



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Spencer Alan Williams		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Planning Commission		Position Title: member, position 13
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		Term of Office: Term start date upon appointment Term end date 4/15/18
Residential Neighborhood: Pioneer Square	Zip Code: 98104	Contact Phone No.: (206) 434-0681
Legislated Authority: <i>SMC 3.64 and City Planning Commission</i>		
Background: Mr. Williams is an urban designer and planner with Futurewise where he has developed policies for King County Comprehensive Plans as well as a health and equity assessment for the City of Seattle focusing on service provision, investment strategies, growth management metrics, policy development and implementing actions. He has also worked as a planner for the City of Portland. Mr. Williams currently serves as the Vice Chair for Policy within the Black Community Division of the American Planning Association (terms end in March of this year)		
Date of Appointment: 4/30/15	Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: Councilmember Mike O'Brien Chair, Planning, Land Use and Sustainability Committee

Spencer Alan Williams, AICP, Assoc. AIA

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EXPERIENCE

Urban Designer & Planner

Futurewise

JUNE 2014-Present

- Public engagement on health and equity in comprehensive planning for the Cities of Kent, Tukwila, and Seattle including festivals, surveys, and interactive planning games
- Policy development for King County Comprehensive Plans
- Event planning for an urban design lab with Charles Montgomery, author of *Happy City*
- Health and Equity assessment for City of Seattle focusing on service provision, investment strategies, growth management metrics, policy development and implementing actions.

Associate Planner

City of Portland, Urban Design Studio
Bureau of Planning and Sustainability

JULY 2013-JUNE 2014

- Comprehensive Plan Update: corridor and center typologies and policy refinement,
- Development of Citywide Urban Design Framework:
- Continuation of growth scenario analysis: Coordination with interagency partners to run regional transportation model with alternative growth patterns and investment strategies (trip generation, vehicle miles traveled, mode split, problem intersections) to achieve performance outcomes; and
- Exploration of alternative mobility strategies for Division-Midway, in partnership with Portland Bureau of Transportation: emphasis on pedestrian and bike access and safety, emergency response, and future development and investment strategies.

Associate Planner

City of Portland, Bureau of Planning and
Sustainability

JULY 2011-JUNE 2013

- Developed a set of Portland building prototypes & growth scenarios for use with "Envision Tomorrow" (a GIS & Excel based modeling to assess return on investment, energy performance, affordability modeling);
- Conducted research, policy evaluation (including the review of existing neighborhood plans, policy examples from other communities, and scholarly articles as well as GIS and statistical evaluations for Central City 2035, North-Northeast Quadrant Plan, and Comprehensive Plan update;
- Developed graphic/urban design solutions (site specific, diagrammatic, etc. to reflect neighborhood sensitivities and priorities); analysis of impact of new parking policy within commercial main streets (affordability, site design, pedestrian movement, relationship between public and private real).

Urban Form Intern

City of Portland, Bureau of Planning and
Sustainability

SEPT 2009-JUNE 2011

- Designed outreach materials for public workshops, including graphics and text for web and print;
- Worked with a multidisciplinary, inter-bureau team to explore creative urban design strategies and solutions for ensuring that right-of-way improvements are aligned with development opportunities;
- Supervised staff of Youth Planning Program and assisted in planning activities, capacity building, as well as training for organizations on how to effectively engage youth;
- Planned and staffed citywide public meetings w/over 200 attendees and designed outreach game to gain input on public priorities for citywide actions/strategies;
- Developed and gave presentations about greenway strategies and other complex issues to a variety of stakeholder groups; as well as
- Worked on Healthy Connected City Strategy for Portland's 25-year strategic plan, the Portland Plan.

Urban Design Intern

Fregonese Associates

OCT 2008-AUG 2009

- Prepared maps, posters, and graphics for workshop materials, newsletters, and website;
- Developed maps, posters, diagrams and 3D visualizations to illustrate various growth & development scenarios at multiple scales; and
- Researched urban design solutions for transportation, bicycle, and pedestrian infrastructure

EDUCATION	Master of Urban and Regional Planning <i>Specialization in Community Development</i>	Portland State University	2011
	Bachelors of Fine Arts in Architecture	Savannah College of Art and Design	2008
MAJOR PUBLICATIONS	<i>Growth Scenarios Report</i>	BPS	2013
	<i>Cost of Onsite Parking and Impacts on Affordability</i>	BPS	2013
	<i>Central City 2035: Northeast Quadrant Plan</i>	BPS	2012
	<i>City of Redmond, OR: Bicycle Refinement Plan</i>	PSU	2011
	<i>Sunset Junction Streetscape and Transportation Vision</i>	Fregonese Associates Los Angeles, CA	2010
SIGNIFIGANT PROJECTS + OUTREACH EFFORTS	Comprehensive Plan Update: District Mapping Conversations	BPS	2013
	Growth Scenario Breakout Sessions	BPS	2013
	Portland Plan Survey Design, Tabling + Workshops	BPS	2011-12
	Planning + the Black Community Presentation	APA National Conference New Orleans, LA	2010
	PlaniTulsa: City of Tulsa Strategic Plan Small Area Plans	Fregonese Associates Tulsa, OK	2009

SKILLS Proficient in Google Sketch Up, AutoCAD, Adobe Creative Suite, Microsoft Office Suite, SPSS, ArcGIS, as well as graphic and model production, meeting facilitation, and youth engagement.

Seattle Planning Commission

[Sixteen] members: Per Seattle Municipal Code 3.64.010, 3.64.020, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2, three-year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed (includes 1 Get Engaged member who serves a term of 1 year)
- 1 Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Seattle Planning Commission

Roster:

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
9	F	1.	Member	Lauren Craig	Upon appointment	4/15/16	1	City Council
6	F	2.	Member	Amalia Leighton	10/6/14	4/15/16	2	Mayor
6	M	3.	Member	Tim Parham	5/28/13	4/15/16	1	City Council
6	F	4.	Member	Jeanne Krikawa	5/28/13	4/15/16	2	Mayor
5	F	5.	Member	Marjorie Press	5/28/13	4/15/16	1	City Council
1	F	6.	Member	Grace H. Kim	10/6/14	4/15/17	1	Mayor
6	F	7.	Member	Kara Martin	10/6/14	4/15/17	1	City Council
6	M	8.	Member	David Shelton	10/6/14	4/15/17	1	Mayor
6	F	9.	Member	Patricia Wilma	10/6/14	4/15/17	1	City Council
1	M	10.	Member	Michael Austin	10/6/14	4/15/17	1	Mayor
1	M	11.	Member	Yolanda Kit Ling Ho	Upon appointment	4/15/18	1	City Council
3	M	12.	Member	Luis F. Borrero	Upon appointment	4/15/18	2	Mayor
2	M	13.	Member	Spencer Williams	Upon appointment	4/15/18	1	City Council
5	F	14.	Member	Sandra Fried	Upon appointment	4/15/18	1	Mayor
6	M	15.	Member	Jake McKinstry	Upon appointment	4/15/18	1	Seattle Planning Commission
6	F	16	Get Engaged Member	Lauren Squires	10/6/14	9/15	1	Mayor

Diversity Chart:

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	***Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor	2	5	0		2		1		1	4								
Council	4	4	0		1	1			1	3								1
Other	1	0	0							1								
Total	7	9	0		3	1	1		2	8								1

Key:

- *D List the corresponding Diversity Chart number (1 through 9)
- **G List gender, M or F
- ***Other Includes diversity in any of the following: race, gender and/or ability