




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Vernon Abelsen		
Board/Commission Name: Historic Seattle Preservation & Development Authority		Position Title: Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: PDA Governing Council	Date Appointed: 11/1/2019	Term of Position: * 12/1/2019 to 11/30/2023
Residential Neighborhood: Lake City	Zip Code: 98119	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: See Attached Resume		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: David Yeaworth Historic Seattle Council Chair	

VERNON M. ABELSEN

Experience

2013 - 2019	Architect	Seattle
1996 - 2013	Associate - SMR Architects, PLLC	Seattle
1994 - 1996	Project Manager - John Cheney Architects	Mount Vernon
1992 - 1994	Intern Architect/ Job Captain - Zervas Group Architects	Bellingham
1992	Intern Architect - John Stewart Architects	Bellingham
1991 - 1992	Designer - Alton Hooten Architects	Portland, OR
1988 - 1991	Graduate School	
1986 - 1988	Drafter/model builder - SERA Architects	Portland, OR

Education

M. Arch	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Tau Sigma Delta (National Architectural Honorary) National AIA Institute Scholar	graduated 1991
B.S. Art	Portland State University	graduated 1988
A.S. Science	Victoria College (Texas)	graduated 1986

Architect License - State of Washington

1998

Past projects (a sample)

Public Works - government

Historic Preservation - King County Courthouse	Seattle
Building Renovation - Skagit County Juvenile Detention Facility	Mount Vernon

Public Works - Schools

New - Little Mountain Elementary	Mount Vernon
Various locations and work scope, including Building Additions - Blaine H. S. classrooms	Whatcom County Blaine
Building modernization - U of W Terry Hall elevators	Seattle

Housing - multi-family

New - Frederic Ozanam House	Seattle
Building Rehabilitation - St. Charles Hotel	Seattle
Historic Rehabilitation - Naval Station family housing	Bremerton

Housing - single-family

New - Sanders Residence	Ferndale
Building Addition - Abelsen/McCormick home	Seattle

Religious

Exterior restoration Trinity Parish Episcopal church	Ferndale
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Retail

New - Whatcom County Credit Union - offices	Bellingham
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Cultural

Site restoration/memorial - Western State Hospital	Sedro Woolley
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Volunteering (recent)

2019	Olympic Stadium - Measure, document conditions	Hoquiam
2017-2019	Historic Seattle - Council member	Seattle
2015-2017	Historic Seattle - Foundation Board member	
2012-2019	Architects Without Borders - member	Seattle
2004 -2011	Landmarks Preservation Board (Chair 2010-11)	Seattle

Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority

12 Members: Pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 and SMC 3.110, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 4-year terms:

- 4 Mayor- appointed
- 8 Other Appointing Authority: 4- PDA Governing Council, 4- PDA Constituency

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M		1.	Chair	David Yeaworth	11/30/16	11/30/20	1	Constituency
6	F		2.	Member	Stephanie Smith Toothman	11/30/16	11/30/20	1	Mayor
6	F		3.	Member	Katheryn H. Krafft	12/1/18	11/30/22	3	Constituency
6	M		4.	Member	Vernon M. Abelsen	12/1/19	11/30/23	2	Governing Council
2	F		5.	Member	Krista Whitters	11/30/16	11/30/20	1	Mayor
6	F		6.	Treasurer	Connie Walker-Gray	12/1/17	11/30/21	2	Constituency
6	M		7.	Member	Michael Powe	11/30/16	11/30/20	6	Governing Council
6	F		8.	Member	Mary McCumber	12/1/18	11/30/22	6	Governing Council
6	M		9.	Member	Pete Mills	12/1/17	11/30/21	6	Governing Council
1	F		10.	Member	Valerie Tran	12/1/19	11/30/23	2	Mayor
6	M		11.	Secretary	Rick Sever	12/1/19	11/30/23	5	Constituency
6	F		12.	Member	Alyssa Mehl	11/30/15	11/30/19	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor		1			1	1				2								
Council	2	2								4								
Other	2	2								4								
Total	4	8			1	1				10								

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary, O= Other, U= Unknown

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

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.