

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, May 6, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Sara Nelson, Council President

Joy Hollingsworth, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Cathy Moore, Member

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Mark Solomon, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

Chair Info: 206-684-8809; Sara.Nelson@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 6, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

C. PRESENTATIONS

Council President Nelson presented a proclamation honoring Reverend Harriett Walden. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Council President Nelson to present the proclamation, and to allow Reverend Walden to address the Council.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Andrew Ashiofu
Jamie Fackler
Rachael Snell
Marshall Bender
Natalie Morgan
David Kernick
Matt Kurvink
Micah Walley
Elizabeth Roberts
Gabriel Jones
Saunatina Sanchez
Alberto Alvarez
Brian Puschell
Naishin Fu
David Haines
Jordan Crawley
Julia Buck
Summer Miller
Hali Willis
Howard Gale
Alex Tsimerman
Aidan Carroll
Kate Rubin
Gwendolyn Hart
Carl Nelson
Allan Francis
Roxy
Rory O'Sullivan

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 478](#)

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, 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 Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:**1. [Min 518](#) April 29, 2025**

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Bills:**2. [CB 120976](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of April 21, 2025, through April 25, 2025, 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 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Appointments:**GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

3. [Appt 03010](#) **Appointment of Silvia Gonzalez as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Nelson, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Solomon
Opposed: None**

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

4. [Appt 03011](#) **Appointment of Corina Yballa as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Nelson, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Solomon
Opposed: None**

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

5. [Appt 03129](#) **Appointment of Ken Nsimbi as member, Community Police Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [Appt 03144](#) **Appointment of Patrice Tisdale as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2027.**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to confirm the Appointment.

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

2. [Appt 03128](#) **Appointment of Eci Ameh, as Executive Director of the Seattle Community Police Commission.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Oath of Office was administered to Eci Ameh, Executive Director, by Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk, and then Ms. Ameh provided brief remarks to the Council.

LAND USE COMMITTEE:

3. [CB 120949](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; expanding housing options by easing barriers to the construction and use of accessory dwelling units as required by state legislation; amending Sections 22.205.010, 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.44.011, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.046, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.545, 23.84A.008, 23.84A.032, 23.84A.038, 23.90.018, and 23.90.019 of the Seattle Municipal Code; repealing Sections 23.40.035 and 23.44.041 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and adding new Sections 23.42.022 and 23.53.003 to the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, 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 3:26 p.m.

Phillip Wood-Smith, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on May 13, 2025.

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council