8. | Commission Seat | Whitney Nakamura | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 1 | Mayor |
| 7 | M | 1 | 9. | City Council Dist. 1 | Justin P. Umagat | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 2 | City Council |
| | | | 10. | City Council Dist. 2 | Vacant | | | | City Council |
| 6 | M | 3 | 11. | City Council Dist. 3 | John A. Flinn | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 12. | City Council Dist. 4 | Vacant | 4/1/24 | 3/31/27 | | City Council |
| | | | 13. | City Council Dist. 5 | Vacant | | | | City Council |
| 6 | F | 6 | 14. | City Council Dist. 6 | Amy Brockhaus | 4/1/22 | 3/31/25 | 1 | City Council |
| 2 | M | 7 | 15. | City Council Dist. 7 | Stafford Mays | 4/1/22 | 3/31/25 | 1 | City Council |

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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

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.*