

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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2:00 PM

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

City Council

Joy Hollingsworth, Council President

Dionne Foster, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Eddie Lin, Member

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

Chair Info: 206-684-8803; Joy.Hollingsworth@seattle.gov

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on April 14, 2026, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m., with Council President Hollingsworth presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Excused: 1 - Kettle

C. PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember Rinck presented a proclamation recognizing April 14, 2026, as the 51st anniversary of the Khmer Rouge genocide. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Councilmember Rinck to present the proclamation, and to allow Sorn Ros, Cambodian American Community Council of Washington; Jenny Ap, Cambodian American Advocacy for Peace; Sameth Mell, Spean Rajana; Suorsday Kadenn Sou, Khmer Student Association (KhSA); Many Uch, Khmer Anti-Deportation and Advocacy Group; and Thyda Chhom, Khmer Community of Seattle-King County, to address the Council.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Yazmin Mehdi
Margaret Shield
Carolyn Malone
Yvette Dinish
Cailin Schupbach
Hannah Hutchins
Marta Kidane
Cara Williams
Alisa Scott
Kathy Bentson
Corrina Chatterton
Lydia O'Taylor
Patty Malone
Anitra Freeman
Elisha Burton
Ameen Hassan
Terry Rollison
Charlotte Phillippe
Jesara Schroeder
Rich Simms
Jim Baines
Howard Gale
Aries LaLonde
Mark Garrett
Jeff Paul
Kelly Merdinger
Nathan Wall
Kate Rubin
David Haines
David Gill
Mia Foster
Genevieve Courtney
Bruce Drager
Aidan Carroll
Maureen Brinck-Lund
Marissa Costarella Preece
Alberto Alvarez
Joe Kunzler

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 519](#) **April 14, 2026**

By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 3, Appointment 3470 was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Motion was made by Council President Hollingsworth, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar, excluding item 3, Appointment 3470.

Journal:

1. [Min 563](#) **April 7, 2026**

The Minutes were adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

Bills:

2. [CB 121194](#) **An ordinance appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of March 30, 2026, through April 3, 2026, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Council Bill (CB) was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

Appointments:

GOVERNANCE AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

- 4. [Appt 03472](#) **Appointment of Andrea Lino as member, Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, for a term to December 31, 2028.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

- 5. [Appt 03473](#) **Appointment of Anita Khandelwal as member, Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

HUMAN SERVICES, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

6. [Appt 03457](#) Reappointment of Juan C. Rodriguez as member, Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to February 29, 2028.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka
Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

7. [Appt 03458](#) Reappointment of Fynniecko Glover Jr. as member, Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to February 28, 2029.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka
Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

8. [Appt 03459](#) Reappointment of Eliana Horn as member, Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to February 28, 2029.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka
Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

9. [Appt 03460](#) **Reappointment of Tiffany Kelly-Gray as member, Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to February 28, 2029.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

10. [Appt 03461](#) **Reappointment of Stephanie Lachman as member, Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to February 28, 2029.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY LEVY:

1. [CB 121181](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to regular property taxes; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City at an election to be held on August 4, 2026, of a proposition authorizing the City to levy regular property taxes for up to seven years in excess of the limitation on levies in chapter 84.55 RCW for the purpose of sustaining investments in Library operating hours, collections, technology, programming, and maintenance while expanding access to opportunity through Library materials, technology, and undertaking a seismic retrofit of one Library facility; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 7 - Rivera, Hollingsworth, Foster, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Motion was made by Councilmember Rivera and duly seconded to amend Section 1 of Council Bill 121181 as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

D. "Library levy funding amount" means not less than ~~\$410,000,000~~ \$479,760,000 of the increased levy amount over seven years resulting from the proposition's passage.

The motion carried by the following vote:

In favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed as amended by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

By unanimous consent, Order of Business item I, Items Removed from Consent Calendar, was considered out of order.

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

3. [Appt 03470](#) **Appointment of Evan M. Smith as member, Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: 3 - Foster, Lin, Rinck

By unanimous consent, Councilmember Rivera was excused from the remainder of the April 14, 2026, City Council meeting.

Present: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Excused: 2 - Kettle, Rivera

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**FINANCE, NATIVE COMMUNITIES, AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS COMMITTEE:**

2. [CB 121184](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to leases; expanding the Director of Finance and Administrative Services' authority to execute leases when the land is used for transitional encampment purposes; amending Section 3.127.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

3. [CB 121185](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the City's response to homelessness; amending Ordinance 127362, which adopted the 2026 Budget, including the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

4. [CB 121187](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to acceptance of funding from non-City sources; authorizing the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to accept and authorize the expenditure of specified grants, private funding, and subsidized loans and to execute, deliver, and perform corresponding agreements; amending Ordinance 127362, which adopted the 2026 Budget, including the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; revising project allocations for certain projects in the 2026-2031 CIP; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

GOVERNANCE AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

5. [CB 121192](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the General Manager and CEO of Seattle Public Utilities to accept slope stabilization easements within two parcels of private property identified as King County Parcel Number 6844703215 located at 3822 NE 91st Street, and King County Parcel Number 6844703295 located at 3832 NE 91st Street; placing the properties under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

6. [CB 121193](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the acquisition of certain real property rights by negotiation or eminent domain (condemnation) of two parcels of land (Properties) identified as King County Parcel Number 4265700090 and King County Parcel Number 4265700085, both located at South Director Street; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Seattle Public Utilities or designee to execute all documents and take other necessary actions to complete both Properties' fee acquisition; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

7. [Res 32199](#) **A resolution setting the public hearing on the petition of The Yew, LLC, for the vacation of the remaining portion of the alley lying within Block 2, Wegener's Addition to the City of Seattle, in the Greenwood neighborhood, according to Chapter 35.79 of the Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 15.62 of the Seattle Municipal Code, and Clerk File 314530.**

Motion was made by Council President Hollingsworth and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32199.

The Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

K. OTHER BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, Councilmember Strauss was excused from the April 28, 2026, City Council meeting.

By unanimous consent, Councilmember Juarez was excused from the April 28, 2026, City Council meeting.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Phillip Wood-Smith, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on April 21, 2026.

Joy Hollingsworth, Council President of the City Council