



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Human Services, Labor, and Economic Development Committee

Agenda

Friday, July 17, 2026

9:30 AM

Council Chamber, City Hall
600 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

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Committee Website:

<https://seattle.gov/council/human-services-labor-and-economic-development>

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A. Call To Order

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

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D. Items of Business

1. [CB 121225](#) **An ordinance relating to City employment; establishing the new Information Technology (IT) Talent Modernization classification title structure and corresponding rates of pay for IT positions across City departments.**

Attachments: [Att 1 – Information Technology Talent Modernization Classification Program](#)
 [Att 2 – Information Technology Talent Modernization Compensation Grade Structure](#)

Supporting Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note Presentation](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote (25 min)

Presenters: Kimberly Loving and William Winfield, Seattle Department of Human Resources (SDHR); Shannon Smith and Will Smith, Seattle Information Technology (Seattle IT)

2. Briefing on Commercial Affordability for Small Businesses

Supporting
Documents: [Presentation](#)

Briefing and Discussion (30 min)

Presenters: Beto Yarce, Director, Heidi Hall, and Broderick Hutchins,
Office of Economic Development (OED)

3. Roundtable on Commercial Affordability

Briefing and Discussion (40 min)

Presenters: Shanti Breznau, Shanti Breznau Consulting; Gabriel
Neuman, Greater Seattle Business Association (GSBA); Jiaxin Wang,
Ooink Ramen; Nikita Mathis, Platinum Plush Fashions

E. Adjournment