

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



## Journal of the Proceedings of the Seattle City Council

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

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](mailto: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 May 19, 2026, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Hollingsworth presiding.

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

**Late Arrival:** 1 - Juarez

*Councilmember Juarez joined the meeting at 2:03 p.m.*

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

Council President Hollingsworth presented a proclamation proclaiming May 19, 2026, to be "State Champion Rainier Beach Boys' Basketball Day." By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Council President Hollingsworth to present the proclamation, and to allow Coach Mike Bethea to address the Council.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Ashley Nerbovig  
Ivan Gerdes  
Anitra Freeman  
Greg Greer  
Tara Miller  
Julia Beabout  
Charles Kight  
Yvette Dinish  
Ruth Dight  
Denise Perez Lally  
Marta Kidane  
Cara Williams  
Scott Buzzard  
Kenneth P.  
Margaret Shield  
Scott D. Boone  
Bryan Porter  
Patrick McKee  
Howard Gale  
Aidon Carroll  
Jalayna Ruland  
Hannah Whitworth  
Koncrete Rose  
Rose Legionaires  
Hilary Santini  
David Haines  
Alberto Alvarez  
Kyler Parris  
Nathan Wall  
Alex Lofton  
Sam Wolff  
Hali Willis  
Jonathan Toledo  
Bennett

**E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:**

[IRC 524](#)

**May 19, 2026**

**The Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC):**

**In Favor:** 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion was made by Council President Hollingsworth, duly seconded and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Journal:**

1. [Min 568](#) **May 12, 2026**

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

**In Favor:** 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**Bills:**

2. [CB 121210](#) **An ordinance appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 4, 2026, through May 8, 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:** 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**Appointments:**

**GOVERNANCE AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:**

- 3. [Appt 03495](#) **Appointment of Stan Diddams as member, Seattle Public Utilities Customer Review Panel, for a term to July 31, 2028.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Rivera, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

- 4. [Appt 03496](#) **Appointment of Gabriel Navarro as member, Seattle Public Utilities Customer Review Panel, for a term to July 31, 2028.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Rivera, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

## **H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **GOVERNANCE AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:**

1. [Appt 03494](#) **Reappointment of Andrew Lee as General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Seattle Public Utilities, for a term to December 31, 2029.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Rivera, Strauss  
Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

The Council President invited General Manager and Chief Executive Officer Lee to address the Council.

2. [CB 121202](#) **An ordinance relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Seattle Public Utilities, or designee, to execute an amendment to the interlocal agreement between Seattle Public Utilities and the King County Flood Control Zone District for the South Park Interim Flooding Preparedness and Response Program; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Seattle Public Utilities, or designee, to execute additional amendments to the interlocal agreement between Seattle Public Utilities and the King County Flood Control Zone District for the South Park Interim Flooding Preparedness and Response Program; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Rivera  
Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

**LIBRARIES, EDUCATION, AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE:**

3. [Appt 03492](#) **Appointment of Quynh Pham as Director of the Department of Neighborhoods, for a term to December 31, 2029.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Rivera, Foster, Lin, Rinck**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

The Council President invited Director Pham to address the Council.

4. [CB 121197](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to historic preservation; imposing controls upon the Woodin House, a landmark designated by the Landmarks Preservation Board under Chapter 25.12 of the Seattle Municipal Code, and adding it to the Table of Historical Landmarks contained in Chapter 25.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Rivera, Foster, Lin, Rinck**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

**LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE:**

5. [CB 121195](#) **An ordinance relating to land use and zoning; adopting interim provisions to expand the capacity of transitional encampments; and amending Sections 23.42.054 and 23.42.056 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Lin, Strauss, Foster, Hollingsworth, Rinck**

**Opposed: None**

**ACTION 1:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Rivera and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 121195, by amending Section 3 to Council Bill 121195, Section 23.42.056 of the Seattle Municipal Code, Transitional encampment as an interim use, as shown on Attachment 1 to the Minutes.

The Motion carried by the following vote:

In favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: 4 - Foster, Lin, Rinck, Strauss

**ACTION 2:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Rivera and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 121195, by amending Section 3 to Council Bill 121195, Section 23.42.056 of the Seattle Municipal Code, Transitional encampment as an interim use, as shown on Attachment 2 to the Minutes.

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In favor: 2 - Juarez, Rivera

Opposed: 7 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Saka, Strauss

**ACTION 3:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Strauss and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 121195, by amending Section 3 to Council Bill 121195, Section 23.42.056 of the Seattle Municipal Code, Transitional encampment as an interim use, as shown on Attachment 3 to the Minutes.

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In favor: 4 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: 5 - Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed:** None

**HOUSING, ARTS, AND CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE:**

6. [Res 32200](#) **A resolution creating an Arts and Cultural District in the Columbia Hillman City neighborhood of Seattle.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).**

**In Favor: 5 - Foster, Lin, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rinck**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

7. [Res 32201](#) **A resolution creating an Arts and Cultural District in the Georgetown neighborhood of Seattle.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).**

**In Favor: 5 - Foster, Lin, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Rinck**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

**I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were none.

**J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS**

There were none.

**K. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

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**Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk**

**Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on June 2, 2026.**

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**Joy Hollingsworth, Council President of the City Council**

**Attachment: Att 1 - Action 1 of CB 121195**

**Attachment: Att 2 - Action 2 of CB 121195**

**Attachment: Att 3 - Action 3 of CB 121195**