



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Max Chandrasekaran</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Youth Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input 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: 9/01/2024 to 8/31/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>District 7</i>	Zip Code:	Contact Phone No.: <i>Business phone # - NOT personal phone #</i>
Background: <p>Max Chandrasekaran is a 15-year-old student at Lakeside School and a member of the Seattle Youth Commission. He is passionate about civic involvement, transportation, and making Seattle's neighborhoods, especially downtown, more welcoming, vibrant, and safe for everyone.</p> <p>Outside the Commission, Max is the first Youth Ambassador to the Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce, where he helps organize community events and bring together businesses and residents. He also volunteers at the Queen Anne Farmers Market, and hosts <i>Final Approach</i>, an aviation podcast where he interviews industry leaders and explores transportation and safety issues.</p> <p>As a Youth Commissioner, Max hopes to strengthen youth voices in city government and work on projects that improve the daily life of Seattle's communities in District 7.</p>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  <i>Maritza Rivera</i> (11/21/2025 14:49:58 PST) Date Signed (appointed):		Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Maritza Rivera</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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

Max Chandrasekaran

Professional Summary

Engaged student and civic leader with experience in youth representation, journalism, and community engagement. Appointed Seattle Youth Commissioner for District 7 and the first youth ambassador to the Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce. Founder and host of *Final Approach*, an aviation podcast highlighting industry leaders, policymakers, and journalists. Skilled in organizing community programs, building partnerships, and amplifying youth voices. Passionate about strengthening Seattle communities and advancing public conversations on aviation, transportation, and civic issues.

Experience

Seattle Youth Commission — District 7

Youth Commissioner | Aug 2025 – Present

- Represent District 7 youth perspectives in city policy discussions.
- Collaborate with peers and city officials on initiatives to improve civic engagement, transportation, and community safety.
- Advise on programs that impact young people across Seattle.

Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce

Youth Ambassador | 2024 – Present

- First youth ambassador in chamber history.
- Organize community gatherings, promote local businesses, and represent youth perspectives in chamber initiatives.
- Support partnerships between youth, business owners, and civic leaders.

Final Approach Podcast

Founder & Host | 2022 – Present

- Produce and host interviews with aviation leaders, policymakers, and journalists.

- Manage outreach, guest booking, research, and production.
- Built a growing audience and secured media attention from industry publications.

Queen Anne Farmers Market

Volunteer | 2018 – Present

- Support community farmers market operations, engaging with vendors and neighbors.
 - Assist in planning and execution of local events.
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Projects

- **Public Safety & Aviation Advocacy** – Wrote letters to senior transportation officials, including FAA Administrator Chris Rocheleau and Transportation Secretary Duffy, addressing unsafe aviation conditions, highlighting youth perspectives in safety reform.
 - **Community Engagement Events** – Organized neighborhood gatherings through Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce to strengthen community ties and youth involvement.
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Education

Lakeside School — Seattle, WA

Student | 2029

Skills

- Public speaking & youth advocacy
- Journalism & podcast production
- Community organizing & outreach
- Research & policy analysis
- Partnership building

Seattle Youth Commission

Fifteen Members: Pursuant to [Ordinance 125029](#), all members subject to City Council confirmation for two-year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed

Roster: Updated Aug. 26, 2025

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
1;4	U	1	1	District 1	Max Tagsip	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1	U	2	2	District 2	Audrey Mai Trinen	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1;5	U	3	3	District 3	Harrison Sumner	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
5	U	4	4	District 4	Penelope Harrington	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1	U	5	5	District 5	Aicha Sinha-Khan	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1	U	6	6	District 6	Sabi Yoon	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1	U	7	7	District 7	Max Chandrasekaran	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	City Council
1	U	2	8	At-Large	Bill Chen	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
5	U	4	9	At-Large	Caleb Goldberg	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
3	U	4	10	At-Large	Mohini Kaplan	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
1	U	1	11	At-Large	Koreb Tadesse	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
5	U	5	12	At-Large	Anya Peterson	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
1	U	6	13	At-Large	Lila Fu	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
3	U	7	14	At-Large	Juliana Ariza	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor
1	U	7	15	At-Large	Saniata Salva	9/1/24	8/31/26	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ 2S / U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern
Mayor				8	3	1	2		3		
Council				7	6			1	2		
Total				15	9	1	2	1	5		

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 7)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary 2S= Two Spirit U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.