




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Molly Spetalnick</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle Design Commission</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Get Engaged Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>	<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 9/1/2021 <b>to</b> 8/31/2022  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Fremont/Ballard</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98107</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <p>Molly Spetalnick is an urban designer whose experience and education span urban design, architecture, landscape architecture, and interior design. Her varied background allows her to approach each urban design project from a variety of scales that benefit accessibility and equitable access, whether she is focusing upon the scale of the transit shed, the scale of the community, or the scale of ergonomic details that support universal design principles.</p> <p>Molly has had the opportunity to apply her Transit Oriented Development Masters research from the University of Texas to her work at Mithun and then at ZGF in Seattle. In her urban design work at ZGF, Molly has a passion for leveraging policy, architecture, landscape architecture, and community engagement to support the development of vibrant, affordable communities near transit stations. Molly splits her time between completing feasibility studies for affordable housing, contributing to pedestrian and bike improvement projects, engaging community groups, and supporting urban design teams across ZGF offices as they integrate urban design data into their workflow and human-centered design approach.</p> <p>Molly looks forward to the opportunity to contribute to the Seattle Design Commission through thoughtful review of projects' public benefit. She has experienced the value of the Commission's work through her work on the Pike Pine Streetscape and Bicycle Improvements Project during her time at ZGF, and she hopes to provide similarly useful direction to other projects alongside the talented group of current Commissioners.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b> 3/7/2022	<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i>  <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>	

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



## EDUCATION

[GRADUATED MAY 2019] **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN**, SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE  
Master of Architecture

[GRADUATED MAY 2014] **UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA**, LAMAR DODD SCHOOL OF ART  
BFA in Interior Design, Graduated Cum Laude

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

[AUG 2019-PRESENT] **ZGF ARCHITECTS**. URBAN DESIGNER, ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNER. [SEATTLE, WA]  
-Youth Achievement Center: Established a relationship between ZGF and Africatown Community Land Trust in order to request that ZGF provide pro bono conceptual massing studies and community engagement for the Youth Achievement Center in Columbia City. Underwent robust community engagement with youth community members, Community Passageways, and Creative Justice in order to carry youth vision through conceptual design process and Office of Housing funding submission.  
-Pike Pine Streetscape and Bicycle Improvements Project: Completed CD set and presentations for 30%-60% Design and completing 90-100% Design of Pike Pine Streetscape and Bike Improvements Project alongside SDOT, The Office of the Waterfront, and DSA.  
-Sound Transit TOD Inventory: Completed code review and massing studies for Sound Transit Surplus Properties to review opportunities for affordable housing, market rate housing, and office. Collaborated with Hatch economists to weigh economic, social, and environmental benefits of development alternatives. Mapped walkshed and multimodal access to sites within ½ mile walkshed of transit stations. Mapped “underutilized parcels” near transit stations.  
-Lead Urban Design Tools & Technologies working group in order to support Urban Design teams and pursuits in all ZGF offices. Collaborate with ZGF Data & Strategy Team and Project Performance Team to share and solidify best practices in urban design data and tools use.

[MAY-DEC 2018] **MITHUN**. ARCHITECTURAL INTERN. [SEATTLE, WA]  
-Collaborated with array of teams within interdisciplinary architecture, urban design, landscape architecture, and interior design firm  
-Compiled GIS maps and organized submittal for winning Delridge West Seattle urban design and infrastructure RFP for SPU  
-Created visualization materials for architecture, landscape architecture, and urban design projects  
-Completed SD phase presentations, 3D models, diagrams, and research in collaboration with landscape architecture team

[JULY 2014 - JULY 2015] **MARK WORD DESIGN**. LANDSCAPE DESIGNER. [AUSTIN, TX]  
-Designed exterior spaces within collaborative and cross-disciplinary landscape architecture firm  
-Engaged in permitting process and developed interest in the implications of land development code on the design of public space  
-Coordinated design and construction within design-build landscape architecture firm and with architects, engineers, & subcontractors

[FEB 2015] **ARTISTREE HOMES**. FREELANCE DRAFTER [CYPRESS VALLEY, TX]  
-Drafted permitting set for two eco hotel tree houses

[AUG 2013 - JULY 2014] **BORK DESIGN INC.** INTERN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNER. [ATHENS, GA]  
-Participated in design of energy efficient contemporary homes that address local material use and cost

[JAN 2013] **US INSPECT**. FREELANCE SITE SURVEYOR. [ATHENS, GA]

[DEC 2012 - JAN 2013] **LEVINO-JONES MEDICAL INTERIORS, INC.** INTERIOR DESIGN INTERN. [ATLANTA, GA]

## PUBLICATIONS

[2020] **21BB MODEL REGION BERLIN BRANDENBURG** EDITED BY BARBARA HOIDN AND WILFRIED WANG  
-Contributed the section “Densifying the Köpenicker Landstraße: Transit Oriented Development as a Strategy to Densify Köpenicker Landstraße”  
-Demonstrated the ability to accommodate a population increase of 117,500 people along a transit corridor through transit oriented development nodes that respect the fabric of their neighborhoods. This strategy, if applied across multiple transit lines, would help accommodate a population increase of 1.5 million people without sacrificing the character of Berlin’s urban neighborhoods.

## VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

- [2018-2019] **AIA COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS / BENEFITS LAW CENTER.** DESIGNER. [SEATTLE, WA]  
-Designed the Justice Bus, a flagship mobile law office that provides social security advocacy for people with disabilities who are low income or experiencing homelessness. Mobile legal unit was designed with Erica Bush and David Judge.
- [OCT 2017] **CAMP ARANZASU HURRICANE HARVEY CLEANUP.** UTSOA VOLUNTEER. [ROCKPORT, TX]
- [AUG 2016] **CITY OF AUSTIN: CODENEXT PUBLIC DISCUSSION: MOBILITY.** SCRIBE. [AUSTIN, TX]  
-Gauged community use of transportation and presented findings of community engagement  
-Organized public responses into categories that apply to new land development code
- [2010 – 2014] **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY.** VOLUNTEER. [ATLANTA, GA; ATHENS, GA]

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- [JAN - MAY 2019] **BARCELONA AND MADRID TRANSIT RESEARCH** FOR DANIELLE BRISCOE [SPAIN]  
-Alongside the consortium for Cooperative Mobility for Competitive Megaregions (CM2), researched accessibility and user experience for pedestrian transit riders in metro stations throughout Barcelona and Madrid and in high speed rail stations that connect the two cities.
- [MARCH 2018 - MAY 2019] **RESILIENCE RESEARCH FOR FLOOD AND DROUGHT CONDITIONS** [MEXICO CITY, MEXICO]  
-Traveled to Mexico City to conduct case study research about landscape, architectural, infrastructural responses to flooding, drought, subsidence, and failing water infrastructure  
-Met with landscape architects who address on site water reuse and aquifer recharge  
-Visited case study sites at landscape and architectural scale  
-Met with nonprofits that install rainwater catchment systems in informal development areas
- [SEPT - DEC 2017] **BERLIN URBAN DESIGN RESEARCH** FOR WILFRIED WANG [BERLIN, GERMANY]  
-Conducted urban design research to support Wilfried Wang's research objectives for transit oriented densification for 2050 Berlin  
-Designed an urban strategy for a 13 kilometer transit corridor and six served regions  
-Conducted Space Syntax studies to quantify multimodal connectivity and to determine ideal block sizes for an existing urban typology  
-Prepared boards for public opening in Berlin (2019), for the exhibition "urbainable-stadthaltig" at the Academy of Arts, Berlin (2020).  
-Provided comprehensive research that will be shared with local politicians to inform opportunities to accommodate population growth.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- [FEB 2019] **TAU SIGMA DELTA HONOR SOCIETY** IN ARCHITECTURE & ALLIED ARTS
- [JUNE 2018] **SCHOLARSHIP FOR DESIGN FUTURES PUBLIC INTEREST DESIGN CONFERENCE** [DETROIT]  
CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- [MARCH 2018] **INDEPENDENT RESEARCH TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP** [MEXICO CITY]  
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- [DEC 2017] **DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARD**  
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- [AUG 2017 - MAY 2018] **SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE CONTINUING FELLOWSHIP**  
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- [MAY 2016] **DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARDS NOMINEE**  
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- [AUG 2013 - MAY 2014] **VINCE DOOLEY DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERIOR DESIGN**  
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
- [JUNE - AUG 2013] **SCHOLARSHIP STIPEND** FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA CAMPUS IN CORTONA, ITALY
- [AUG 2010 - MAY 2014] **HOPE SCHOLARSHIP** FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



## REFERENCES

### STEVEN LEWIS.



Urban Design Principal at ZGF Architects, Los Angeles.  
Former Urban Design Director for the Central District City of Detroit Planning and Development Department  
Former President of NOMA (National Organization of Minority Architects)

### DAVID GRANT.



Urban Design Associate Principal at ZGF Architects.  
Landscape Architect

### FLAVIA GREY RODRIGUEZ



Data and Strategy Team Lead, Associate Principal at ZGF Architects.

### JEROME UNTERREINER



Urban Design Principal at ZGF Architects, Seattle.

# Seattle Design Commission

[Insert number of members] Members: Pursuant to [insert Ordinance/ Resolution number], [insert # of members subject to Council confirmation or type "all"] members subject to City Council confirmation, [insert number of years for each term]-year terms:

- # City Council-appointed
- # 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
6	M	3	1.	Urban Planner	Adam Amrhein	3/1/21	2/28/23	1	Mayor
6	F	2	2.	Get Engaged	Molly Spetalnick	9/1/21	8/31/22	1	Mayor
2	M	2	3.	Engineer /Chair (Civil/Transportation)	Justin Clark	3/1/20	2/28/22	2	Mayor
6	M	4	4.	At Large	Jill Crary	3/1/21	2/28/23	1	Mayor
			5.	Architect	vacant	3/1/22	2/28/24	1	Mayor
5	F	5	6.	Landscape Architect	Vinita Sidhu	3/1/21	2/28/23	2	Mayor
6	F	6	7.	Architect	Elaine Wine	3/1/21	2/28/23	2	Mayor
			8.	Urban Designer	vacant	3/1/22	2/28/24	1	Mayor
6	F	6	9.	Planner (Civil/Transportation)	Amalia Leighton Cody	3/1/21	2/28/23	2	Mayor
6	F	NA	10.	Fine Artist	Elizabeth Conner	3/1/20	2/28/22	1	Mayor
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## 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	3	5				1			1	6			
Council													
Other													
Total													

## 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.