




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Matthew Mitnick		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Seattle Human Rights Commission		<b>Position Title:</b> Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Date Appointed:</b>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 7/23/2022 <b>to</b> 7/22/2024  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> University District	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98195	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b>
<b>Background:</b> <p>Matthew Mitnick (he/him) is a renter, transit rider, and labor organizer who is working to design innovative solutions that counter the structural challenges inherent within public policy. He recently worked on the Emergency Housing Voucher program for the King County Housing Authority, connecting clients to navigation services and assisting them through the emergency housing voucher process. Currently, he is a Master of Public Administration student at the University of Washington's Evans School of Public Policy &amp; Governance. Matthew is a graduate student representative on the Student Senate and Services &amp; Activities Fee Committee, advocating for affordable housing, workers' rights, and funding for critical student services such as the Childcare Assistance Program and Ethnic Cultural Center.</p> <p>Matthew's greatest passion is local government. His interest in making local government more accessible, incorporating diverse public input into policy, and creating positive change within the community drive his work. Matthew is organizing with student leaders to bring Alternative Emergency Services and a student-run Community Land Trust to the U-District. Prior to moving to Seattle, Matthew earned his Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. As an undergraduate, he drafted Health and Safety strategies for the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan, interned on the Los Angeles Mayor's Housing Team, and represented his peers as Student Body President.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b> 	<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Tammy J. Morales Councilmember, District 2	

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

# MATTHEW MITNICK

## EDUCATION

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UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Daniel J. Evans School Seattle, WA  
Master's of Public Administration, Metropolitan & Regional Policy Concentration (GPA: 3.63) Class of 2023

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN—MADISON Madison, WI  
Bachelor's of Arts in Political Science, Certificate in Public Policy (GPA: 3.85) May 2021

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE Seattle, WA  
Representative for the Evans School October 2021-Present

- Designed and secured initial funding for Alternative Emergency Services Pilot Program in the University District
- Disseminated \$2 million through COVID-19 Mitigation Fund to student-led organizations with pandemic challenges

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON Seattle, WA  
Teaching Associate, Religion & World Politics January 2022-March 2022

KING COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY Seattle, WA  
Emergency Housing Voucher / Customer Support Intern November 2021-February 2022

- Coordinated voucher issuance, including briefing documents, welcome emails, and rental estimate sheets
- Point of contact for clients and case managers regarding vouchers and navigation services for financial assistance

COLLEEN ECHOHAWK FOR SEATTLE MAYOR Seattle, WA  
Field Organizer May 2021-August 2021

- Hired and managed a field staff of 10, setting an organizational vision
- Conducted targeted voter outreach by creating canvass routes, overseeing text strategy, and knocking on 11,000 doors
- Assisted the drafting of an Emergency Housing Action Plan to bring the unhoused inside within 14 months

CITY OF MADISON / UNIVER-CITY ALLIANCE Madison, WI  
Project Lead Intern February 2021-April 2021

- Drafted the Safety Strategies and Actions section of the Imagine Madison Comprehensive Plan
- Identified existing strategies and actions in Planning Department elements for cross referencing
- Interviewed agency heads and tracked public feedback at community meetings to create a human-centered design

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON Madison, WI  
Student Body President September 2020-April 2021

- Elected to represent over 43,000 students, leading the Student Council of 33 students
- Managed \$1.2 million budget, designed \$2 million Student Relief Fund, negotiated pay for international student telecommuters, and secured \$750K in funding for Crisis Response Team

LOS ANGELES MAYOR'S OFFICE OF CITY HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES Los Angeles, CA  
Housing Team Intern April 2020-August 2020

- Drafted a declaration to go before State Court in opposition to the evictions of mixed-status families
- Wrote three memos on how City departments leveraged technology to better innovate during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Covered Citizens Oversight Committee on Proposition HHH dollars, as well as Project Roomkey & Homekey updates

CITY OF MADISON (Mayoral Appointment from Mayor Rhodes-Conway) Madison, WI  
Public Safety Review Committee Member, Police Budget Subcommittee Chair December 2019-April 2021

- Co-authored 48-page Roadmap to the Madison Police Department's Budget; chaired a Public Hearing on it
- Recommended adoption of Civilian Oversight Board to create community oversight over the police department

## ADDITIONAL PROJECTS, CAMPAIGNS, COMMITTEES, & OTHER EXPERIENCE

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Projects: Student-Led Community Land Trust (Co-Founder), U-District Alternative Emergency Services (Lead Sponsor)  
University of Washington Committees: Graduate & Professional Student Senate, Finance & Budget Committee, Services & Activities Fee Committee, Alternative Emergency Services Ad Hoc Committee (Chair), Legislative Advisory Board

