



CITY OF SEATTLE

City Council

Agenda

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

2:00 PM

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

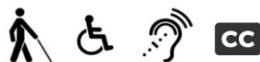
**Sara Nelson, Council President
Joy Hollingsworth, Member
Robert Kettle, Member
Cathy Moore, Member
Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member
Maritza Rivera, Member
Rob Saka, Member
Mark Solomon, Member
Dan Strauss, Member**

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May 27, 2025 - 2:00 PM

Meeting Location:

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

Committee Website:

<http://www.seattle.gov/council>

Members of the public may register for remote or in-person Public Comment to address the Council. Details on how to provide Public Comment are listed below:

Remote Public Comment - Register online to speak during the Public Comment period at

<https://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/public-comment>

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Submit written comments to all Councilmembers prior to 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting at Council@seattle.gov or at Seattle City Hall, Attn: Council Public Comment, 600 4th Ave., Floor 2, Seattle, WA 98104.

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. PRESENTATIONS

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may sign up to address the Council for up to 2 minutes on matters on this agenda; total time allotted to public comment at this meeting is 20 minutes.

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

Introduction and referral to Council committees of Council Bills (CB), Resolutions (Res), Appointments (Appt), and Clerk Files (CF) for committee recommendation.

[IRC 481](#)

May 27, 2025

Attachments: [Introduction and Referral Calendar](#)

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

The Consent Calendar consists of routine items. A Councilmember may request that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar and placed on the regular agenda.

Bills:

1. [CB 120983](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 5, 2025, through May 9, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Supporting Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

2. [CB 120987](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 12, 2025, through May 16, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Supporting Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

Appointments:

CITY COUNCIL:

3. [Appt 03160](#) Appointment of Girard Montejo-Thompson as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

4. [Appt 03161](#) Appointment of Lakeya Afolalu as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

5. [Appt 03162](#) Reappointment of Donald T. Felder as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

6. [Appt 03163](#) Reappointment of Manuela Slye as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

7. [Appt 03164](#) Appointment of Tom Graff as member, Pike Place Market Historical Commission, for a term to December 1, 2027.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

8. [Appt 03165](#) Appointment of Augustine K. Rietsema as member, Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority Governing Council, for a term to June 30, 2027.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

9. [Appt 03166](#) Appointment of Monica Houston as member, Pioneer Square Preservation Board, for a term to August 31, 2025.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

10. [Appt 03149](#) Appointment of Leonard Harrison Jerome as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to August 31, 2025.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

11. [Appt 03150](#) Appointment of Jack Brand as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

12. [Appt 03151](#) Appointment of Alex Hudson as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

13. [Appt 03152](#) Appointment of Chase Kitchen as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

14. [Appt 03153](#) Appointment of Steven C. Pumphrey as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

15. [Appt 03154](#) Appointment of Kaid Ni Ray-Tipton as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

16. [Appt 03155](#) Appointment of Nafiso D. Samatar as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

17. [Appt 03156](#) Appointment of Tyler J. Vasquez as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

18. [Appt 03157](#) Appointment of Jack Edson Whisner as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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

In Favor: 4 - Saka, Kettle, Rinck, Strauss

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion and vote on Council Bills (CB), Resolutions (Res), Appointments (Appt), and Clerk Files (CF).

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

1. [CB 120969](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; implementing interim controls to comply with various state laws; establishing findings and adopting a workplan for permanent legislation; amending Sections 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.34.011, 23.44.006, 23.44.010, 23.44.011, 23.44.012, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.044, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.518, 23.45.522, 23.45.527, 23.45.529, 23.53.006, 23.53.025, 23.54.015, 23.54.020, 23.54.030, 23.84A.010, 23.84A.025, 23.84A.036, and 25.09.240 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

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

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

Opposed: None

Attachments: [Full Text: CB 120969 v2](#)
[Att 1 - Topics for Permanent Legislation to implement State Land Use Regulations](#)

Supporting

Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note v2](#)
[Director's Report](#)

SELECT COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY CHANGES:

2. [Res 32168](#) A RESOLUTION reaffirming The City of Seattle as a Welcoming City; and committing to maintaining policies that support all Seattle residents regardless of ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, religion, or immigration status.

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

In Favor: 5 - Rinck, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Supporting Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION*

Executive Session on Pending, Potential, or Actual Litigation
(est. 75 minutes)

**Executive Sessions are closed to the public*

M. ADJOURNMENT



Legislation Text

File #: IRC 481, **Version:** 1

May 27, 2025



Introduction and Referral Calendar

List of proposed Council Bills (CB), Resolutions (Res), Appointments (Appt) and Clerk Files (CF) to be introduced and referred to a City Council committee

Record No.	Title	Committee Referral
<u>By: Strauss</u>		
1. CB 120983	AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 5, 2025, through May 9, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.	City Council
<u>By: Strauss</u>		
2. CB 120987	AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 12, 2025, through May 16, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.	City Council
<u>By: Solomon</u>		
3. CB 120990	AN ORDINANCE approving and confirming the plat of "Ballard Corner Townhouses" in the portions of Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 25 North, Range 3 East, W.M. in King County, Washington.	City Council
<u>By: Strauss</u>		
4. CB 120988	AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 127156, which adopted the 2025 Budget, including the 2025-2030 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.	Finance, Native Communities, and Tribal Governments Committee
<u>By: Hollingsworth</u>		
5. Res 32171	A RESOLUTION authorizing commencement of cable franchise contract renewal proceedings in accordance with the provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 546 and written request from WaveDivision I, LLC.	Parks, Public Utilities, and Technology Committee
<u>By: Saka</u>		
6. CB 120989	AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Department of Transportation; authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute and record a Leasehold Deed of Trust reflecting Cultural Space Agency's leasehold estate rights created through the agreement it executed with the City of Seattle as authorized under Ordinance 126916; and ratifying and	Transportation Committee

confirming certain prior acts.

By: Saka

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| 7. Appt 03173 | Appointment of Lisa Bogardus as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028. | Transportation Committee |
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By: Saka

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| 8. Appt 03174 | Appointment of Lucy Carter Sloman as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028. | Transportation Committee |
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Legislation Text

File #: CB 120983, **Version:** 1

CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 5, 2025, through May 9, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Payment of the sum of \$32,442,796.91 on PeopleSoft 9.2 mechanical warrants numbered 4100920690 - 4100922609 plus manual or cancellation issues for claims, e-payables of \$ 122,071.82 on PeopleSoft 9.2 9100015353 - 9100015373, and electronic financial transactions (EFT) in the amount of \$ 36,126,410.94 are presented to the City Council under RCW 42.24.180 and approved consistent with remaining appropriations in the current Budget as amended.

Section 2. Payment of the sum of \$67,721,313.01 on City General Salary Fund mechanical warrants numbered 10405264 - 10405586 plus manual warrants, agencies warrants, and direct deposits numbered 0000001 - 0013035 representing Gross Payrolls for payroll ending date May 15, 2025, as detailed in the Payroll Summary Report for claims against the City that were reported to the City Council May 15, 2025, is approved consistent with remaining appropriations in the current budget as amended.

Section 3. RCW 35.32A.090(1) states, “There shall be no orders, authorizations, allowances, contracts or payments made or attempted to be made in excess of the expenditure allowances authorized in the final budget as adopted or modified as provided in this chapter, and any such attempted excess expenditure shall be void and shall never be the foundation of a claim against the city.”

Section 4. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken prior to its effective date is

ratified and confirmed.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by the City Council the 27th of May, 2025, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 27th of May, 2025.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

Department:	Dept. Contact:	CBO Contact:
Office of City Finance	Julie Johnson	Lorine Cheung

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title:

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Summary and Background of the Legislation:

RCW 42.24.180 requires that payment of certain claims be authorized by the City Council. This bill, prepared each week by the City Treasury, authorizes the payments of funds that were previously appropriated by the City Council, so the passage of this bill does not have a direct result on the City's budget.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?

☐ Yes ☒ No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City?

☐ Yes ☒ No

This bill authorizes the payments of funds that were previously appropriated by the City Council, so the passage of this bill does not have a direct result on the City's budget.

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.
The legislation authorizes the payment of valid claims. If the City does not pay its legal obligations it could face greater legal and financial liability.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. **Please describe how this legislation may affect any departments besides the originating department.**

This type of legislation authorizes payment of bill and payroll expenses for all City departments.

- b. **Does this legislation affect a piece of property? If yes, please attach a map and explain any impacts on the property. Please attach any Environmental Impact Statements, Determinations of Non-Significance, or other reports generated for this property.**

No.

- c. **Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.**

- i. **How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.**

N/A

- ii. **Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**

N/A

- iii. **What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**

N/A

- d. **Climate Change Implications**

- i. **Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

N/A

- ii. **Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

N/A

- e. **If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

N/A

5. CHECKLIST

- ☐ Is a public hearing required?
- ☐ Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required?
- ☐ If this legislation changes spending and/or revenues for a fund, have you reviewed the relevant fund policies and determined that this legislation complies?
- ☐ Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?

6. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments: None.



Legislation Text

File #: CB 120987, **Version:** 1

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6. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments: None.



Legislation Text


File #: Appt 03160, **Version:** 1

Appointment of Girard Montejo-Thompson as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Girard Montejo-Thompson		
Board/Commission Name: Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee		Position Title: Member
<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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: District 3	Zip Code: 98101	Contact Phone No.: Business phone # - NOT personal phone #
Background: Philip "Girard" Montejo-Thompson is a Seattle Public Schools educator with over 10 years of experience. Specializing in the sciences for elementary and middle grade students, Girard is dedicated to ensuring all students have access to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) learning.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): March 21st, 2025		Appointing Signatory: Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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

GIRARD MONTEJO-THOMPSON

Objective

To cultivate enthusiasm for education.

Education, Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA

Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education

June 2013

Second Major: Philosophy

Minor: Middle Level Science

Honors/Activities

President, Science Education Club

April 2011 – Mar. 2012

Vice President, Science Education Club

Mar. 2009 – Mar. 2011

WSTA (WA Science Teachers Association) conference

Mar. 2009 and 2010

Member, Science Education Club

May 2008 – Mar. 2009

STEP (Science Talent Education Program)

Sept. – June 2006

Certifications

Washington Elementary Teaching Certificate K-8

June 2013

Middle Level Science Teaching Certificate 4-9

June 2013

Teaching Experience

1st Grade, Highland Park Elementary

2023/24

4th/5th Grade, Highland Park Elementary

2020/23

8th Science, Denny International Middle School

2018/19

6th and 7th Science, Orca K-8

Oct. 2017/18

Kindergarten, Roxhill Elementary

2016/17

1st Grade, Roxhill Elementary

2015/16

6th and 8th Science, Washington Middle School

Dec. 2014/15

Substituting, Seattle Public Schools

Oct. – Nov. 2014

Student Teaching, Sacajawea Elementary School, Seattle, WA

Jan. – Mar. 2013

Pre-Autumn Experience, Tyee Middle School, Bellevue, WA

Sept. – Oct. 2010

Related Experience

Vice President, Seattle Education Association

June 2024 – Present

Teacher, CDSA Beacon Hill, Seattle, WA

Dec. 2013 – Sept. 2014

Camp Counselor, Hidden Valley Camp, Granite Falls, WA Aug – June '08-'09, '12-'13

Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee

17 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125604*, 12 members subject to City Council confirmation, *staggered*-year terms:

- 6 City Council-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 6 Mayor-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 5 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): *Ordinance 125604*

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
1	F	2	1.	Member	Erin Okuno	1/1/22	12/31/25	3	Council
6	F		2.	Member	Natalie Beauregard	1/1/23	12/31/25	1	Council
3	F	2	3.	Member	Manuela Slye	1/1/21	12/31/24	1	Council
3	F		4.	Member	Janet Ceballos	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Council
2	M	2	5.	Member	Donald Felder	1/1/22	12/31/24	2	Council
			6.	Member	Vacant	1/1/24	12/31/26		Council
9	M		7.	Member	Girard Montejo-Thompson	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Mayor
2	F		8.	Member	Linda Thompson-Black	1/1/25	12/31/26	2	Mayor
1	F	N/A	9.	Member	Susan Yu Yi Lee	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	M		10.	Member	Marques Gittens	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	F	4	11.	Member	Lakeya Afolalu	1/1/24	12/31/26	1	Mayor
6	M		12.	Member	Evan M. Smith	1/1/25	12/31/26	2	Mayor
9	M	N/A	13.	Mayor	Bruce Harrell	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
3	F	N/A	14.	Library, Education and Neighborhoods Committee	Maritza Rivera	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
2	M	N/A	15.	School District Superintendent	Brent Jones	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
9	F	N/A	16.	School District Board Member	Sarah Clark	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
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Appointment of Lakeya Afolalu as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Lakeya Afolalu		
Board/Commission Name: Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee		Position Title: Member
<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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority		Term of Position: * 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: District 4	Zip Code: 98121	Contact Phone No.: Business phone # - NOT personal phone #
Background: Dr. Lakeya Afolalu is a scholar of Language and Literacy who specializes in the intersections of immigration, race, and identity. Her research specifically explores the role of multilingualism and literacy. Alongside her academic work, she actively supports the identities and well-being of youth of color through community-engaged literacy and arts education partnerships.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): March 21st, 2025		Appointing Signatory: Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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

Lakeya (Omogun) Afolalu, Ph.D.

Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, College of Education | The University of Washington

EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin

2021

Ph.D., Curriculum and Instruction, Language and Literacy Studies

Dissertation: Relocating to America: Nigerian Immigrant Youths' Experience with Language, Literacy, and Identity in Central Texas

Teachers College, Columbia University

M.A., Curriculum and Teaching, Literacy Specialist Program

Thesis: Reading with Purpose and Responding with Action: Critical Literacy in a Harlem Classroom

Michigan State University

B.A., College of Education, Elementary Education, Language Arts

McNair Scholar

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Language, Literacy & Culture

2021 – present

University of Washington

Affiliate Faculty, African Studies Program

2023 – present

University of Washington

Affiliate Faculty Banks Center for Educational Justice, College of Education.

2023 – present

University of Washington

K-12 & PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 **Director**, Summer Art Program, *University of Maryland, College Park*

2015– 2017 **Director**, *Raising Educational Achievement Coalition of Harlem Summer Program*
Teachers College, Columbia University

2013 – 2016 **Literacy Teacher**, Grade 7, *New York City Department of Education*

2011 – 2013 **Elementary Teacher**, Grade K-3 All Subjects, *Detroit Public Schools*

2009 – 2011 **Literacy Teacher**, Grades 6-7, *Greater Newark Charter School*

RESEARCH AREAS

Enhancing racial and educational equity; immigrant & transitional youth identities; literacy and multilingualism; race, racialization & ethnicity; immigration; community-engaged partnerships

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Afolalu, L. (In Press). More than my race: Deconstructing racial identities through digital art practices. *Research in the Teaching of English*, 59(2).

Afolalu, L. (2024). I'm still Nigerian: Navigating race through digital literacies. *Journal of Literacy Research*. Volume (56)3.

Omogun, L. & Skerrett, A. & (2021). From Haiti to Detroit through Black immigrant languages and literacies. *Journal of Literacy Research*, 53(3), 406-429.

Omogun, L. (2021). Counterstories: Reimagining youth in multiethnic short story anthologies. *Black enough: Stories of being young & Black in America* edited by I. Zoboi. *Journal of Adolescent & Adult Literacy*, 64(5).

Johnston, K. **Omogun, L. & Lee, C.** (2021). From New York City to the world: Examining critical global literacies in an English language arts classroom. *Journal of Research in Childhood Education*, 35(2), 215-230.

Skerrett, A. & **Omogun, L.** (2020). When racial, transnational, and immigrant identities and literacies meet, Black youth of Caribbean origin speak. *Teachers College Record*, 122(13).

Omogun, L. (2018). Immigrant student identities in literacy spaces. *Texas Education Review*, 6 (2), 70-81.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Afolalu, L. (2024). Opening space to participate: One Nigerian girl's use of visual arts to navigate school-based linguistic discrimination. In Watson, VM., Knight-Manuel, M. & Smith, P. (Eds.), [*Educating African Immigrant Youth: Schooling & Civic Engagement in K-12 Schools*](#), Teachers College Press.

BOOK REVIEWS

Omogun, L. (2019). A Black immigrant narrative in Detroit city. *Ethnic and Third World Literatures*, 19, 23-24.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2024 – 2026** Early Career Educator of Color (EC-EOC) Leadership Fellowship Award, National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)
- 2022 – 2024** Scholars of Color Transitioning into Academic Research Institutions Fellow, Literacy Research Association (LRA-STAR)
- 2022** Outstanding Dissertation Award, Bilingual Education Research SIG, American Educational Research Association
- 2022** BIPOC Creative Writer Fellowship, Sonoma County Writers
- 2020 – 2022** Cultivating New Voices among Scholars of Color Fellow (CNV), National Council of Teachers of English
- 2020** Continuing Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2020** The Glen Workshop Fellowship, Image Journal
- 2020** Austin's Rising Star Winner, DivInc. Champions of Change Award
- 2019 – 2020** Faculty First-Look Scholar, New York University Steinhardt
- 2019** Continuing Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2016 – 2019** New Scholars Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin Texas
- 2018** The Faculty/Student Collaboration Award, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2014** Louise M. Berman Fellowship, Kappa Delta Pi
- 2014** Minority Scholarship, Teachers College, Columbia University
- 2012** Mildred B. Erickson Fellowship, Michigan State University
- 2012** Glenn and Thelma Buell Endowed Scholarship, Michigan State University
- 2008 – 2009** Ronald E McNair Scholar

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

**Formerly Lakeya Omogun*

Op-Eds, Creative Nonfiction & Essays

Afolalu, L. (2024). Becoming A Woman Between Two Worlds. *Medium*. <http://tinyurl.com/mr2vcr7j>

Afolalu, L. (2022). Walking Forward: Navigating the Academic Journey as a Black Woman. *The Well*. Intervarsity. <http://tinyurl.com/4p63t4p8>

Omogun, L. (2022). Advocate for Your Child. *ESSENCE Magazine*.

Afolalu, L. (2021). More Than a Mailbox: One Thing You Might Try as a Teacher. *Stenhouse Publishers Blog*.

Afolalu, L. (2021). Black, on Both Sides: Living Between My Nigerian and African American Identities. *Human Parts*. <https://tinyurl.com/yxhcm9wz>

Afolalu, L. (2019). The Truth About Being a Black Woman in a Liberal City. *ZORA Mag*. <https://tinyurl.com/y2atvnrm>

Afolalu, L. (2019). Why I Won't Teach a Book About Police Brutality. *ZORA Mag*. <https://tinyurl.com/y3ay3bkx>

Public Speaking

Afolalu, L. (2024). Speaking Through the Arts. EDUTalk. University of Washington.

Omogun, L. (2021). (Be)coming Professional. *TEDx Talk*. <https://youtu.be/3377nOPruPI>

Video, Radio & Podcast Interviews

Honoring Students' Identities through Literacy & The Arts. A conversation with **Lakeya Afolalu**. (2023). In *Classroom Caffeine* Podcast series. **Host:** Dr. Lindsay Persohn. <http://tinyurl.com/yvhrxmav>

Research That Matters. New Faculty Spotlight: **Lakeya (Omogun) Afolalu**. (2022). In *Advancing Educational Justice*. The University of Washington, College of Education. <https://tinyurl.com/32he52pe>

How Embracing Our Identities Affirms Our Worth with **Lakeya Omogun**. (2022). In *Unconditionally Worthy Podcast* Podcast series. **Host:** Dr. Adia Goodon. <http://tinyurl.com/5cjn9zcd>

What Does It Really Mean to 'Fit In' At Work? with **Lakeya Omogun**. (2021). In *TEDx Shorts*. <https://tinyurl.com/258pjfb5>

Whether Austin Is a Progressive City or Not Could Depend on The Color of Your Skin. (2019). In *Austin NPR/KUT News*. **Interviewer:** Nadia Hamdan. <https://tinyurl.com/8fjaz4tw>

Produced Digital Media Scholarship

A Conversation: Nigerian Identities Across Countries. Video Documentary. (2022). **Producer:** **Lakeya Afolalu**. *Digital Arts Museum, Abuja, Nigeria*. <https://tinyurl.com/5n6n9m3a>

The Bridge: The University of Texas at Austin's Community-Based Learning Podcast. (2020). *The University of Texas at Austin*. **Co-Producers:** Brianna Davis-Johnson & **Lakeya Omogun**. <https://tinyurl.com/y3gazz78>

In the News

“Embracing A Broader Definition of Literacy?” (2024). In *Advancing Educational Justice*. The University of Washington, College of Education. Journalist: Alice Skipton.

“Can Seattle Close Literacy Gaps for Kids of Color with Science of Reading?” (2023). In *The Seattle Times*. Journalist: Monica Velez. <http://tinyurl.com/4rx8vjf>

“With New Addition, Imagine Children’s Museum Doubles In Size.” (2022). In *Everett Herald*. Journalist: Janice Podsada. <http://tinyurl.com/ycxx6ujp>

AWARDED GRANTS

Principal Investigator. *The Seattle Multilingual Youth of Color & Educator Collective*. University of Washington Resilience Lab and the Campus Sustainability Fund (CSF). (\$4,740). 2024 – 2025

Co-Principal Investigator. *Co-Designing family-school transformative agency & identity affirming critical literacies of K-3 Black youth to catalyze systemic racial equity*. William T. Grant Foundation. Ann Ishimaru, PI. Dana Nickson, Co-PI. (\$600,000). 2022 – 2023

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Underlined Denotes Graduate Student Co-Investigators.

Seattle Youth & Education Multilingual of Color Collective **Sept. 2024 – present**

Principal Investigator: Lakeya Afolalu

Co-Investigators: Sciatta Padmore & Sierra Dunaway

Gender, Immigration, Language & Identity Intersections **April 2024 – present**

Principal Investigator: Lakeya Afolalu

Co-Investigator: Sciatta Padmore

SELECT NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

*Formerly Lakeya Omogun; Underlined Denotes Graduate Student Co-Presenters.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Afolalu, L., Hateka, D. (2024, November). “Towards decolonial integrations: West African multiliterate cultural artifacts in school and museum spaces.” Paper submitted to the 2024 Literacy Research Association Annual Conference.

Afolalu, L. (2023, December). *Decolonial research methods in partnership with Black African immigrant youth*. Paper accepted for presentation at the European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA), Migration and the Media – International and Intercultural Communication Sections Conference. Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Afolalu, L., Nalubega-Booker, K., Frieson, & B. Presiado, V. (2023, November). “*Speak to me, my Pikin*”: Nigerian youth intergenerational linguistic practices. In **L. Afolalu (Chair)**, *(Re)defining multilingualism: A collective conversation about Black youth multilingualistic experiences across spaces*. Symposium presented at the 2024 Literacy Research Association Annual Conference.

Afolalu, L. (2023, October). *Postcolonial methodological approaches*. Presented at the 2023 Conference on Anthropology and Education Annual Conference. New York, NY.

Omogun, L., Brown, T., Osibodu, M. (2023, April). *Becoming Black American through Black language and literacy Practices*. In **L. Omogun (Chair)**, *Black and Brown immigrant youth constructing and negotiating identity in Canada and the United States*. Symposium presented at the 2023 American Educational Research Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.

Omogun, L., Knight-Manuel, M., Robert, N., Akin-Sabuncu, S., Limperopulos, N., & Burris, M. Osibodu, M., Keegan, P. Berends, J., Watson, V.W.M., Beymer, A., & Johnson, L (2023, April). *Opening space for self: Nigerian immigrant youth agentive multiliterate practices*. In V.W.M. Watson (Chair), *African immigrant youth: Schooling, education, and civic engagement in the African Diaspora*, **Vice-Presidential Session** presented at 2023 American Educational Research Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.

Qiu, T., Du, X., **Omogun, L.**, Portillo, Y., Rusoja, A., & Curiel, C. L. (2023, April). *The social, emotional, and cultural affordances of Black African multilingual and multiliterate practices*. In T. Qiu & X. Du (Co-Chairs), *Multiliteracies in diverse contexts: New possibilities for school and community collaborations*. Symposium presented at 2023 American Educational Research Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.

Omogun, L. & Enciso, P. (2022, November). *Youth Identity Constructions through Popular Media*. Presented at 2022 National Council of Teachers of English Annual Conference [Virtual].

Omogun, L. & Enciso, P. (2021, November). *Storying Self: Nigerian immigrant youth navigation of racial, gender, and linguistic terrain*. Presented at 2021 National Council of Teachers of English Annual Conference. [Virtual].

SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

Underlined Denotes Graduate Student Co-Presenters. *Denotes Practitioner Co-Presenters.

Panelist, *Contesting Culturelessness: Developing Hemispheric Black Language Pedagogies in World Language Education*, Invited Colloquium for 2024 American Association for Applied Linguistics. March 2025.

Panelist, *Building on the Theories of Brian Street: What Does it Mean to Be a Person? What Does It Mean to Be a Person Alongside Literacy?* Invited Panel for the 74th Annual Literacy Research Association Annual Conference. December 2024.

Panelist, *Navigating the Transition from Doc Student to Faculty*. Scholars of Color Transitioning into Academic Research Institutions Fellow, Literacy Research Association (LRA-STAR), March 8, 2024.

Speaker, *Making Sense of Race, Ethnicity & Immigration through Textual Analysis Methodology.* EDLPS 526 Course, College of Education, The University of Washington. March 1, 2024.

Speaker, *Black African Immigrant Youth Identities,* Inlier, Unite to Achievement Summit, Policy Division, Inlier Learning, November 16, 2023.

Panelist, *Women of Color Research Panel,* Sisterhood Initiative, College of Education, The University of Washington, November 8, 2023.

Speaker, *Languages and Literacies of Communities in Southeastern Michigan.* College of Education, Wayne State University. June 26, 2023.

Panelist, Omogun, L., moultrie, j., Barriot, C., *A Historical Perspective: Supporting Youth Identities through Literacies.* College of Education, University of Washington, May 10, 2023.

Speaker, *Writing for the Public.* Research Initiative for Supporting Education in the Caribbean (RISE Caribbean), May 9, 2023.

Keynote, *Journeying on to the Promise Land,* Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ceremony, Western Oregon University, January 17, 2023.

Keynote, *Unraveling from their Narrative: A Journey of Embracing All Our Identities.* Western Oregon University, November 15, 2022.

Panelist, *Creating the Job Materials.* Black Scholars Conference, June 15, 2022.

Speaker, *Identity, Arts & Literacy in the Lives of Adolescent Youth.* New York City Department of Education Community-School Partnership Series, April 26 – May 1, 2022.

Speaker, *(Re)locating to The United States: Nigerian Immigrant Youth Identity Constructions Through Languages and Literacies.* Bilingual Education Research Special Interest Group (BER-SIG) Business Meeting. American Educational Research Association (AERA). April 2, 2022.

Presenter, *Rest and Care as a Doctoral Student.* Critical Conversations Collective. The Banks Educational Center for Educational Justice, College of Education, The University of Washington. Seattle, WA, March 3, 2022.

Panelist, *Multilingual Power and Literacies.* Martha King Center for Language and Literacies, The Ohio State University. Columbus, Ohio, November 10, 2021.

Panelist, *Job Hunt Jumpstart.* Doctoral Student Innovative Community Group, Literacy Research Association (LRA), July 7, 2021.

Presenter, *Diversify Your Skillset: Using University Resources Strategically*. Texas Career Engagement Center, The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, Texas, September 9, 2020.

Omogun, L. (2019, November). *Testimonios of Doctoral Students of Color: Grounding Ourselves Alongside our Practice*. Presented at National Council of Teachers of English, Tampa, FL.

Panelist, *Gentrification Across the Nation*. Ignite Political Power in Every Young Woman. *The University of Texas at Austin*. Austin, Texas, April 24, 2019.

Panelist, Inclusive Conversations: Building Interracial Sisterhood at Work. *SXSW*. Austin, Texas, March 12, 2019.

UNIVERSITY TEACHING

The University of Washington, College of Education

Graduate Courses in Teaching, Learning & Curriculum

- EDC&I 568: Youth Multiliteracies: Multimodality, Culture & Identity Win. 2022 – Win. 2024
- EDC&I 528A: Foundations of Language, Literacy, and Culture Fall 2021 – Fall 2023

Graduate Course in Elementary Teacher Preparation Program

- EDTEP 533: Language, Culture, and Power in the Writing Classroom Win. 2022 – Win. 2024

Undergraduate Course in Undergraduate Programs

EDUC 405A: Postcolonial Identities in the Arts, Education, and Society Fall 2023

The University of Texas at Austin, College of Education,

Instructor, Department of Curriculum & Instruction, Language & Literacy Studies

- TC 358: Community Engagement Fall 2020
- EDC 370 E-1: Reading Methods Fall 2018 – Fall 2020
- EDC 370 E-2: Language Arts Methods SP2019/F2017/SP2017
- EDC 339E: Adolescent Literacy SU2020
- EDC 339 D: Reading Assessment and Development SP2020/SP2019
- EDC 339 C: Community Literacies SP2019
- EDC 370 E-1: Reading Methods F2016/SP2017
- EDC 370 E-2: Language Arts Methods F2016/SP2016

Field Supervisor, The University of Texas at Austin

- Generalist Preservice Teachers SU2018
- Student Teachers - Literacy Preservice Teacher SP2018
- Intern II -Literacy Preservice Teachers SP2017/F2017
- Intern I -Generalist Preservice Teachers SU2017

STUDENT ADVISING

Doctoral Advising (Current)

*Denotes Co-Advising

Jiaqi Wang (Language, Literacy, and Culture, Fall 2024)

Sciatta Padmore* (Culturally Sustaining Education)

Doctoral Dissertation Committee (Current)

Puja Patel (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum) – *Committee Member*

Sabrina Carnesi (Information School) – *Graduate Student Representative*

STUDENT ADVISING CONT'D

Master's Thesis Advising (Current)

Jada Edwards (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Rongxuan Huang (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Myrna Landa (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Sydney Lin (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Mercy Naw (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Ariel Pinsheng (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Master's Thesis Advising (Completed)

Megan Borgeson (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Chi Chang (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Baoyi Ma (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Zach Long, M.Ed. (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Master's Thesis Committee Memberships (Completed)

Cristina Barriot (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Nesrin El-Isa, M.Ed. (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Fariha Khalil (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Nova Lucero (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Rebecca Lund (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Ana María Ruiz Gómez (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2023)

Eva Wharton (Instructional Leadership, M.Ed., 2023)

Grace Deery-Schmitt (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, M.Ed., 2022)

Sam Rubin (Teaching, Learning & Curriculum)

Master's Advising (Non-Thesis)

2023 – 2024: 7 students

2021 – 2022: 2 students

INVITED GUEST LECTURES

Qualitative Research Methods in Language Research. Spanish Linguistics, University of Tennessee Knoxville, April 2, 2024.

Identity & Language in Teacher Education. College of Education, University of Georgia, October 31, 2022.

The Role of Poetry in Literacy Teaching and Learning. College of Education, San Diego State University, April 8, 2022.

Historical Conversations on Schooling. Community Engagement & Leadership Education (CELE), Center in Undergraduate Academic Affairs (UAA), The University of Washington, March/April 2022.

Identity, Power, and Privilege. Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, The University of Texas at Austin, September 30, 2021.

Navigating Systems of Power. Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, The University of Texas at Austin, April 25, 2021.

SERVICE

Service to the Field

Committee Memberships

2024 – 2027	Member, Field Council, Literacy Research Association
2022 – 2025	Committee Member, Student Outstanding Research Committee, Literacy Research Association (LRA)
2023 – 2024	Committee Member, Outstanding Dissertation Award Committee Member, Bilingual Education Research Special Interest Group (BER-SIG), American Educational Research Association (AERA)
2023 – 2024	Committee Member, English Language Arts Teacher Educators (ELATE) Nominating Committee, National Council of Teachers of English
2017 – 2022	Committee Member, Doctoral Student Innovative Community Group, Literacy Research Association (LRA-DSICG)
2019 – 2020	Graduate Student Representative, American Educational Research Association Division K (AERA-K)

Service to the University

- 2023 – 2025** **Area Representative**, Faculty Council Teaching, Learning & Curriculum Area
- 2023 – present** **Advisory Group Member**, Vice Provost for Research's Early Career Advisory Committee (ECAG)
- 2023 – 2024** **Committee Member**, Learning Sciences & Human Sciences (LSHD) Search Committee
- 2022 – 2023** **Committee Member**, Early Childhood (ECE)/Early Childhood and Family Studies (ECFE) Search Committee

National Service

- 2022 – present** **Founder & Executive Director**, LitiArts

Mentorship Programs

- 2023 – 2024** **Mentor**, African Scholars in Education Research, Michigan State University
- 2023** **Mentor**, Literacy Research Association Doctoral Student Innovative Community Group Proposal Mentoring Project (LRA-DSICG)

Reviewer,

Alliance for African Partnership, Michigan State University Press
English Teaching: Practice and Critique
International Multilingual Research Journal
Journal of Language & Literacy Education (JoLLE)
Journal of Literacy Research
National Council of Teachers of English
Linguistics and Education
Texas Educational Review

International Service

- 2022 – 2023** **Advisory Board Member**, Discovery Digital Arts Museum, Abuja, Nigeria

Local Service

- 2024** **Advisory Council Member**, Rainier Beach Action Coalition
- 2022** **Presenter**, Chief Stealth International High School College and Career Fair

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Educational Research Association (AERA)

Member, Teaching and Teacher Education, Division K

Member, Social Context of Education, Division G

Member, Caribbean and African Studies in Education SIG

Member, Language and Social Practices

Diversity Scholars Network, National Center for Institutional Diversity, The University of Michigan

Education Leaders of Color (EdLoC)

Literacy Research Association (LRA)

National Council for Teachers of English (NCTE)

PROFESSIONAL TEACHER CERTIFICATIONS

NEW YORK STATE CERTIFICATIONS

2019 – Present Birth – Grade 6 Literacy Specialist

2014 – Present Grades 1 – 6 Childhood Education

2014 – Present Grades 5 - 9 English Language Arts

MICHIGAN STATE CERTIFICATIONS

2013 – Present Kindergarten – Grade 5 Generalist

2013 – Present Grades 6 – 8 Language Arts

2013 – Present Grades 6 – 8 Self-Contained, Generalist

Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee

17 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125604*, 12 members subject to City Council confirmation, *staggered*-year terms:

- 6 City Council-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 6 Mayor-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 5 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): *Ordinance 125604*

Roster:

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3	F	2	3.	Member	Manuela Slye	1/1/21	12/31/24	1	Council
3	F		4.	Member	Janet Ceballos	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Council
2	M	2	5.	Member	Donald Felder	1/1/22	12/31/24	2	Council
			6.	Member	Vacant	1/1/24	12/31/26		Council
9	M		7.	Member	Girard Montejo-Thompson	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Mayor
2	F		8.	Member	Linda Thompson-Black	1/1/25	12/31/26	2	Mayor
1	F	N/A	9.	Member	Susan Yu Yi Lee	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	M		10.	Member	Marques Gittens	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	F	4	11.	Member	Lakeya Afolalu	1/1/24	12/31/26	1	Mayor
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Reappointment of Donald T. Felder as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Donald T. Felder		
Board/Commission Name: Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee		Position Title: Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" 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: Fill in appointing authority		Term of Position: * 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: [REDACTED]	Zip Code: 98144	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Dr. Donald Felder is a lifelong resident of Seattle and former Principle with Seattle Public Schools. For background, teaching, coaching, and leadership is his forte, and he has a deep love for using data to harvest discoveries, unfolding recommendations, and implementing transformational plans. Dr. Felder defends the educational rights of students using Washington State's constitution, its legislation, and those policies outlining provisions for ample learning opportunities to all children. Combining the knowledge, he is guiding Districts in the art of reimagining how community partnerships are employed in schools. His leadership, as an educational consultant, fosters synergy for teams to thrive under the umbrella of a common vision. This picture reveals Dr. Felder's love for serving those establishing social justice structures. From one service partner to another, it is reported that Dr Felder leads from his heart to reach mindfulness actions and outcomes.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 3/5/2025		Appointing Signatory: Maritza Rivera District 4 Councilmember

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RESUME
DONALD T. FELDER, Ph.D.

VISION: To advocate within organizations for authentic community partnerships, guiding efforts to empower citizens to create and maintain safe neighborhoods, and become caretakers of their schools.

PROFILE: My career reflects this vision and my experiences include:

- Participated on a research team to produce a landscape analysis report for the City of Seattle (Department of Education Early Learning pre-school programs) to know the impact of its zero suspension policy.
- Facilitating community forums, bridging conversations between University of Washington's teacher candidates, seasoned educators, parents, community advocates, and former students of Seattle Public Schools;
- Providing consulting services and guidance to the principals and teachers in the Victory School District, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as well as in King, Snohomish and Pierce counties
- Mentoring inspiring administrators in the fields of education, and community organizing;
- Served as a consultant with Seattle Public Schools, proposing recommendations to reduce the cost of transporting students by creating interdisciplinary relationships of duties between the departments of Transportation and Special Education.
- Providing consulting services to schools, and community organizations in the Northwest Region;
- Mediating agreements between school officials, families and children;
- Orchestrating partnerships in Seattle's African American communities, used strategies to advancing their concerns, creating a common focus for managing learning programs, and promoting strategies for reforming comprehensive and progressive schools;
- Offering local and national teacher workshops on behalf of the Black Child Development Institute and National Association of Black Educators, including organizing educational summits in King County;
- Taught multicultural courses at Antioch University;
- Coached and supervised educational candidates to obtain a teaching or administrative certificate;
- Evaluating school plans and aligning goals to foster systemic change;
- Established community learning centers; promoted educational options for challenging students, finding ways to engage students in meaningful learning experiences;
- Assisting school teams in their interpretation of student and parent survey data, establishing protocols for measuring successes and identifying areas for further effort; de-

- developing procedures for understanding and correcting student behavior and academic failure;
- Worked directly with teachers to eliminate disproportionality, creating safe classrooms, and promoting effective teaching procedures;
- Designing staff development workshops, when recruited to address school visioning, behavior/classroom management, instructional pedagogies, and family engagement.
- Studying prominent schools that successfully completed reform of their K-12 process;
- Served as a principal and administrator for 20 years with Seattle Public Schools, and many years as a classroom teacher at the elementary and secondary levels;

EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy and Master's: Educational Leadership, conferred by Union Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio (1998). Dissertation was *Swords into Plowshares: Changing What and How We Teach Juvenile Delinquents*
- Bachelor of Arts and Sciences: Black Studies, Education, and Recreation Administration, conferred by University of Washington, Seattle, Washington (1974).
- Licensed Principal (1998)
- Anger Management Facilitator and Certified Mediator (1984 and 1994)
- Meeting facilitator: Trained at Mills College, San Francisco, CA (1976)

Adult Courses/Training Sessions Facilitated

- Taught a principal certification course at City University
- Serve as a guest lecturer at Seattle University and the University of Washington.
- Supervise field experiences for learners seeking a teaching certification
- Teach courses at Antioch University as an adjunct professor.

CAREER EXPERIENCE

Educational Consultant 2004 to Retirement - Casey Family Programs

- Offered training to caregivers and educators, emphasizing strategies to teach children in care, and sharing advocacy tools for adults to create networks of supports.
- Provide youth access to supplemental education supports and services.
- Prepare youth to achieve their post-secondary education, training, and career goals.

- Ensure that youth are literate, acquire basic skills, and have extracurricular opportunities
- Promote public policies that support education during and after graduation.

Adjunct Professor and Field Supervisor – 2004 to 2007. Antioch University (Seattle)

- Teaching a multicultural course
- Providing guidance to staff members for developing a principal certification course.
- Supervising Teacher candidates.

Principal - 1994 to 2003. - Interagency Schools: Seattle Public Schools

- Coordinated educational and social services at 20 school sites in Seattle;
- Produced an operational manual to guide transformation efforts for schools;
- Created and managed interagency agreements with the city and state organizations;
- Managed multiple-types of budgets;
- Encouraged interdisciplinary planning to foster the mapping of curriculum, with real-life applications.
- Promoted literacy as the foundation for increasing academic achievement of low and high performing students;
- Formed educational teams to conduct research on the analysis of student gains, purposeful staff development activities, and courageous conversations about race and culture;
- Facilitated the management of volunteer programs, using the community's elders, students from local universities, and faith based organizations;
- Organized community fairs or events to sponsor educational services for youth and adults;
- Established active partnerships throughout the Seattle to support career development and mentoring programs.

Noteworthy Achievements. Established community classrooms and links to two-year colleges and vocational programs. Acquired grants to supplement the services of schools. These programs became recognized as statewide models. Initiated public policy on governing youth programs and gave guidance to local youth advisory boards.

Program Manager at King County Detention (Seattle Public Schools) 1986 to 1993.

Supervised the school's operations; evaluated teachers; monitored and adjusted the program's goals; coordinated community service projects and set-up transition

programs for incarcerated youth; designed and implemented behavior management systems; sponsored instructional fairs for teachers and partners.

Noteworthy Achievements. Turned a nonfunctioning school at the King County Detention Center into one of the top programs in the state. Served as a consultant, and facilitator helping teachers design social skill programs throughout the state. Developed a safe-school curriculum; advised families on the management of special education services, and initiated agreements to organize partnerships with efforts directed to reduce recidivism.

Educational Consultant (Seattle Public Schools) 1982 to 1985.

Trained administrators and teachers to set up intervention and instructional programs for expelled students; lectured on topics concerning learning, culture competency, behavioral management techniques and related subjects. Audited schools to ensure compliance with the District's policies

Noteworthy Achievements. Developed social skills curricula for re-entry schools and trained the staff to implement the program as integral strategies for a teaching and learning processes.

Educator/Head Teacher (Seattle Public Schools) 1973 - 1981

Various classroom assignments in elementary and secondary schools

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Current Boards:

Seattle Public Schools African American Male Advisory Committee to the Superintendent - As chair, plan agendas, manage follow-up activities, and consult with Seattle Public School administrators to facilitate school reform efforts with the City of Seattle (Our Best) and with Martin Luther King's Best Start for Kids' program supervisors.

Office of Police Accountability and Review - To provide community oversight and awareness of Seattle Police Department practices and its employee accountability system by independently:

Doctoral Committee, a Practicum Plan - providing supervision of a research project that examines special education compliance policies and laws as it pertains to children in foster care.

Seattle Public School's African American Think Tank and presently transitioning to African American Advisory Board - to provide the Superintendent a set of recommendations for uplifting the academic status of African American students and children of color.

Southeast Seattle Education Coalition - represent a coalition of community based organizations, educators, schools, parents and caregivers, and concerned communi-

ty leaders who believe all children — especially children of color deserve a quality education regardless of where they live or life circumstances.

Previous Memberships:

Sankofa Community Festival - Weeklong event gathers educators, artists and interested parties to participate in workshops, lectures, and other special events

Breakfast Group - Networking among community groups and universities to increase the number of African American youth attending Washington State universities.

Puget Sound Pathways Network - Articulate professional/technical-training programs for youth in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties – *Board Member*.

Washington Association of Learning Disabilities - Raise public awareness of learning disabilities – *Board Member*.

Interim Youth Council - Recommended activities, monitored services, and provided funding for programs throughout King County – *Board Member*.

Seattle Safe-Futures - Designed an infrastructure to reduce juvenile crime by coordinating youth services systemically- *Board Member*.

Taking Care of Kids is Power - Created programs to promote parent involvement in public schools; instituted policy changes at the King County Youth Service Center – *Organizer*.

Seattle Community Public Health & Safety Network - Solicited organizations to participate in projects that promote community involvement in schools, recreational programs, and events that reduced child abuse. – *Chairman*.

King County Youth Council. - Provided oversight, awarded funds to organizations and monitored services to help organizations reach the required results – *Board Member*.

Reinvesting in Youth Council - Formulated recommendations for the Mayor and County Executive on strategies for coordinating a system of intervention and preventive youth services to reduce recidivism rates and the disproportionate number of minority youth incarcerated – *Board Member*.

University of Washington Danforth Mentor - Coached principal candidates by mentoring, introducing literature, and creating educational scenarios to reveal and teach proven leadership principles – *Instructor/Coach*.

EDUCATIONAL/PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Black Child Development Institute (Vice President)

Seattle Community College Technical Advisory Committee

National Association of Secondary School Principals

National Association of Black Educators

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Southeast Seattle Educational Coalition

Community Truancy Board (1 year)

Boys Basketball Coach (12 years)

Little League Umpire (3 years)

Neighborhood Black Watch Captain (6 years)

REFERENCES

Director of Casey Family Programs Lyman Legters,
98104

Email:

Parent, Ms. Mary Flowers

Email:

Phone:

Other references submitted upon request

Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee

17 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125604*, 12 members subject to City Council confirmation, *staggered*-year terms:

- 6 City Council-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 6 Mayor-appointed 3-year terms, subject to City Council confirmation
- 5 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): *Ordinance 125604*

Roster:

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6	F		2.	Member	Natalie Beauregard	1/1/23	12/31/25	1	Council
3	F	2	3.	Member	Manuela Slye	1/1/24	12/31/26	2	Council
3	F		4.	Member	Janet Ceballos	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Council
2	M	2	5.	Member	Donald T. Felder	1/1/24	12/31/26	3	Council
			6.	Member	Vacant	1/1/24	12/31/26		Council
9	M		7.	Member	Girard Montejo-Thompson	1/1/25	12/31/26	1	Mayor
2	F		8.	Member	Linda Thompson-Black	1/1/25	12/31/26	2	Mayor
1	F		9.	Member	Susan Yu Yi Lee	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	M		10.	Member	Marques Gittens	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Mayor
2	F	4	11.	Member	Lakeya Afolalu	1/1/24	12/31/26	1	Mayor
6	M		12.	Member	Evan M. Smith	1/1/25	12/31/26	2	Mayor
9	M	N/A	13.	Mayor	Bruce Harrell	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
3	F	N/A	14.	Library, Education and Neighborhoods Committee	Maritza Rivera	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
2	M	N/A	15.	School District Superintendent	Brent Jones	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
9	F	N/A	16.	School District Board Member	Sarah Clark	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604
1	F	N/A	17.	Chancellor of Seattle Colleges	Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap	N/A	N/A	1	Ordinance 125604

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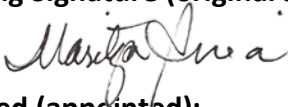
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Reappointment of Manuela Slye as member, Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Manuela Slye		
Board/Commission Name: Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy Oversight Committee		Position Title: Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" 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: Fill in appointing authority		Term of Position: * 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: West Seattle	Zip Code: 98116	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: My lifelong passion is education. and education access for all. I believe we must make sure all children have the best opportunities for the best outcomes. I understand the weight of the committee responsibility to ensure decisions are made with integrity. My experience serving as a parent leaders has taught me the passion and conviction of educators, families and school leaders to serve our students. Our human capital and future of our world deserve our best work. As an educator I deeply understand the charge to support our children to become the best citizens they can by educating and celebrating them. In our current climate, an intentional emphasis must be placed in racial equity to overcome the terrible injustices in our system and to overcome the deep opportunity gap in our city		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 3/5/2025		Appointing Signatory: Maritza Rivera District 4 Councilmember

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Manuela Slye

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CAREER OBJECTIVE

Dynamic, results-oriented leader with extensive experience in education in multiple areas: as an early childhood education professional, founder of Cometa Playschool and public education advocate. Highly skilled in strategic planning. Proven track record of leading successful initiatives to benefit students, families and community. Experienced in leading and building relationships across the board to bring leaders, community members and stakeholders together.

SKILLS

Executive Leadership

Cultural Strategist

Innovative curriculum designer

Forward Thinker

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MEMBER, COMMUNITY WISDOM COUNCIL, Seattle, WA

PSSED, September 2022–Present

- Collaborated with school district representatives from across the region to develop strategies for race, equity and social justice
- Provided guidance as Latino cultural broker and language justice advocate in public education settings
- Contributed as an agent of change as member of the Puget Sound Transformational Collaborative

MEMBER, LEVY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, Seattle, WA

City of Seattle – DEEL, September 2021–Present

- Provided recommendations on the design and modification of programs funded by the Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise (FEPP) Levy, including the Dual Language model as gap closing strategy
- Monitored the progress of those investments in meeting intended outcomes and goals
- Attended site visits and engaged with community receiving support has through the FEPP Levy

COMMUNITY ADVISOR, Seattle, WA

Antioch University, November 2018–Present

- Provided guidance to Teacher Candidates as they conducted their teacher residency at local elementary schools
- Reviewed and evaluated Candidate's presentations and coursework
- Participated as Member of the Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation Institute Team as a community partner

FOUNDER, Seattle, WA

Cometa Playschool, July 2008–Present

- Founded the first Spanish Immersion Preschool in West Seattle in 2008
- Developed and maintained school's vision, mission statement and strategic plan
- Designed and implemented an innovative curriculum centered on social/emotional development and second language acquisition
- Cultivated relationships with families, educators and community members to create safe, welcoming environments

EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, Seattle, WA

North Seattle Community College, June 2009

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN FOREIGN TRADE, Mexico City, Mexico

Instituto Politecnico Nacional, June 1986

LANGUAGES

- **Spanish**
Native Speaker
- **French**
Advanced

ADVOCACY APPOINTMENTS

MEMBER, SPECIAL EDUCATION TASK FORCE, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, September 2021–Present

MEMBER, TITLE IX TASK FORCE, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, September 2021–May 2022

MEMBER, HC/RACE AND EQUITY SERVICES ADVISORY, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, September 2019–July 2020

MEMBER, STRATEGIC PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, October 2018–May 2019

MEMBER, DUAL LANGUAGE TASK FORCE, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, September 2016–July 2018

MEMBER, EQUITY AND RACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seattle, WA

Seattle Public Schools, September 2017–July 2018

AWARDS

- 2010 KCTS Exceptional Caregiver Award
- 2012 Univision/Allstate Latino Community Award
- 2023 Washington State PTA Lifetime Achievement Award

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

MODERATOR, CON CONFIANZA Y EN COMUNIDAD, Seattle, WA

A project in partnership with King County Public Health and the Latino Community in response to the Covid-19 pandemic
May 2020–Present

GUEST, RADIO 1360 EL REY, Seattle, WA

On-air bi-monthly talks about topics of interest to the Spanish speaking community
September 2022–Present

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Appointment of Tom Graff as member, Pike Place Market Historical Commission, for a term to December 1, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Tom Graff		
Board/Commission Name: Pike Place Market Historical Commission		Position Title: Position 10 – Allied Arts of Seattle
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date Appointed: 2/2/2025	Term of Position: * 12/2/2024 to 12/1/2027 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: Downtown	Zip Code: 98121	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Tom Graff has a background that includes building engineering, downtown Seattle commercial real estate, and community organizing. He has been actively engaged with the Market for several decades as a neighbor and advocate. As a real estate professional, he is knowledgeable about local regulatory processes related to buildings and land use. He is a strong proponent of the Market and highly values the social and economic benefits it contributes to the city and region.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date: February 2, 2025		Appointing Signatory: Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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Tom Graff, President-Commercial Ewing & Clark, Inc.

Real Estate LIC# 8284 – 11/1/1986 - Present

As President of Ewing & Clark, Inc., Tom Graff has over thirty-two years of commercial sales and leasing experience. He has completed over 1500 real estate transactions specializing in urban retail and mixed used buildings. Recent projects include the office, retail leasing of 1924 First Avenue, Komo Plaza at Seattle Center, Securities Building in Downtown Seattle, Capri in Kirkland, Astro in lower Queen Anne, Stimpson Green Mansion on First Hill, Buildings in Ballard Historical District, Encore in Columbia City, and East Howe Lofts in Eastlake.

Recent clients include Unico, SRM, Madison Marquette, Tom Douglas, WA Trust for Historic Preservation, Core Spaces, and Kimpton Hotel Group. Tom is also responsible for management of the downtown Seattle commercial office, which includes over 15 agents, commercial property managers, and administrative staff.

Education:

B. S. Civil Engineering (Building Design)
University of Southern California, Magna Cum Laude
Qualified Engineer, U.S. Naval Submarine Force

Community Involvement:

Chair, Belltown United
Board Member, Allied Arts of Seattle
Board Member, Klee HOA
Retired CAPT. U.S. Navy Reserve

Address: [REDACTED]

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Pike Place Market Historical Commission

12 Members: Pursuant to Ordinances 100475 & 124935, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 0 City Council-appointed
- 12 Mayor-appointed
- 0 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

Roster:

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6	F	7	1.	Friends of the Market	Elisa Shostak	12-2-22	12-1-25	1	Mayor
9	F	7	2.	Friends of the Market	Sarah E. Baker	12-2-23	12-1-26	1	Mayor
1	F	7	3.	Architect	Grace Leong	12-2-22	12-1-25	2	Mayor
6	M	1	4.	Architect	Mark C. Childs	12-2-23	12-1-26	2	Mayor
			5.	Merchant	Vacant	12-2-23	12-1-26		Mayor
8	F	N/A	6.	Merchant	Golnaz Mohammadi	12-2-22	12-1-25	2	Mayor
6	M	7	7.	Resident	Jonathan Cracolici	12-2-21	12-1-24	1	Mayor
			8.	Resident	Vacant	12-2-20	12-1-23		Mayor
6	F	1	9.	Property Owner	Lisa Martin	12-2-22	12-1-25	2	Mayor
6	M	7	10.	Allied Arts of Seattle	Tom Graff	12-2-24	12-1-27	1	Mayor
6	M	1	11.	Allied Arts of Seattle	Samuel Farrazaino	12-2-17	12-1-20	2	Mayor
			12.	At-Large	Vacant	12-2-24	12-1-27		Mayor

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Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Appointment of Augustine K. Rietsema as member, Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority Governing Council, for a term to June 30, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Augustine K. Rietsema		
Board/Commission Name: Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority		Position Title: Member
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Appointing Authority: Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Governing Council</i>	Date Appointed: 11/21/2024	Term of Position: * 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2027 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood/Council District: Council District 7	Zip Code: 98121	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: A Senior Manager of Product, Augustine Rietsema has held several positions at Amazon and has a deep understanding of retail and a strong multi-disciplinary approach to product management and customer interactions. This experience makes him a strong asset to the PDA Council as it implements its 50-year Master Plan. His public service experience includes work as a trustee for the United States Coast Guard Foundation. He lends further strategic expertise, having served as campaign manager for a New York State Assembly candidate, Deputy Finance Director for a U.S. Congressional candidate, and as a Field Organizer for the New York State Democratic Party. The Council approved resolution 24-66 resulting in Mr. Rietsema's fulfillment of Ray Ishii's four-year term, running through June 30, 2027.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: Name Devin McComb Position PDA Council Chair

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

Recent Experience:

Amazon.com: Seattle, WA, April '17 - Present

Sr. Manager – Product Management, Tech, Buy with Prime & Multi-Channel Fulfillment; October '20 – Present

- Manage a team of 10 Sr. and Principal Product Managers- Tech, responsible for delivering the merchant facing elements of Amazon's Buy with Prime and Multi-Channel Fulfillment program. These PMTs carry direct responsibility for the roadmap of >100 engineers.
- Manage a team of 4 technical programming writers responsible for delivering all [customer facing help documentation](#) for Buy with Prime and Multi-Channel Fulfillment.

Senior Product Manager - Tech, Pricing, Amazon Fresh Stores; October '19 – October '20

- Responsible for pricing strategy and execution for Amazon's strategic push into large-scale physical grocery.
- Single-threaded owner of a monthly pricing review with VP audience to provide insight into pricing metrics and strategy.
- Ideate and launch products built to harmonize core Amazon.com pricing systems with the nuanced requirements of a grocery environment (e.g. competitive intelligence, variable weight pricing, regional pricing, pricing integrity).
- Manage a team of associates tasked with monitoring competitors and providing pricing intelligence.
- Participated in regular backlog grooming and sprint planning with Technical Program Managers, Software Development Managers, and Business Intelligence leaders across multiple internal teams; including central pricing, physical stores tech, competitive monitoring, and grocery catalog/selection.

Senior Program Manager, Supply Chain; July '18 – October '19

- Served as Program Manager for the U.S. Direct Fulfillment program – the fastest growing fulfillment channel within Amazon Retail at the time, accounting for \$3 billion+ of annual customer shipments.
- Convened and oversaw cross-functional teams designed to solve challenges involving channel optimization, vendor lead time management, ship cost reduction, carrier capacity constraints, reverse logistics, and new selection onboarding.
- Navigated complex data sets using SQL to understand project impacts and overall health of the Direct Fulfillment program.
- Communicated with executive audiences across multiple verticals up to the SVP level to provide program updates and maintain internal alignment.

Retail Vendor Manager II, Home Innovation Team; October '17 – June '18

- Managed a portfolio of 15 strategic furniture vendors representing \$100M+ in annual revenue. Analyzed financial performance, consulted on growth strategy, facilitated deal participation, and negotiated vendor terms. Achieved YoY growth rate of 71% among vendor set (vs. 24% category average).
- Served as project manager for the launch of Amazon's first exclusive designer collaboration, Now House by Jonathan Adler (owned the launch through Oct. '18).
- Collaborated with central supply chain teams to launch Project BOOSTER – a five-person cross-functional team tasked with identifying improvements to vendor lead time measurement logic. Results of this project enabled faster, more accurate lead times to be communicated to end customers while still achieving delivery estimate accuracy. Project delivered \$25M in incremental sales from March '18 to July '18.

Business Development Manager I, Home Innovation Team; April '17 – September '17

- Conducted ecommerce business development across the home furnishings category; worked to onboard strategic vendors and expand selection offerings from existing partners. Closed selection gap of 3.5k+ priority SKUs across 50+ vendors (closed 66.9% of owned selection gap, +1614bps vs. team average of 50.8%).
- Developed scalable SOPs for use by global central teams designed to better automate the process of mapping existing Amazon selection while identifying gaps; trained international teams on usage of the SOPs.
- Served as a fulfillment operations specialist; developed automated solutions to minimize vendor ship times which were scaled across the entire Amazon vendor fulfillment network.
- Promoted to Vendor Manager II after 6 months; 18 months ahead of standard promotion schedule.

Education:

Cornell University: Ithaca, NY

GPA: 4.0

B.S. Industrial & Labor Relations; Minor in Business

Jan. '13 – May '14, Jan. '15 – May '16

Board Experience:

Trustee, [United States Coast Guard Foundation](#)

The Coast Guard Foundation is committed to ensuring all Coast Guard members and families have the resources they need to build resilience throughout their lives.

Other Experience:

MacroFuel Food, Inc: Ithaca, NY

Founder & CEO; Aug. '15 – January '17

- Led the company through a successful Kickstarter campaign to bring product to market; sourced funding of over \$22,000 in 30 days. This was completed while I was still an undergraduate at Cornell.
- Built a creative, international, self-sustaining supply chain that utilized contract manufacturing and fulfillment to bring the product to customers with minimal labor costs.
- MacroFuel sold \$90,000 worth of product in 10 months of operation.

Billy Jones for NYS Assembly: Plattsburgh & Albany, NY

Campaign Manager; August '16 – November '16

- Led the campaign to elect the first Democrat to represent the 115th Assembly District of New York in over 50 years.
- Handled day-to-day operations while managing campaign staff, interns, and volunteers.
- Oversaw all campaign communications while organizing earned media events and managing press relations.
- Organized campaign fundraisers and managed a budget exceeding \$1,000,000.

Aaron Woolf for Congress: Plattsburgh, NY

Deputy Finance Director; May '14 – November '14

- Owned an individual donor outreach program which raised over \$730,000 in six months, while working directly with the entire finance team in raising over \$1,100,000 in the same period.
- Managed relationships with existing and prospective donors; enabled the utilization of their networks, as well as direct solicitation.
- Played a leading role in organizing 50+ person fundraising events with surrogates including Congressman Paul Tonko, Congressman Bill Owens, and Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan.

New York State Democratic Party: Plattsburgh, NY

Field Organizer; May '12 – November '12

- Organized all volunteer operations in three separate counties for the successful re-election bid of Rep. Bill Owens (NY-21). All three counties turned out higher vote totals for the Congressman than initial campaign projections.
- Recruited, trained, organized, and retained over 100 active volunteers, as well as 12 interns.
- Produced over 1,300 volunteer shifts that delivered 75,000 phone calls and knocked 14,000 doors throughout the campaign.

Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority

December 2024

12 Members: Pursuant to *RCW 35.21.730 and Seattle Municipal Code 3.110; all subject to City Council confirmation, 4-year terms:*

- 4 Mayor-appointed
- 8 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): (4) Constituency and (4) PDA Governing Council

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M	7	1.	Member	Gabriel Grant	7/1/22	6/30/26	1	Mayor
6	M	3	2.	Member	Paul Neal	7/1/21	6/30/25	2	Governing Council
6	M	7	3.	Member	Devin McComb	7/1/21	6/30/25	2	Mayor
6	M	7	4.	Member	Nick Setten	7/1/22	6/30/26	2	Constituency
6	M	6	5.	Member	Russell Monroe	7/1/21	6/30/25	1	Constituency
6	M	7	6.	Member	Augustine K. Rietsema	7/1/23	6/30/27	1	Governing Council
1	M	7	7.	Member	Gundeep Singh	7/1/24	6/30/28	2	Mayor
6	F	6	8.	Member	Margaret Norton-Arnold	7/1/22	6/30/26	1	Governing Council
6	F	N/A	9.	Member	Christine Vaughan	7/1/24	6/30/28	1	Constituency
6	F	7	10.	Member	Gina Karaba	7/1/23	6/30/27	1	Constituency
6	F	N/A	11.	Member	Patrice Barrentine	7/1/24	6/30/28	4	Governing Council
6	F	3	12.	Member	Jan Hendrickson	7/1/23	6/30/27	2	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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Mayor	3	1			1					3			
Gov. Council	2	2								4			
Other	2	2								4			
Total	7	5			1					11			

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Appointment of Monica Houston as member, Pioneer Square Preservation Board, for a term to August 31, 2025.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Montana Houston</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Pioneer Square Preservation Board</i>		Position Title: <i>Get Engaged 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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		Term of Position: * 9/1/2024 to 8/31/2025 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Rainier Beach</i>	Zip Code: 98118	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Born and raised in Seattle, Montana Houston is honored to serve on the Pioneer Square Preservation District Board. Her passion for preserving Seattle's history began during a Seattle Underground Tour and grew through her experiences as a community advocate. A graduate of the University of Southern California with a degree in Pre-Law, she brings a blend of legal expertise and leadership to her work. As a previous Seattle Renters' Commissioner and current founder of rYOUminate (an edu-tech platform for diverse 18 to 30-year-olds), she uplifts underserved communities and promotes inclusion. She is excited to help preserve Pioneer Square's rich legacy while celebrating Seattle's diverse cultures.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): February 3rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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

MONTANA HOUSTON

EDUCATION

Aug. 2016 – May 2020	University of Southern California (USC) , Los Angeles, CA	GPA: 3.83 / 4.00
	<i>Bachelor of Arts, Non-Governmental Organizations and Social Change (Pre-Law)</i>	Magna Cum Laude
	<i>Minor in East Asian Languages and Cultures (Japanese)</i>	
	<i>Honors and Awards: Dean's List (Aug 2016 - May 2020), Renaissance Scholar (2020), Levan Humanities Scholar (2020), Warren Bennis Leadership Scholar (2020)</i>	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

July 2022 – Present	Dropbox , San Francisco, CA	<i>Senior Commercial Legal Analyst</i>
Aug. 2020 – July 2022		<i>Commercial Legal Analyst</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Negotiates and drafts contracts, including NDAs, SOWs, and SaaS Agreements; to date, have executed 547 deals with total value of \$105,099,687.00, 4.2% of its annual revenue.• Invented time-saving process for team of 18 by creating a review guide for event and hotel contracts, reduced negotiating time by 85% and contract influx by 92%.• Transformed new-hire training from manual discussions to on-demand videos to reduce onboarding duration, successfully created 5 videos and onboarded 4 new employees, saved 72 training hours.• Chairs 27 cross-functional initiatives, including Software as a Service agreement playbook, Insurance terms review, and influencer agreement template, informs tasks for team of 18.	
May 2019 – Aug. 2019	Discover Financial Services , Riverwoods, IL	<i>Legal Department Intern</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted cross-merchandising analysis on 6 competitors' travel rewards cards by consolidating trigger disclosures against Miles Card via Excel Document and presented information to stakeholders• Analyzed loss payee terms to discern corporate claim to abandoned property and compiled findings into 50 state survey in Excel sheet, yielding a widely used department resource	
May 2017 – Aug. 2017	Goodwill Job Training & Education Center , Seattle, WA	<i>Financial Literacy Consulting Intern</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initiated a schedule of 10+ financial programs across 3 Goodwill Job Training & Education centers to streamline service offerings to a low income, ESL community of over 17,000 people• Assisted Senior Financial Consultant in teaching personal financial concepts to 5 classes of 40 students	

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

• Sep. 2024 – Oct 2024	YMCA x City of Seattle: Seattle Renters' Commissioner , advising Mayor Bruce Harold on renter issues.
• Sep. 2024 – Sep. 2025	Leadership Tomorrow: Participant , Chosen as 1 of 45 Seattle leaders to advocate for local racial equity.
• May 2024 – Present	Access Fellows: Community Chair & 2024 Fellow , leader in a highly selective pre-MBA fellowship.
• Mar 2024 – Present	rYOUminate: Founder & CEO , research- and reflection-based media publication for 18 to 30 year-olds.
• Mar 2024 – Present	Treehouse: Treehouse Ambassador Board & Volunteer , advocates for foster care education services.
• Jan. 2024 – Present	Forte MBALaunch: Launcher , participant in pre-MBA professional development program for women.
• Sep. 2021 – Present	Dropbox: Legal Diversity Co-Lead , executed diversity survey of 16 law firms, improved growth by 80%.
• Jan. 2021 – May 2024	Dropbox: Internal Engagement Chair , planned 13 events for Black History Month for 2k+ employees.
• Feb. 2018 – Mar. 2020	USC: Senior Director of Programming , directed 16 organizations, delegated \$2.4m budget for events.
• Apr 2018 – May 2020	USC: Cohort 3 Scholar , chosen as 1 of 20 scholars for leadership development from 130+ applicant pool.
• Apr 2018 – May 2019	USC: Executive Director , managed \$69k budget and hosted 39 events, and saw 67% rise in recruitment.

ENGAGEMENTS & INTERESTS

Engagements	University of Washington's Foster School of Business Youth Executives of Color Keynote Speaker for 2016 program; two-time YEOC Case Competition winner against 30 teams of 5.
Interests	Managing my book blog; practicing Japanese (adv. proficiency); crocheting blankets; practicing servant leadership; doing aerial yoga.

Pioneer Square Preservation Board

Ten Members: Pursuant to SMC 23.66.110, *all* members subject to City Council confirmation, **3**-year terms except for the Get Engaged which will be a 1-year term per SMC 3.51:

- **#** City Council-appointed
- **10** Mayor-appointed
- **#** Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
		2	1.	Property Owner	Vacant	3/2/23	3/1/26		Mayor
6	F	7	2.	Historian	Maureen R. Elenga	3/2/22	3/1/25	2	Mayor
6	M		3.	Property Owner	Henry Watson	3/2/22	3/1/25	1	Mayor
2	F		4.	Get Engaged	Montana Houston	9/1/24	8/31/25	1	Mayor
		2	5.	At Large	vacant	3/2/22	3/1/25		Mayor
3	M		6.	Architect	Jose Lorenzo-Tores	3/2/21	3/1/24	1	Mayor
2	M	N/A	7.	Human Services	Steven D. Sparks	3/2/22	3/1/25	1	Mayor
		2	8.	Attorney	vacant	3/2/23	3/1/26		Mayor
6	M	2	9.	Retail	Karl Mueller	3/2/22	3/1/25	1	Mayor
1	F	N/A	10.	Architect	Sohyun Kim	3/2/22	3/1/25	1	Mayor

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Mayor	4	3		1	1	2	1			3			
Council													
Other													
Total	4	3			1	2	1			3			

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Appointment of Leonard Harrison Jerome as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to August 31, 2025.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Leonard Harrison Jerome</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</i>		Position Title: <i>Get Engaged 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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 8/31/2025 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Ravenna</i>	Zip Code: <i>98115</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>I want to serve on the board because I fundamentally believe that we must prove that democracy can deliver for its constituents. I also believe that this city must drastically change to accommodate the millions of people that will come here over this century. I deeply want this city to invest in safety infrastructure as well as infrastructure that saves people the need to own a car. I want to ensure these projects happen. I can apply my skills as a manufacturing and mechanical engineer, which will allow me to better ensure that SDOT and the City Council are delivering voter-approved projects.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): April 23rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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

Leonard Harrison Jerome

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Government collaboration and communication skills, as demonstrated on NE design review board
- Effective leadership experience as demonstrated from being project manager at Boeing
- Experience with initiative and political campaigns, as demonstrated from being one of the top canvassers on I-137, and Alexis Mercedes Rinck campaigns
- Certified in biliteracy (English and Spanish) by the State of Washington (2018)

POLITICAL ACTION WORK EXPERIENCE:

City of Seattle | NE Design Review Board Member (2024-)

- Responsibilities include: studying building plan, discussion with other board members on granting or rejecting departures that violate Seattle design guidelines
- Advanced or gave feedback on 4 NE Seattle developments so far

The Boeing Company | SPEEA Union Area Representative (2023-2024)

- Represented my building on SPEEA council
- Filed motion, and successfully advocated for SPEEA union to endorse I-137

I-137/Proposition 1A Campaign | Canvasser (2024-2025)

- Acquired several hundred signatures over course of campaign
- Gathered more than 100 signatures on first day of campaign

Alexis Mercedes Rinck Campaign | Canvasser (2024)

- Often assigned by field organizer Holden Ringer to help new volunteers on their first times
- Gathered 14 democracy voucher sheets in 3-hour period

RELEVANT ENGINEERING LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

The Boeing Company | Manufacturing Engineer | Everett, WA (2022 - 2024)

- Supported creating model-based digital twin of new 737 MAX production system in Everett
 - Created dynamic master geometry of factory floor, mapping buildings, pillars, factory assembly areas, and breakdown of assembly areas
 - Created dynamic models of factory tooling used in assembly line, allowing simulations of construction to be performed, created user guide demonstrating this process
- Investigated functional test delays in 737 MAX assembly line in Renton factory
 - Performed root-cause analysis and shipping tracking to identify 4 contractor parts in the supply chain that were consistently not arriving on time, by as much as 25 days, forcing bleed electrical functional tests to be performed out of sequence. Fixing this problem eliminated an average 7.8 workday delay for the test to be performed
 - Performed root-cause analysis on the lightning protection functional test. Identified stripping of a connector that was causing a consistent 4-5 hours of rework per failure, averaging 3.3 hours of delay per plane. Successfully identified an already-approved replacement connector that would not strip
- Project manager of documentation compliance for new 737 MAX line in Everett, Washington
 - Organized teams across enterprise to interrogate their respective documentation for issues that would prevent 737 MAX from being built in the Everett factory
 - Created document tracking system that showed progress of teams week to week

Lafarge & Egge LLC | Intern | Lynnwood, WA (June 2019 - September 2020)

- Built Excel programs for forecasts of profit and tracking part assembly

EDUCATION:

University of Washington, Seattle | Mechanical Engineering Bachelor's Degree (2022)

Transportation Levy Oversight Committee

19 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 127053*, all appointed members are subject to City Council confirmation, 4-year terms, except for the Get Engaged Member who will serve a 1-year term pursuant to SMC 3.51.

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 6 Mayor-appointed (includes 1 Get Engaged position)
- 1 Chair of City Council's Transportation Committee - Ordinance
- 1 City Budget Director - Ordinance
- 1 Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board
- 1 Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board
- 1 Seattle Transit Advisory Board
- 1 Seattle Freight Advisory Board

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
			1.	Chair of CC's Transportation Committee	Rob Saka	N/A	N/A		Ordinance
			2.	City Budget Director	Dan Eder	N/A	N/A		Ordinance
6	M	5	3.	Ex-Officio Member	Wes Mills	N/A	N/A		Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board
6	F	7	4.	Ex-Officio Member	Donna McBain Evans	N/A	N/A		Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board
6	M	7	5.	Ex-Officio Member	Zachary Burton	N/A	N/A		Seattle Transit Advisory Board
6	F		6.	Ex-Officio Member	Geri Poor	N/A	N/A		Seattle Freight Advisory Board
6	M	4	7.	Get Engaged Member	Leonard Harrison Jerome	01/01/25	8/31/25	1	Mayor
6	M	2	8.	Member	Jack Brand	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
6	F	3	9.	Member	Alex Hudson	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
6	M	6	10	Member	Chase Kitchen	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
2	M	5	11.	Member	Kaid Ni Ray-Tipton	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
2	F	2	12.	Member	Nafiso D. Samatar	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
1	M	6	13.	Member	Steven C. Pumphrey	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			14.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council
3	M	3	15.	Member	Tyler J. Vasquez	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			16.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council

5	M	6	17.	Member	Jack Edson Whisner	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			18.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council
			19.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council

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Mayor	4	2				2				4			
Council	3						1			2			
Other	2	2								4			
Total	9	4				2	1			10			

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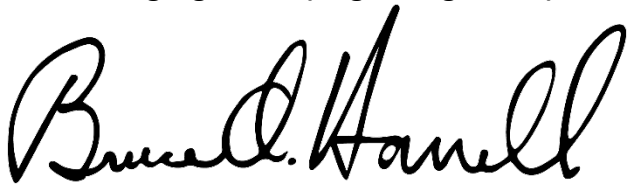
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Appointment of Jack Brand as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Jack Brand</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Rainier Beach</i>	Zip Code: <i>98101</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>I believe transportation is critical to a healthy Seattle, and I also agree with the vision and goals of the Levy in its focus on addressing and mitigating past injustice with regard to communities of color, and the historical lack of attention (and dollars) invested in infrastructure and transportation. I believe through my own personal involvement in Rainier Beach community and especially RBAC, I have gained valuable perspective and context that will allow me to contribute to the LOC. Also in a general sense, I very much enjoy working with groups of people on projects with values-based goals.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): April 23rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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

Jack Brand



Summary

Rainier Beach resident actively involved in community issues, especially transportation topics. Deep experience working with teams to analyze and solve multi-faceted problems. Strongly committed to helping the Rainier Beach community thrive. Retired.

Strengths

- Proven ability to work with highly diverse teams
- Ability to listen to all viewpoints, synthesize information, and guide teams to decisions
- Excellent written and verbal communication
- Wide variety of project and program management experience
- Strong history of relationship oriented and values oriented leadership

Relevant Experience

Rainier Beach Action Coalition (RBAC) - Volunteer

- Appointed to lead community/business roundtable for Transportation and Land Use
- Participated in two phases of Recreating Henderson Street Project (from Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan) - roles included collection and analysis of community surveys, and assessing Transportation needs

University of Washington Information Technology - Assistant Director

- Led campus-wide Information Technology Advisory Committee - monthly meeting of UW departments and schools to address IT-related needs, prioritization and planning
- Led diverse team of engineers and analysts, which included complying with WA state financial reporting requirements

T-Mobile USA - Sr. Manager

- Member of T-Mobile Diversity Network, charged with creating opportunities and removing roadblocks for employees in historically marginalized demographics

Bellevue College

- Member of Parent Advisory Board, Venture Program for Unique Learners - advising the program which served students with disabilities

Northshore School District

- Parent Member of Community Advisory Committee for Special Education

Formal Education

Bachelor of Music in Composition University of Missouri, Columbia

Transportation Levy Oversight Committee

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Appointment of Alex Hudson as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
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Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>First Hill</i>	Zip Code: <i>98101</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Seattle's transportation network is the foundation of an equitable, sustainable, and thriving city. As someone who has spent years working at the intersection of transportation policy, advocacy, and implementation, I am deeply committed to ensuring that levy dollars are spent transparently, effectively, and in alignment with the city's mobility, climate, and equity goals. The Transportation Levy Oversight Committee plays a critical role in upholding public trust, ensuring accountability, and guiding investments that shape how people move through Seattle. I want to bring my expertise in public policy, government accountability, and transportation planning to help ensure that levy funds deliver the greatest possible benefit to the people of Seattle.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): April 23rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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Alex Hudson

EXPERIENCE

Commute Seattle — Executive Director

January 2024 - Present

Leading strategy and organizational development for Seattle's transportation management association. Building bridges between the private and public sectors to achieve public goals and support compliance with regulations.

Transportation Choices Coalition — Executive Director

August 2018 - May 2023

Led strategy, internal operations, and board management and fundraising for Washington's leading transportation advocacy organization. By building a strong team, broad coalitions, and winning campaigns we delivered game-changing improvements for transit riders and agencies, made transit free for every young person in Washington, and won more than \$6 billion in new funding.

First Hill Improvement Association — Executive Director

April 2014 - August 2018

As the organization's first employee I transformed a small and dedicated volunteer group into a respected and effective organization advancing First Hill's housing, transportation, social wellbeing, and economic priorities and established a culture of neighborhood engagement.

Community Attributes, Inc. — Communications Manager

February 2010 - April 2014

Developed internal and external marketing, proposals and reports, and led stakeholder research in community and economic development strategies and land use planning for governments and organizations throughout Puget Sound.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

WSDOT TDM Executive Committee — 2024 - present

Bellwether Housing Group, Vice-Chair — 2018 - present

Freeway Park Association, Secretary — 2013 - present

PSRC Transportation Policy Board — 2018 - 2023

Ultra High-Speed Ground Transportation Executive Committee — 2018 - 2022

Joint Transportation Committee Needs Assessment Advisory Panel — 2020

Climate Alliance for Jobs and Clean Energy — 2018 - 2022

EDUCATION

Western Washington University, Bellingham — BA: Political Science, Minors: Economics & Sociology — 2007

SKILLS

Non-Profit Operations and Staff Management

Public Policy Development and Government Relations

Strategic Plan Development and Delivery

Board Management

Coalition Building

Message Development and Public Speaking

Ballot Measures and Campaigns

Fundraising

AWARDS

Voices of Fairness The Drivers Union - 2022

Seattle's Most Influential People Seattle Magazine - 2015

Student Employee of the Year Western Washington University - 20007

Youth Activist of the Year American Civil Liberties Union of Washington - 2007

Transportation Levy Oversight Committee

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Appointment of Chase Kitchen as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
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Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Ballard</i>	Zip Code: <i>98107</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>With over fifteen years of experience in transportation policy and project development supporting federal, state, and local leaders with making effective, prudent decisions with the allocation of limited government resources, I am excited by the opportunity to serve my community on the Transportation Levy Oversight Committee. Across my professional career and volunteer commitments, I have found the most lasting successes are driven by a consistent, firm commitment to honesty and transparency, by encouraging greater accountability for decisions and programs, and by retaining a relentless focus on ensuring programs and investments maximize the benefits for the users of a system. I would be honored to contribute to building a Transportation Levy Oversight Committee that plays its role in ensuring taxpayer funds are used wisely, fairly, and for maximum benefit to our collective well-being.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): April 23rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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Chase Kitchen

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Amtrak

Seattle, WA

Government Affairs Manager, National State and Local Relations

Mar. 2022 – current

- Responsible for supporting the development and advancement of Amtrak’s strategic, legislative, and network growth priorities in the Northwest United States and British Columbia, Canada
- Building positive relationships with state, provincial, and local governments as well as key business and community-based organizations to support passenger rail enhancements and high-speed rail opportunities
- Major projects include supporting North America’s first customs preclearance facility for passenger rail and unprecedented federal appropriations for direct investments in passenger rail in the United States and Canada

City of Seattle, Office of the Mayor

Seattle, WA

Policy Advisor

Apr. 2019 – Jan. 2022

- Coordinated the City’s policy approach across a varied portfolio that included climate, sustainability, and environmental justice; parks and recreation; economic development, including emergency financial and technical assistance for small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic; and certain land use and transportation issues
- Led cross-departmental teams of City staff to collaboratively design policy solutions to some of Seattle’s most high-profile challenges, including developing program and project budgets, schedules, and performance measures
- Major projects included Industrial and Maritime Strategy, building and transportation electrification, Seattle Energy Code, Urban Forestry Management Plan and tree protection, and Small Business Stabilization Fund

Office of Senator Joe Donnelly

Washington, DC

Legislative Assistant

Feb. 2013 – Jan. 2019

- Principal advisor to the Senator for a legislative portfolio that included all matters under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; environment; energy; and transportation issues, including all public transit matters under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Represented Senator with constituents and organizations, developing strong relationships with key stakeholders across the political spectrum, including business, environmental, and transportation advocacy organizations
- Managed a legislative team that included two Legislative Correspondents and a State Agriculture Liaison
- Supported strategic communications plans, including reporter engagement on background and off the record
- Awarded inaugural Outstanding Congressional Staff Award by a stakeholder organization important to the Senator

Legislative Correspondent

Jan. – Feb. 2013

- Designed and established a correspondence program for newly-elected Senate office

Office of Representative Joe Donnelly

Washington, DC

Legislative Assistant

June – Dec. 2012

- Researched legislation, recommended votes, consulted on press releases, and represented Congressman Donnelly for a varied legislative portfolio that included veterans affairs, agriculture, transportation, energy, and labor

Legislative Correspondent

Jan. – May 2012

- Improved constituent response time by 17% as primary author and editor of hundreds of constituent letters

Staff Assistant

May – Dec. 2011

- Managed front office, including organizing and conducting Capitol tours, processing flag requests, and ordering office supplies; instituted electronic tour tracking process, replacing handwritten system

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Commute Seattle Treasurer, Advisory Board

2023 – current

Manufacturing, Maritime, Industrial Association Advisory Board

2024 – current

Cascade Bicycle Club Pedaling Relief Project Volunteer

2020 – current

EDUCATION

B.A. – Indiana University Fort Wayne, IN (2008)

MALA – St. John’s College Annapolis, MD (2012)

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Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
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Residential Neighborhood: <i>North Admiral</i>	Zip Code: <i>98116</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>My experiences in management, finance, board membership, and community activism equip me to contribute effectively to the committee's work. Furthermore, having spent most of my working career and retired life in Seattle, I believe I understand the city, its needs and how it works, better than many ordinary citizens.</i> <i>Steven was selected for appointment by Councilmember Rob Saka (District 1).</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 4/29/25		Appointing Signatory: <i>Rob Saka</i> <i>Councilmember</i>

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Resume of Steven C. Pumphrey

02/04 – Present: Retired and Neighborhood Community Activist

04/98 – 02/04: Washington Mutual Bank (Seattle, WA)

As Executive Vice President, Commercial Banking Division and President of Western Bank I lead the development and implementation of a nation-wide commercial banking strategy for this nation-wide thrift including commercial and real estate lending, trade finance (international), cash management and deposit services, and interest rate risk management (structure and sale of derivatives).

01/96 – 04/97: Vallicorp holdings, Inc. / Valliwide Bank (Fresno, CA)

As President, Chief Operating Officer, and director, I lead a turn around of this under-performing, super-community bank (\$1.5 billion assets, 50 branches) resulting in improved financial ratios and regulatory ratings enabling the sale of the company to another NASDAQ company at a significant gain for shareholders.

09/92 – 12/95: WestOne Bancorp (Boise, ID)

Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer responsible for oversight of all credit activities including development of loan policy, loan approval and internal risk examination. A high performing, \$9 billion, bank holding company, WestOne sold to U.S. Bancorp 12/95.

03/82 – 09/92: Security Pacific National Bank (Seattle, WA)

Security Pacific acquired Rainier National Bank in 1987. I held various positions in commercial and corporate lending and sales management; the last position was as Senior Vice president and Manager of the Specialized Lending Group (seafood, forest products, contractor and developer finance, and municipal finance).

09/71 – 02/82: Seattle First National Bank (Seattle, WA)

Held several branch and commercial banking lending and management positions; the last position was as Vice President and Manager of Northwest Correspondent Banking, providing credit and other banking services to community banks.

Education: BA, University of Washington, 1970
Honors Graduate, Pacific Coast Banking School, 1979

Military

Service: U.S. Army, Vietnam Veteran, Honorable Discharge, 04/66 – 04/68

Past Board

Experience: Director of Pacific Place Management, Inc. a Seattle retail mall developer and operator; board and executive committee member of the Downtown Seattle Association; trustee and executive committee member of the Education Assistance Foundation, chairman of the Northwest Education Loan Association, and trustee of the Student Loan Finance Association, related not-for-profit companies providing access to secondary education through loan guaranty programs and secondary market lending activities; trustee and chair of College Spark Washington, a multi-million dollar trust providing grants to organizations and schools to promote readiness for access to, and success in secondary education for students from underserved communities.

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Appointment of Kaid Ni Ray-Tipton as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Bitter Lake</i>	Zip Code: <i>98133</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>[REDACTED]</i>
Background: <i>169. 574. 49. 372. 101. Over time, these bus routes have changed and will continue to. Yet the impact on my memories and mobility around King County will remain. I want to serve on the Seattle Transportation Levy Oversight Committee (LOC) because—according to the 2012 annual report—the Bridging the Gap Oversight Committee ensured additional service was added to the 44 bus route; the bus I used to my first date with my future spouse. I want to serve on the LOC because—according to the 2024 Q2 report—the Levy to Move Seattle Oversight Committee ensured sidewalks were added in Bitter Lake; now I can walk safely with my daughter in our neighborhood. The previous members of these committees certified that the budget was spent accordingly, and this process can influence the daily lives of Seattleites. Many members of the Emerald City and I greatly appreciate the ability to view two decades’ worth of documentation on how the two previous levies have bettered the city; I am eager to carry on these traditions of transparency.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> Date Signed (appointed): April 23rd, 2025		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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Kaid Ni Ray-Tipton

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Stay-At-Home-Parent

January 2023–Present
Seattle, WA

- Organizing over 25 families in volunteer roles for each day of class, creating field trip opportunities for students, and approving school budgets as a board member of the Spanish immersion North Seattle Cooperative Preschool.
- Overseeing household operations and child development such as visiting parks in over 90 neighborhoods in Seattle, making notations of the park's strengths, and exploring the neighborhood's history.

Impact Justice

January 2018–January 2023
Washington, DC

Senior Program Associate

- Provided logistical oversight for over 25 six-month training audits with 16-person teams to increase the quality of audits within carceral facilities to maintain the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards.
- Administered the application, selection of candidates, and curriculum development for two 50-person cohorts in the PREA auditor candidate training while interfacing with internal teams and offices in the U.S. Department of Justice.

Office of Barack and Michelle Obama

September–December 2017
Washington, DC

Intern

- Processed hundreds of emails, tailored over fifty constituent requests, drafted several letters on behalf of President Barack Obama and Mrs. Michelle Obama weekly.
- Managed the President's resource allocation, distilled spreadsheets with thousands of data points, conducted research to ensure efficient and effective office operations.

New Virginia Majority Education Fund

March–November 2017
Alexandria, VA

Field Organizer and Lead Campus Organizer

- Educated formerly incarcerated individuals on restoration of voting rights, voter registration, and elections.
- Selected and managed students in an effort to engage over 500 students at George Mason University in voter registration.

U.S. House of Representatives

May 2016–March 2017
Washington, DC

Staff Assistant and Legislative Correspondent, Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal

- Managed the office's information system with nearly 700,000 constituents, intern program, and constituent tours.
- Drafted the Congresswoman's correspondence to constituents, elected officials, and appointed officials.

Staff Assistant, Congressman Adam Smith

Washington, DC

- Revamped the data system to enable timely and thorough responses, fielded constituent calls on a range of legislative issues, and led tours of the United States Capitol.
- Conducted legislative research by attending congressional briefings and utilizing the Congressional Research Services to inform policy memos and constituent correspondence.

EDUCATION

George Washington University

2020

Master of Public Administration

Washington, DC

- Recipient of the Walter Green Fellowship
- Fellowship Award in the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy & Public Administration
- Staff writer for *Brief Policy Perspectives*, the student-run blog of *Policy Perspectives*
- Pi Alpha Alpha

University of Washington

2016

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with Honors and Communications

Seattle, WA

Minors in Diversity and Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies

- *Thesis*: "Latent Affects of Cannabis Legalization: Racial Disproportionality and Disparity in Washington State Drug Convictions, 2000-2015"; published in Brown University Journal of Philosophy, Politics & Economics
- *Honors*: 2016 Sociology Award for Academic Excellence, 2016 Mary Gates Research Scholarship Recipient, 2016 Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity Scholar-Athlete, 2016 Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Society, 2016 Diverse Issues in Higher Education Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

- **Management Software**: Basecamp, Asana, Salesforce, Intranet Quorum, iConstituent, Front, and Van
- **Statistical Analysis**: Stata and SPSS

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Appointment of Nafiso D. Samatar as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Nafiso D. Samatar</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>New Holly</i>	Zip Code: <i>98108</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]

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Background:

I am eager to serve on the Seattle Transportation Levy Oversight Committee because of my deep commitment to transparency, accountability, and equitable resource allocation. With a background in human services and extensive experience supporting small businesses and marginalized communities, I understand how transportation investments impact economic mobility, public safety, and community well-being. As the President of the Somali Independent Business Alliance (SIBA), I have engaged in community-driven initiatives that prioritize equitable resource allocation and responsive decision-making. I have successfully managed grant-funded programs, monitored budgets, and ensured compliance with funding guidelines—skills that align closely with the LOC’s mandate to review expenditures, track project implementation, and provide recommendations to city leadership. Additionally, I worked on Seattle’s Electric Vehicle (EV) Incentive Pilot Project, where SIBA alongside ACCPNW helped enroll over 110 drivers in the program, guiding them through the application process to secure incentives. This experience deepened my understanding of the intersection between transportation policy, environmental sustainability, and community needs. Beyond my work at SIBA, I serve as the CEO of Team Consulting Support Services LLC, providing technical assistance to businesses, including regulatory compliance and strategic planning. My past roles as a youth mentorship coordinator, facilitator, and case manager have strengthened my ability to advocate for underrepresented communities, ensuring their voices are heard in policy decisions. Having worked with organizations such as the African Chamber of Commerce, Seattle Office for Civil Rights, and Seattle Public Schools, I bring a wealth of experience in program oversight, public engagement, and governance. I am excited about the opportunity to contribute my expertise to the Levy Oversight Committee and help guide investments that create a more accessible, efficient, and inclusive transportation system for all Seattle residents.

Authorizing Signature (original signature):**Date Signed (appointed):**
April 23rd, 2025**Appointing Signatory:****Bruce A. Harrell****Mayor of Seattle**



EDUCATION

HIGHLINE COLLEGE

Des Moines, WA
Human Services Profession
Human Resource Development Candidate

CITY UNIVERSITY ONLINE UK

Public Health Certificate Graduation 2012

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Bilingual- Somali and English
- Community Organizer
- Consulting
- Leadership Skills
- People Person
- Hard worker
- Networking
- Cultural Competency
- Business Development
- Advocacy
- Problem-solving
- Adaptability

CAREER OBJECTIVE

To enhance my working capacities, professional skills, business efficiencies and to serve organizations to the best of my ability with sheer determination and commitment. I would like to be the bridge that brings together the community together.

Experience

CEO

TEAM CONSULTING SUPPORT SERVICES LLC / APRIL 2024 - PRESENT

- Provide hands-on technical assistance to businesses for navigating regulatory processes, including licensing, and compliance filings.
- Offer expert guidance on selecting and acquiring appropriate business and property insurance coverage tailored to the specific needs and risks of each client.
- Develop and implement targeted marketing strategies to enhance brand visibility, attract customers, and drive business growth in the public domain.

PRESIDENT

SOMALI INDEPENDENT BUSINESS ALLIANCE (SIBA)
Seattle and Tukwila WA / Jan 2023 - Present

- Established vital connections with diverse stakeholders, including refugees, immigrants, and small businesses, enhancing access to resources and opportunities.
- Provided expert guidance to BIPOC entrepreneurs, advocating for their needs and interests while offering strategic business consultation.
- Orchestrated skill-building workshops and events to empower marginalized communities, promoting economic empowerment and social integration.
- Forged impactful collaborations with key entities like the African Chamber of Commerce, Seattle Neighborhoods, Seattle Foundation-N2N Program and the Port of Seattle, driving initiatives for business growth and community advancement.

YOUTH MENTORSHIP COORDINATOR

African Community Housing Development 2021-2022

- Helping youth to stay in school
- How they could become tomorrow's leaders
- Showing them the right path and show them effects of use of Drugs, alcohol and to make them positive thinker and success in their life
- Involve different activity

FACILITATOR

Seattle Neighborhood Housing, Guiding Good Choices
Nov 2017 - 2025

- Recruiting Students
- Interpreter and Translation

DIRECTOR

Somali Chamber of Commerce, Of Somali Business Women

May 2015 – 2018

- Association
- Training for business women
- Consulting
- Implementation

Seattle Office, Civil Rights, Seattle, WA / Jan 2013 - Jul 2013

- Trained refugee and immigrant women on Seattle's Civil Rights programs
- Instructed women on their rights as mothers in a public setting, including breast feeding regulations
- Taught them on differentiating on the many varieties of discrimination and how to protect themselves.

Seattle Neighborhood Group, Seattle, WA / Dec 2009 - 2014

- Planning Outreach Engagement Liaison
- Facilitated the local Somali Community's participation in the Neighborhood Planning and Local
- School Parents Participation in Parent for Public Schools
- Expedited the Somali Home Child Care participation in Child Protract Services
- Provided interpretation, translation for local Somali Community member

Seattle Public School, Seattle, WA / Jan 2007 - 2009

- Parent Leadership
- Train refugee and immigrant parents to negotiate with U.S
- Public Schools
- Assist parents to become active in their children's schools
- Educate parents in healthy nutrition and how to deal with post-traumatic stress
- Coach parents to work with their children in using pre-literacy activities.

SOMALI FAMILY ADVOCATE/ CASE MANAGER

Refugee Women's Alliance, Seattle, WA / Feb 2001 - Dec 2008

- Assisted clients to apply for subsidized housing, energy assistance and school enrollments
- Provided interpretation and transliteration services to Somali clients
- Facilitated intake and assessment process for newcomers
- Did outreach and recruitment for agency programs and organized community-based events.

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Appointment of Tyler J. Vasquez as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Tyler J. Vasquez		
Board/Commission Name: Transportation Levy Oversight Committee		Position Title: Member
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Residential Neighborhood: Squire Park	Zip Code: 98122	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: My commitment to equitable transportation stems from my lived experience in a frontline community where a freeway divided my neighborhood, cutting off access to nature and increasing pollution. This firsthand understanding of inequitable infrastructure drives my dedication to transparent, accountable, and community-centered transportation investments. With experience in policy, project management, and public engagement, I am well-equipped to support the Oversight Committee's role in monitoring Levy revenues, expenditures, and project implementation. Tyler was selected for appointment by Councilmember Joy Hollingsworth (District 3).		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 4/29/25		Appointing Signatory: Rob Saka Councilmember

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Summary of Qualifications

- Oversight & Strategy – Managed community engagement, cross-sector collaboration, and accountability tools for transportation plans.
- Transportation Policy & Equity – Advocated for \$133.5M in bicycle safety funding and prioritized investments in underserved communities.
- Data-Driven Engagement – Analyzed 61K+ data points to address equity gaps, increasing underrepresented participation by 20%.

Professional Experience

Officer | Cascade Bicycle Club | January 2024- Present

- Led advocacy and development for the Bicycle Safety Program within the Keep Seattle Moving Transportation Levy, securing \$133.5 million for bicycle safety improvements.
- Analyzed and developed transportation policies and projects focused on prioritizing investments in historically underfunded communities.
- Designed and advocated for bicycle safety initiatives that enhance neighborhood connectivity, ensuring people biking can travel to and within communities safely.

Associate | Stepherson & Associates | June 2022 – December 2023

SDOT: Seattle Transportation Plan

- Managed community engagement throughout the project life; partnered with multicultural media outlets to monitor key messaging, ensuring accurate communication of the draft Seattle Transportation Plan and future capital transportation project
- Conducted comprehensive analysis of 61,000 data points, leading to the identification of key gaps from underrepresented communities and the formulation of equitable engagement strategies that resulted in a 20% increase in underrepresented group participation within a six-month timeframe.

City of Shoreline: Comprehensive and Parks & Recreation Plan

- Analyzed and synthesized data from equitable engagement initiatives (9000 unique data points), crafting two succinct engagement summaries that highlighted critical community priorities and geographical data disparities.

King County Metro ADA Transition Plan

- Leveraged cultural and accessibility sensitivity to bridge communication gaps among the accessibility community and King County Metro; facilitated interviews and focus groups to encourage open dialogue between individuals with intellectual and functional disability.

Bicycle Master Plan Intern | Seattle Department of Transportation | June 2021 – June 2022

- Utilized comprehensive data analysis (project cost, engineering constraints, and community engagement data) to inform Mayor Bruce Harrell on a 1.5-mile protected bicycle lane from the Jose Rizal Bridge to Beacon Ave. Resulted in the successful approval on October 12, 2022

Management Consultant | Jan. 2021 – Dec. 2021Urban League Metro Seattle

- Conducted organizational and program evaluation to identify critical need areas during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Neighborhood House

- Facilitated purpose-oriented team-building exercises for the executive leadership team, resulting in the understanding of the organization's core mission through measured collaborative outcomes.

CROP Organization

- Co-created a social enterprise business model to help CROP Organization reimagine reentry and job placement for formerly incarcerated people; scaled organization from a \$1 million annual budget to a \$30 million organization within 5 years.

Programs Director | Vertical Generation | Jan. 2018 – July 2020

- Designed and facilitated climbing programs to introduce climbing to 30+ community-based organizations and 600 individuals in the Seattle
- Developed fundraising campaigns to secure restricted and unrestricted funds; 2019 Patagonia Environmental Grant Recipient to secure \$10,000 worth of unrestricted funds

Additional Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant, UW American Ethnic Studies Department | December 2021 – June 2022

- American Internment and Incarceration: Race, Discrimination, and Power
- Identities, Cultures and Power Across American Ethnic Groups

Board Member, Pike Place Market Foundation | June 2021 – June 2022

- Developed an implementation dashboard to evaluate the progress of the 5-year strategic plan

Education

University of Washington | June 2022

- Master of Public Administration, Evans School of Public Policy and Governance
- 2021 Social Entrepreneur Fellow, UW Population Health
- 2021-2022 Board Fellow, UW Foster School of Business

University of Redlands | Dec. 2014

- Bachelor of Arts in Race and Ethnic Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Business Management

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Appointment of Jack Edson Whisner as member, Transportation Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2028.

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City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Jack Edson Whisner</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Transportation Levy Oversight Committee</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
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Residential Neighborhood: <i>Ballard</i>	Zip Code: <i>98117</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>I want to help assure that the levy funds are spent well. I followed the formation of the Transportation Levy and commented to SDOT and the Council. The committee can provide helpful oversight to SDOT. Federal funds will be even more scarce; local funds must be very well spent.</i> <i>Jack was selected for appointment by Councilmember Cathy Moore (District 5).</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 4/29/25		Appointing Signatory: <i>Rob Saka</i> <i>Councilmember</i>

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Jack Edson Whisner



EMPLOYMENT

Transit Planner, King County Metro Transit, March 1991 to present:

- Network design, restructure, and implementation;
- RapidRide design and implementation;
- Coordination and design of transit capital projects;
- Service integration with Link light rail transit and RapidRide;
- Bus stop optimization;
- Transit Oriented Development coordination;
- Metro Connects, Long Range Plan;
- Transit Speed and Reliability projects;
- Puget Sound HOV Lane Pre-Design Studies;
- Six-Year Transit Development Plan

Economist, US Department of HUD, Seattle, July 1987 to February 1991:
housing market analysis and forecasting

Legislative Analyst Intern, King County Council, April 1985 to April 1986

EDUCATION

Masters of Arts in Economics, University of Washington, 1986

Bachelors of Arts in Economics, University of Washington, 1975

AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Paper and presentations at APTA conferences, 2005, 2012, 2017, and 2018;
Seattle Economist Council;

Transportation Choices Coalition, boardmember, 2000 to 2007;

Feet First, boardmember, 2008 to 2012;

Basketball, rowing, practical cyclist, backpacking.

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6	F		6.	Ex-Officio Member	Geri Poor	N/A	N/A		Seattle Freight Advisory Board
6	M	4	7.	Get Engaged Member	Leonard Harrison Jerome	01/01/25	8/31/25	1	Mayor
6	M	2	8.	Member	Jack Brand	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
6	F	3	9.	Member	Alex Hudson	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
6	M	6	10	Member	Chase Kitchen	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
2	M	5	11.	Member	Kaid Ni Ray-Tipton	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
2	F	2	12.	Member	Nafiso D. Samatar	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	Mayor
1	M	6	13.	Member	Steven C. Pumphrey	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			14.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council
3	M	3	15.	Member	Tyler J. Vasquez	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			16.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Cour

5	M	6	17.	Member	Jack Edson Whisner	01/01/25	12/31/28	1	City Council
			18.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council
			19.	Member		01/01/25	12/31/28		City Council

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	4	2				2				4			
Council	3						1			2			
Other	2	2								4			
Total	9	4				2	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.



Legislation Text

File #: CB 120969, **Version:** 2

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; implementing interim controls to comply with various state laws; establishing findings and adopting a workplan for permanent legislation; amending Sections 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.34.011, 23.44.006, 23.44.010, 23.44.011, 23.44.012, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.044, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.518, 23.45.522, 23.45.527, 23.45.529, 23.53.006, 23.53.025, 23.54.015, 23.54.020, 23.54.030, 23.84A.010, 23.84A.025, 23.84A.036, and 25.09.240 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

The full text of the bill is attached to the legislative file.

CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL _____

..title

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; implementing interim controls to comply with various state laws; establishing findings and adopting a workplan for permanent legislation; amending Sections 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.34.011, 23.44.006, 23.44.010, 23.44.011, 23.44.012, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.044, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.518, 23.45.522, 23.45.527, 23.45.529, 23.53.006, 23.53.025, 23.54.015, 23.54.020, 23.54.030, 23.84A.010, 23.84A.025, 23.84A.036, and 25.09.240 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

..body

WHEREAS, the Office of Planning and Community Development, in cooperation with other

City agencies including the Seattle Planning Commission, began in 2022 a series of programs and events, under the title One Seattle Plan, to engage the public in discussions about potential changes to the Comprehensive Plan, consistent with the One Seattle Plan Public Participation Plan and documented in the One Seattle Plan Public Engagement Report; and

WHEREAS, in April 2021, the Washington State Legislature passed Chapter 300, Laws of 2021

(also known as House Bill 1287), which directed the building code council to adopt rules for electric vehicle infrastructure requirements; and

WHEREAS, in April 2023, the Washington State Legislature passed Chapter 322, Laws of 2023

(also known as House Bill 1110), which amended the Growth Management Act to require certain cities, including Seattle, to allow the development of “middle housing” in all residential areas, including at least four units on each lot and at least six units per lot near transit or when at least two units are affordable; and

1 WHEREAS, in April 2023, the Washington State Legislature passed Chapter 333, Laws of 2023
2 (also known as House Bill 1293), which imposes limits on design review and requires
3 that design standards be clear and objective; and

4 WHEREAS, in March 2024, the Washington State Legislature passed Chapter 152, Laws of
5 2024 (also known as House Bill 2321), which clarified standards implemented through
6 House Bill 1110; and

7 WHEREAS, in March 2024, the Washington State Legislature passed Chapter 274, Laws of
8 2024 (also known as Senate Bill 6015), which imposes restrictions on parking
9 requirements; and

10 WHEREAS, in March 2024, the Office of Planning and Community Development published a
11 Draft Environmental Impact Statement analyzing the potential effects of five different
12 growth alternatives in the city through 2044 and a “no action” alternative, conducted two
13 public hearings, and received comments from the public on this document; and

14 WHEREAS, in March 2024, the Office of Planning and Community Development published a
15 Draft Comprehensive Plan rooted in a deliberate approach to creating more housing,
16 encouraging density near amenities and frequent transit, and preventing displacement;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, in Spring 2024, the Office of Planning and Community Development held open
19 houses across all seven council districts and received input from residents and community
20 groups over a two-month public comment period on the draft plan and an initial proposal
21 for updating Neighborhood Residential zones; and

22 WHEREAS, in Fall 2024, the Office of Planning and Community Development held open
23 houses across all seven council districts and received input from residents and community

groups over a two-month public comment period on a revised proposal for updating
Neighborhood Residential zones and draft legislation; and

WHEREAS, in January 2025, the Office of Planning and Community Development published a
Final Environmental Impact Statement that included analysis of a preferred growth
strategy alternative that increased potential housing supply in the city by doubling
residential development capacity and that promoted housing supply, variety, and
affordability by adding new and expanded areas for growth in neighborhoods across the
city;

WHEREAS, in February 2025, the Final Environmental Impact Statement was appealed to the
Hearing Examiner;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council makes the following legislative findings of fact and declares
as follows:

A. Chapter 322, Laws of 2023, Chapter 333, Laws of 2023, and Chapter 152, Laws of
2024, establish a deadline for local jurisdiction compliance of six months after its next periodic
comprehensive plan update required under RCW 36.70A.130. The Washington State Department
of Commerce has interpreted this deadline to be six months after the statutory deadline
established in RCW 36.70A.130. Consistent with this guidance, a compliance deadline for The
City of Seattle would be June 30, 2025. The requirements of Chapter 300, Laws of 2021, and
Chapter 274, Laws of 2024, are currently in effect.

1 B. The Land Use Code does not fully comply with Chapter 300, Laws of 2021, Chapter
2 322, Laws of 2023, Chapter 333, Laws of 2023, Chapter 152, Laws of 2024, and Chapter 274,
3 Laws of 2024, necessitating amendment of the code to ensure consistency with State law.

4 C. In October 2024, the Washington State Department of Commerce released an updated
5 model ordinance for local implementation of Chapter 322, Laws of 2023.

6 D. Chapter 322, Laws of 2023, stipulates that if a jurisdiction fails to enact development
7 regulations that comply with its requirements by the deadline, that the model ordinance
8 supersedes any non-compliant local development regulations for the purpose of issuance of
9 permits for middle housing development.

10 E. The Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) released by the Office of Planning
11 and Community Development in January 2025 includes analysis of a preferred alternative that
12 implements Chapter 300, Laws of 2021, Chapter 322, Laws of 2023, Chapter 333, Laws of 2023,
13 Chapter 152, Laws of 2024, and Chapter 274, Laws of 2024 through amendments to the City's
14 Comprehensive Plan and zoning regulations.

15 F. Following a 14-day appeal period, six separate appeals of the adequacy of the FEIS
16 were submitted to the City's Hearing Examiner.

17 G. Consistent with subsection 23.76.062.D and Sections 25.05.055 and 25.05.070 of the
18 Seattle Municipal Code, the City Council could not take action to approve legislation that is
19 subject to an active appeal under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

20 H. On April 11, 2025, the City Hearing Examiner dismissed all six appeals of the FEIS
21 pursuant to RCW 36.70A.600(3), RCW 36.70A.680(3), and RCW 43.21C.495.

22 I. If the City does not enact legislation to meet the requirements of Chapter 322, Laws of
23 2023, by June 30, 2025, any denial of a permit for development of middle housing that is

1 inconsistent with current development regulations is subject to challenge on the basis that State
2 model code would supersede the City's development regulations. The City would also be subject
3 to potential challenge to any permitting decision related to the requirements of other State
4 legislation cited in subsection 1.B of this ordinance.

5 J. Adopting interim legislation at this time, as an alternative to allowing the State model
6 code to apply automatically, is necessary to ensure that the requirements governing approval of
7 permits for middle housing meet the minimum requirements of Chapter 322, Laws of 2023, and
8 to ensure that regulations for middle housing development are sufficiently clear and complete for
9 the issuance of permits by the City. Interim legislation will also ensure compliance with other
10 new State requirements cited in subsection 1.B of this ordinance.

11 Section 2. The interim development regulations set forth in this ordinance shall be in
12 effect for a period of one year from the effective date of this ordinance and shall automatically
13 expire after the one-year period unless the same is extended as provided by statute, or unless
14 terminated sooner by the City Council.

15 Section 3. Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.390, the Council will hold a public hearing prior to
16 adoption or within 60 days of adoption of this interim zoning legislation to take public testimony
17 and to consider adopting further findings.

18 Section 4. Under RCW 36.70A.390, the Council approves the following work plan for
19 the development of permanent regulations to address the issues in this ordinance and directs the
20 Office of Planning and Community Development to transmit proposed legislation. The Council
21 intends to consider the permanent legislation and to adopt the Seattle Comprehensive Plan under
22 the following schedule:
23

Mayor Transmits Legislation to Council	Anticipated May 2025
Council Deliberations and Public Hearing on Proposed Comprehensive Plan and Permanent Controls	Anticipated June through September 2025
Comprehensive Plan and Permanent Controls Effective	Anticipated October 2025

The Council intends to consider the issues included in Attachment 1 during its deliberations on the permanent legislation.

Section 5. Based on the authority of RCW 36.70A.390 and the findings in Section 1 of this ordinance, Section 23.76.062 of the Seattle Municipal Code is waived for the adoption of this ordinance.

Section 6. Based on the findings of fact set forth in Section 1 of this ordinance, the City Council may renew these interim regulations for one or more six-month periods in accordance with RCW 36.70A.390.

Section 7. [Reserved]

Section 8. [Reserved]

Section 9. Section 23.34.011 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126509, is amended as follows:

23.34.011 NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, function, and locational criteria

A. Function. An area that provides ~~((predominantly detached single-family structures on lot sizes compatible with the existing pattern of development and the character of neighborhood residential areas))~~ for the development of detached, attached, and stacked dwelling units within a predominately three-story height limit.

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Section 10. Section 23.44.006 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126858, is amended as follows:

23.44.006 Principal uses permitted outright

The following principal uses are permitted outright in neighborhood residential zones:

A. Single-family dwelling unit;

B. (~~In RSL zones, apartments~~) Apartments, carriage houses, cottage housing development, rowhouse development, and townhouse developments;

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Section 11. Section 23.44.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126685, is amended as follows:

23.44.010 Minimum lot area and lot coverage

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C. (~~Maximum lot coverage 1.~~) Maximum lot coverage

1. The maximum lot coverage permitted for principal and accessory structures ((
is as provided in Table B for 23.44.010)) on a lot with two or more principal and detached
accessory dwelling units is 50 percent.

2. The maximum lot coverage permitted for structures on a lot with no more than
one principal dwelling unit and no detached accessory dwelling units is as follows:

a. On a lot greater than or equal to 5,000 square feet, the maximum
permitted lot coverage is 35 percent; and

b. On a lot less than 5,000 square feet, the maximum permitted lot
coverage is 1,000 square feet plus 15 percent of lot area, provided that lot coverage cannot
exceed 50 percent.

**((Table B for 23.44.010
Maximum lot coverage**

Zone	Lot size	Maximum lot coverage
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NR1, NR2, and NR3	Less than 5,000 square feet	1,000 square feet plus 15 percent of lot area
	5,000 square feet or more	35 percent of lot area
RSL	All lots	50 percent of lot area

~~2. For purposes of computing maximum lot coverage, only those portions of a lot that measure at least 10 feet in all directions shall be included in lot coverage calculations, except for portions of a lot that are used for access or that are granted a waiver under subsections 23.22.100.D, 23.24.040.B, or 23.28.030.A.4 for the purpose of providing access.))~~

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Section 12. Section 23.44.011 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126685, is amended as follows:

23.44.011 Floor area in neighborhood residential zones

A. Gross floor area. In neighborhood residential zones, gross floor area includes exterior corridors, breezeways, and stairways that provide building circulation and access to dwelling units or sleeping rooms. Balconies, patios, and decks that are associated with a single dwelling unit or sleeping room and that are not used for common circulation, and ground-level walking paths, are not considered gross floor area.

B. Floor area ratio (FAR) limits.

~~((1. The FAR limit on lots developed with a single family dwelling unit as the principal use in NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, is 0.5, except that lots with less than 5,000 square feet of lot area can include up to 2,500 square feet of total chargeable floor area. The applicable FAR limit applies to the total chargeable floor area of all structures on the lot.~~

~~2. The FAR limit in RSL zones is 0.75. The applicable FAR limit applies to the total chargeable floor area of all structures on the lot.))~~ The FAR limit in neighborhood

residential zones for lots with residential uses is as shown in Table A for 23.44.011, except that in NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, lots with less than 5,000 square feet of lot area can include up to 2,500 square feet of total chargeable floor area or the amount of total chargeable floor area allowed by the FAR limit shown in Table A for 23.44.011, whichever is greater. The applicable FAR limit applies to the total chargeable floor area of all structures on the lot.

<u>Table A for 23.44.011</u>	
<u>Floor area ratio (FAR) in neighborhood residential zones</u>	
<u>Density (dwelling units per lot size)</u>	<u>FAR</u>
<u>Less dense than 1 unit / 4,000 square feet</u>	<u>0.6 in NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones</u> <u>0.75 in RSL zones</u>
<u>1 unit / 4,000 square feet to 1 unit / 2,201 square feet</u>	<u>0.8</u>
<u>1 unit / 2,200 square feet to 1 unit / 1,601 square feet</u>	<u>1.0</u>
<u>1 unit / 1,600 square feet or denser</u>	<u>1.2</u>

C. The following floor area is exempt from FAR limits:

1. All stories, or portions of stories, that are underground.
2. All portions of a story that extend no more than 4 feet above existing or finished grade, whichever is lower, excluding access.
- ~~((3. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones:~~
 - ~~a. Any floor area contained in an accessory dwelling unit;~~
 - ~~b. Either up to 500 additional square feet of floor area in any accessory structure that is not a detached accessory dwelling unit, or up to 250 square feet of floor area in an attached garage.))~~
3. Common walls separating individual attached dwelling units.
4. In RSL zones, 50 percent of the chargeable floor area contained in structures built prior to January 1, 1982, as single-family dwelling units that will remain in residential use, regardless of the number of dwelling units within the existing structure, provided the exemption is limited to the gross square footage in the single-family dwelling unit as of January 1, 1982.

1 ~~((D. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, additions to a single family dwelling unit existing on~~
2 ~~the effective date of the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 119544 may exceed the FAR limit~~
3 ~~in subsection 23.44.011.B.1 if the addition adds floor area equal to or less than 20 percent of the~~
4 ~~floor area that existed on the effective date of the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 119544.~~
5 ~~Only one addition to any single family dwelling unit may be exempted under this subsection~~
6 ~~23.44.011.D.))~~

7 Section 13. Section 23.44.012 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
8 126600, is amended as follows:

9 **23.44.012 Height limits**

10 A. Maximum height established. The provisions of this Section 23.44.012 apply in
11 neighborhood residential zones, except as provided elsewhere in the Land Use Code for specific
12 types of structures or structures in particular locations.

13 ~~((1. Except as provided in subsections 23.44.012.A.2 and 23.44.012.A.3, the))~~
14 The maximum permitted height for any structure not located in a required yard is ~~((30))~~ 32 feet.

15 ~~((2. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, the maximum permitted height for any~~
16 ~~structure on a lot 30 feet or less in width is 25 feet.~~

17 ~~3. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, for a lot or unit lot of any width, if the area of~~
18 ~~the largest rectangle or other quadrilateral that can be drawn within the lot lines of the lot or unit~~
19 ~~lot is less than 3,200 square feet the maximum permitted height for any structure on that lot shall~~
20 ~~be 18 feet. Additional height shall be allowed, subject to the limit that would otherwise apply~~
21 ~~under subsections 23.44.012.A.1 and 23.44.012.A.2, provided that the elevation at the top of the~~
22 ~~exterior walls of the structure, exclusive of pitched roofs, does not exceed the average of the~~
23 ~~elevations at the tops of the walls of single family residences on abutting lots within the same~~

zone. The limit of this subsection 23.44.012.A.3 shall not apply to additions to single family residences existing as of February 1, 2013, that do not exceed the greater of 1,000 square feet of new gross floor area or the amount of gross floor area on any one floor of the existing house.))

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Section 14. Section 23.44.014 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120949, is amended as follows:

23.44.014 Yards

A. General

1. Yards are required for every lot in a neighborhood residential zone.
2. In the case of a through lot, each yard abutting a street, except a side yard, shall be a front yard. Rear yard provisions shall not apply to the through lot, except pursuant to Section 23.40.030 or 23.40.035.
3. Setbacks from a street or alley may be required in order to meet the provisions of Section 23.53.015.
4. Setbacks from access easements may also be required for principal structures according to the standards in ((subsections 23.53.025.C.2 and 23.53.025.D.6)) subsection 23.53.025.C.6.

B. Required yards for neighborhood residential zones are shown in Table A for 23.44.014.

((Table A for 23.44.014 Required yards in neighborhood residential zones		
Yard	NR1, NR2, and NR3	RSL
Front	20 feet or the average of the front yards of the single family structures on either side, whichever is less ¹	10 feet

Rear	25 feet or 20 percent of lot depth, whichever is less, except that it may never be less than 10 feet ²	10 feet except that, if the rear yard abuts an alley, there is no rear yard requirement
Side	5 feet ^{3, 4, 5}	5 feet ⁵

Footnotes to Table A for 23.44.014

¹—If the natural gradient or slope (as measured from the front line of the lot for a distance of 60 feet or the full depth of the lot, whichever is less) is in excess of 35 percent, the required front yard depth shall be the lesser of: 20 feet less 1 foot for each one percent of gradient or slope in excess of 35 percent; or the average of the front yards on either side.

²—If the rear lot line abuts an alley, the centerline of the alley between the side lot lines extended shall be assumed to be the rear lot line for purposes of the provision of rear yard and the determination of lot depth; provided, that at no point shall the principal structure be closer than 5 feet to the alley.

³—In the case of a reversed corner lot, the key lot of which is in a neighborhood residential zone, the width of the side yard on the street side of the reversed corner lot shall not be less than 10 feet.

⁴—If any side street lot line is a continuation of the front lot line of an abutting neighborhood residential zoned lot, whether or not separated by an alley, the width of the street side yard shall not be less than 10 feet.

⁵—No side yard is required from a side lot line that abuts an alley.))

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Table A for 23.44.014
Required yards in neighborhood residential zones

Front	<u>Lots with one or two dwelling units: 15 feet;¹</u> <u>Lots with three or more dwelling units: 10 feet ¹</u>
Rear	<u>Lots not abutting an alley with one or two dwelling units: 15 feet</u> <u>Lots not abutting an alley with three or more dwelling units: 10 feet</u> <u>Lots abutting an alley: no rear yard is required</u>
Side	<u>5 feet</u>

Footnote for Table A for 23.44.090

¹For lots abutting landmarked public right of way on Queen Anne Boulevard, front yards shall be 20 feet or the average of the front yards of the structures on abutting lots, whichever is less, except that if the natural gradient or slope (as measured from the front line of the lot for a distance of 60 feet or the full depth of the lot, whichever is less) is in excess of 35 percent, the required front yard depth shall be the lesser of: 20 feet less 1 foot for each one percent of gradient or slope in excess of 35 percent; or the average of the front yards on the abutting lots.

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Section 15. Section 23.44.016 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120949, is amended as follows:

23.44.016 Parking and garages

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D. Parking and garages in required yards. Parking and garages are regulated as described in this subsection 23.44.016.D. Unless otherwise specified, the terms "garage" or "garages" as used in this subsection 23.44.016.D refer to both attached and detached garages.

1. Parking and garages shall not be located (~~((in the required front yard))~~) within 20 feet of a front lot line except as provided in subsections 23.44.016.D.6, 23.44.016.D.8, 23.44.016.D.9, 23.44.016.D.10, and 23.44.016.D.11.

2. Parking and garages shall not be located in a required side yard abutting a street or the first 10 feet of a required rear yard abutting a street except as provided in subsections 23.44.016.D.6, 23.44.016.D.8, 23.44.016.D.9, 23.44.016.D.10, and 23.44.016.D.11.

3. Garages shall not be located in a required side yard that abuts the rear or side yard of another lot or in that portion of the rear yard of a reversed corner lot within 5 feet of the key lot's side lot line unless:

a. The garage is a detached garage and extends only into that portion of a side yard that is either within 35 feet of the centerline of an alley or within 25 feet of any rear lot line that is not an alley lot line; or

b. An agreement between the owners of record of the abutting properties, authorizing the garage in that location, is executed and recorded, pursuant to subsection 23.44.014.C.2.a.

1 4. Garages with vehicular access facing an alley, shall not be located within 12
2 feet of the centerline of any alley, nor within 12 feet of any rear lot line that is not an alley lot
3 line, except as provided in subsections 23.44.016.D.8, 23.44.016.D.9, 23.44.016.D.10, and
4 23.44.016.D.11, or the Director may waive or modify this standard as a Type I decision provided
5 the applicant can demonstrate that adequate turning and maneuvering areas can be provided.

6 5. On a reversed corner lot, no garage shall be located in that portion of the
7 required rear yard that abuts the required front yard of the adjoining key lot unless the provisions
8 of subsection 23.44.016.D.8 apply.

9 6. If access to required parking passes through a required yard, automobiles,
10 motorcycles, and similar vehicles may be parked on the open access located in a required yard.

11 7. Trailers, boats, recreational vehicles, and similar equipment shall not be parked
12 in required front and side yards or the first 10 feet of a rear yard measured from the rear lot line,
13 or measured 10 feet from the centerline of an alley if there is an alley adjacent to the rear lot line,
14 unless fully enclosed in a structure otherwise allowed in a required yard by this subsection
15 23.44.016.D.

16 8. Lots with uphill yards abutting streets. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, parking
17 for one two-axle or one up to four-wheeled vehicle may be established in a required yard
18 abutting a street according to subsection 23.44.016.D.8.a or 23.44.016.D.8.b only if access to
19 parking is permitted through that yard pursuant to subsection 23.44.016.B.

20 a. Open parking space

21 1) The existing grade of the lot slopes upward from the street lot
22 line an average of at least 6 feet above sidewalk grade at a line that is 10 feet from the street lot
23 line; and

2) The parking area shall be at least an average of 6 feet below the existing grade prior to excavation and/or construction at a line that is 10 feet from the street lot line; and

3) The parking space shall be no wider than 10 feet for one parking space at the parking surface and no wider than 20 feet for two parking spaces if permitted as provided in subsection 23.44.016.D.11.

b. Terraced garage

1) The height of a terraced garage is limited to no more than 2 feet above existing or finished grade, whichever is lower, for the portions of the garage that are 10 feet or more from the street lot line. The ridge of a pitched roof on a terraced garage may extend up to 3 feet above this 2-foot height limit. All parts of the roof above the 2-foot height limit shall be pitched at a rate of not less than 4:12. No portion of a shed roof shall be permitted to extend beyond the 2-foot height limit of this provision. Portions of a terraced garage that are less than 10 feet from the street lot line shall comply with the height standards in subsection 23.44.016.E.2;

2) The width of a terraced garage structure shall not exceed 14 feet for one two-axle or one up to four-wheeled vehicle, or 24 feet if permitted to have two two-axle or two up to four-wheeled vehicles as provided in subsection 23.44.016.D.11;

3) All above ground portions of the terraced garage shall be included in lot coverage; and

4) The roof of the terraced garage may be used as a deck and shall be considered to be a part of the garage structure even if it is a separate structure on top of the garage.

1 9. Lots with downhill yards abutting streets. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones,
2 parking, either open or enclosed in an attached or detached garage, for one two-axle or one up to
3 four-wheeled vehicle may be located in a required yard abutting a street if the following
4 conditions are met:

5 a. The existing grade slopes downward from the street lot line that the
6 parking faces;

7 b. For front yard parking, the lot has a vertical drop of at least 20 feet in
8 the first 60 feet, measured along a line from the midpoint of the front lot line to the midpoint of
9 the rear lot line;

10 c. Parking is not permitted in required side yards abutting a street;

11 d. Parking in a rear yard complies with subsections 23.44.016.D.2,
12 23.44.016.D.4, and 23.44.016.D.5; and

13 e. Access to parking is permitted through the required yard abutting the
14 street by subsection 23.44.016.B.

15 10. Through lots. On through lots less than 125 feet in depth in NR1, NR2, and
16 NR3 zones, parking, either open or enclosed in an attached or detached garage, for one two-axle
17 or one up to four-wheeled vehicle may be located in one of the required front yards. The front
18 yard in which the parking may be located shall be determined by the Director based on the
19 location of other garages or parking areas on the block. If no pattern of parking location can be
20 determined, the Director shall determine in which yard the parking shall be located based on the
21 prevailing character and setback patterns of the block.

22 11. Lots with uphill yards abutting streets or downhill or through lot front yards
23 fronting on streets that prohibit parking. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, parking for two two-axle

1 or two up to four-wheeled vehicles may be located in uphill yards abutting streets or downhill or
2 through lot front yards as provided in subsections 23.44.016.D.8, 23.44.016.D.9, or
3 23.44.016.D.10 if, in consultation with the Seattle Department of Transportation, it is found that
4 uninterrupted parking for 24 hours is prohibited on at least one side of the street within 200 feet
5 of the lot line over which access is proposed. The Director may authorize a curb cut wider than
6 would be permitted under Section 23.54.030 if necessary, for access.

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8 Section 16. Section 23.44.017 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by the
9 ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120949, is amended as follows:

10 **23.44.017 Density limits**

11 A. On lots in existence as of June 30, 2025, in ~~((the))~~ NR1, NR2, ~~((and))~~ NR3, and RSL
12 zones, the following density limits apply, except as otherwise provided in subsections
13 23.44.017.B, 23.44.017.C and 23.44.017.D. For the purposes of this Section 23.44.017,
14 “dwelling unit” includes both principal and accessory units.

15 1. Up to four dwelling units are permitted per lot.

16 2. Up to six dwelling units are permitted per lot within one-quarter mile walking
17 distance of a major transit stop.

18 3. Up to six dwelling units are permitted per lot located more than one-quarter mile
19 walking distance away from a major transit stop, provided that at least two affordable principal
20 dwelling units are provided, and the following requirements are met:

21 ~~((only one single family dwelling unit is allowed per lot, except that accessory dwelling~~
22 ~~units may also be approved pursuant to Section 23.42.022, and except as approved as part of an~~
23 ~~administrative conditional use permit under Section 25.09.260, a clustered housing planned~~

~~development under Section 23.44.024, or a planned residential development under Section 23.44.034.~~

~~B. The following provisions apply in RSL zones:~~

~~1. The minimum lot area per principal dwelling unit is 2,000 square feet.~~

~~2. Except as provided in subsection 23.44.017.B.3, when calculation of the number of principal dwelling units allowed according to subsection 23.44.017.B.1 results in a fraction of a unit, any fraction up to and including 0.85 constitutes zero additional principal dwelling units, and any fraction over 0.85 constitutes one additional principal dwelling unit.~~

~~3. For lots in existence on April 19, 2019, if the number of principal dwelling units allowed according to subsection 23.44.017.B.1 equals less than two, two units are allowed.~~

~~4. Accessory dwelling units are allowed pursuant to Section 23.42.022.))~~

~~a. A regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument, recorded on the title of the property and enforceable by the City of Seattle, ensures affordability for income-eligible households for 50 years in at least two principal dwelling units as follows:~~

~~1) For rental housing, restricted units serving households with incomes no higher than 60 percent of median income at initial occupancy and with rents not exceeding 30 percent of 60 percent of median income; or~~

~~2) For ownership housing, restricted units sold to households with incomes no higher than 80 percent of median income at prices (initial sale and resale) that allow modest growth in homeowner equity while maintaining long-term affordability for income-eligible buyers, as determined by the Director of Housing;~~

1 b. The low-income units must be generally distributed throughout the
2 development and have substantially the same functionality as unrestricted units in the
3 development;

4 c. To the extent practicable, the low-income units must be comparable to
5 the unrestricted units in terms of square footage and number of bedrooms and bathrooms;

6 d. Tenure (i.e., rental or ownership) of low-income units and unrestricted
7 units must be the same;

8 e. The regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument must
9 contain criteria and policies to maintain public benefit if the property is demolished or converted
10 to a non-residential use;

11 f. For ownership developments, the low-income units must be stewarded
12 by a qualified non-profit organization including:

13 1). Pre-purchase verification of income and other requirements for
14 eligible households, affordable sale price calculations for approval by the Office of Housing, and
15 execution of legal restrictions on the property; and

16 2). Post-purchase support for homeowners by facilitating resales,
17 monitoring compliance with financial, owner occupancy, and other legal requirements, and clear
18 communication of program guidelines and restrictions;

19 g. For purposes of this subsection 23.44.017.A.3, qualified non-profit
20 organization means a non-profit organization that the Office of Housing determines as
21 experienced in the development and stewardship of permanently affordable homes;

22 h. At such times as may be required by the Director of Housing but no less
23 than annually, the property owner for rental housing or the qualified non-profit organization for

1 ownership housing must file property reports with the Office of Housing, verified upon oath or
2 affirmation, which shall contain such information as the Office of Housing may deem necessary
3 to determine compliance with this subsection 23.44.017.A.3 and the regulatory agreement,
4 covenant, or legal instrument according to subsection 23.44.017.A.3.a; and

5 i. In RSL zones that have a mandatory housing affordability suffix, the
6 dwelling units for which the regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument required
7 by subsection 23.44.017.A.3.a ensures affordability as required by that subsection shall be
8 counted towards any obligation to provide MHA-R units according to subsection 23.58C.050.A.

9 B. The following provisions apply in RSL zones:

10 1. The minimum lot area per principal dwelling unit is 2,000 square feet.

11 2. The number of dwelling units allowed on a lot existing as of June 30, 2025, is
12 the greater of the number dwelling units allowed by subsection 23.44.017.A or subsection
13 23.44.017.B.1.

14 3. Accessory dwelling units are allowed pursuant to Section 23.42.022.

15 C. For lots, other than unit lots, created after June 30, 2025, the following provisions
16 apply:

17 1. In NR1, NR2, and NR3 zones, only one single-family dwelling unit is
18 allowed per lot.

19 2. In RSL zones, the minimum lot area per principal dwelling unit is 2,000
20 square feet.

21 3. Accessory dwelling units are allowed pursuant to Section 23.42.022.

22 D. Lot density exceptions for lots that contain any riparian corridors; wetlands and their
23 buffers; submerged lands and areas within the shoreline setback; or designated non-disturbance

1 area in steep slopes. For lots that contain any riparian corridors, wetlands and their buffers,
2 submerged lands and areas within the shoreline setback, or designated non-disturbance area in
3 steep slopes, applicants may choose to develop the lot with the number of dwelling units
4 provided in the density limits in subsections 23.44.017.A and 23.44.017.B or with the number of
5 principal and accessory dwelling units calculated as follows:

6 1. Determine the number of units that would be allowed under subsection
7 23.44.017.A if no environmentally critical areas were located on the lot;

8 2. Determine the percentage of the lot that is not covered by riparian corridors,
9 wetlands and their buffers, submerged lands and areas within the shoreline setback, or designated
10 non-disturbance area in steep slopes; and

11 3. Calculate the number of dwelling units by multiplying the number of dwelling
12 units determined in subsection 23.44.017.D.1 by the percentage of the lot calculated in
13 subsection 23.44.017.D.2.

14 E. For the purpose of this Section 23.44.017, “designated non-disturbance area” in steep
15 slopes shall include all portions of steep slope hazard areas except the following:

16 1. Areas that are granted relief from the prohibition of development according to
17 Section 25.09.090;

18 2. Areas where development is allowed under a small project waiver according to
19 Section 25.09.090;

20 3. Areas where development is allowed under an administrative conditional use
21 according to Section 25.09.260; and

22 4. Areas where intrusion into the steep slope erosion hazard area and buffer is
23 allowed by steep slope erosion hazard area variance according to Section 25.09.290.

F. Measurement of minimum lot size and maximum density

1. When calculation of the number of dwelling units allowed results in a fraction of a unit, any fraction over 0.85 constitutes one additional unit.

2. Congregate residence sleeping rooms shall be treated as one-fourth of a dwelling unit for purposes of calculating density.

3. In the case of a development within a unit lot subdivision, the density limit shall be applied to the parent lot as a whole.

4. If dedication of right-of-way is required, permitted density shall be calculated before the dedication is made.

Section 17. Section 23.44.044 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 124378, is amended as follows:

23.44.044 Swimming pools

Private, permanent swimming pools, hot tubs and other similar uses are permitted as accessory uses to a ~~((single-family))~~ residential structure subject to the following specific development standards:

A. Private, permanent swimming pools, hot tubs and other similar uses over 18 inches above existing grade are subject to the development standards for accessory uses.

B. Private, permanent swimming pools, hot tubs and other similar uses projecting not more than 18 inches above existing grade shall not be counted in lot coverage.

C. Private, permanent swimming pools, hot tubs and other similar uses may be placed in a required front or rear yard, provided that:

1. No part of the structure shall project more than 18 inches above existing lot grade in a required front yard; and

2. No part of the structure shall be placed closer than 5 feet to any front or side lot line.

Section 18. Section 23.45.512 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120949, is amended as follows:

23.45.512 Density limits and ~~((family-size unit requirements))~~ minimum lot size —LR zones

A. ~~((Density limits))~~ There is no density limit for residential development in LR zones, except that in LR1 zones for rowhouse development on interior lots, all townhouse development, and all single-family dwelling units, and for all residential development in all LR zones that do not have a mandatory housing affordability suffix, the number of dwelling units allowed on a lot is the greater of the number of dwelling units allowed under subsections 23.45.512.B or 23.45.512.C.

~~1. Except according to subsection 23.45.512.A.4, the following developments must meet the density limits described in this subsection 23.45.512.A:~~

~~a. In LR1 zones, rowhouse development on interior lots and all townhouse development; and~~

~~b. All development in Lowrise zones that do not have a mandatory housing affordability suffix.~~

B. Rowhouse development on interior lots, all townhouse development and all single-family dwelling units in LR1 zones, and all residential development in LR zones that do not have a mandatory housing affordability suffix shall not exceed a density of one principal dwelling unit per 1,150 square feet of lot area; ~~except((, except that apartments in LR3 zones that do not have a mandatory housing affordability suffix shall not exceed a density limit of one principal dwelling unit per 800 square feet.~~

~~3. When density calculations result in a fraction of a unit, any fraction up to and including 0.85 constitutes zero additional units, and any fraction over 0.85 constitutes one additional principal dwelling unit.~~

~~4. Low))~~ low-income housing shall have a maximum density of one principal dwelling unit per 400 square feet of lot area.

~~((B. Family-sized unit requirements in LR1 zones~~

~~1. Apartment developments in LR1 zones with four or more principal dwelling units shall provide at least one unit with two or more bedrooms and a minimum net unit area of 850 square feet for every four principal dwelling units in the structure.~~

~~2. One unit with three or more bedrooms and a minimum net unit area of 1,050 square feet may be provided in place of any two principal dwelling units required to include two bedrooms and a minimum net unit area of 850 square feet.))~~

C. Alternative Density Limits. Rowhouse development on interior lots, all townhouse development and all single-family dwelling units in LR1 zones and all residential development in LR zones that do not have a mandatory housing affordability suffix may include the number of dwelling units permitted under subsection 23.45.512.C.1 or 23.45.512.C.2, as applicable. For the purposes of this subsection 23.45.512.C, dwelling units include both principal and accessory dwelling units.

1. Permitted densities. The following density limits apply on lots that do not contain any riparian corridors, any wetlands or their buffers, any submerged lands or areas within the shoreline setback, or designated non-disturbance area in steep slopes:

a. Up to four dwelling units are permitted on lots existing as of June 30, 2025.

1 b. Up to six dwelling units are permitted on all lots existing as of June 30,
2 2025 that are located within one-quarter mile walking distance of a major transit stop.

3 c. Up to six dwelling units are allowed on a lot existing as of June 30,
4 2025 provided that:

5 ~~((Nursing homes, congregate housing, assisted living facilities, and accessory~~
6 ~~dwelling units that meet the standards of Section 23.42.022 are exempt from the density limit~~
7 ~~set in subsection 23.45.512.A and the requirements in subsection 23.45.512.B.~~

8 ~~D. Dwelling unit(s) located in structures built prior to January 1, 1982, as single family~~
9 ~~dwelling units that will remain in residential use are exempt from density limits.~~

10 ~~E. If dedication of right of way is required, permitted density shall be calculated before~~
11 ~~the dedication is made.))~~

12 1). A regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument,
13 recorded on the title of the property and enforceable by The City of Seattle, ensures affordability
14 for income-eligible households for 50 years in at least two principal dwelling units as follows:

15 a) For rental housing, restricted units serving households
16 with incomes no higher than 60 percent of median income at initial occupancy and with rents not
17 exceeding 30 percent of 60 percent of median income; or

18 b) For ownership housing, restricted units sold to
19 households with incomes no higher than 80 percent of median income at prices (initial sale and
20 resale) that allow modest growth in homeowner equity while maintaining long-term affordability
21 for income-eligible buyers, all as determined by the Director of Housing;

2) The low-income units must be generally distributed throughout the development and have substantially the same functionality as unrestricted units in the development;

3) To the extent practicable, the low-income units must be comparable to unrestricted units in terms of square footage and number of bedrooms and bathrooms;

4) Tenure (i.e., rental or ownership) of low-income units and unrestricted units must be the same;

5) The regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument
must contain criteria and policies to maintain public benefit if the property is demolished or
converted to a non-residential use;

6) For ownership developments, the low-income units must be stewarded by a qualified non-profit organization including:

a) Pre-purchase verification of income and other requirements for eligible households, affordable sale price calculations for approval by the Office of Housing, and execution of legal restrictions on the property; and

b) Post-purchase support for homeowners by facilitating resales, monitoring compliance with financial, owner occupancy, and other legal requirements, and clear communication of program guidelines and restrictions;

7) For purposes of this subsection 23.45.512.C.5, qualified non-profit organization means a non-profit organization that the Office of Housing determines as experienced in the development and stewardship of permanently affordable homes;

1 8) At such times as may be required by the Director of Housing but
2 no less than annually, the property owner for rental housing or the qualified non-profit
3 organization for ownership housing must file property reports with the Office of Housing,
4 verified upon oath or affirmation, which shall contain such information as the Office of Housing
5 may deem necessary to determine compliance with this subsection 23.45.512.C.1.c and the
6 regulatory agreement, covenant, or legal instrument according to subsection 23.45.512.C.1.c.1;
7 and

8 9) In zones that have a mandatory housing affordability suffix, the
9 dwelling units for which the regulatory agreement, covenant, or other legal instrument required
10 by subsection 23.45.512.C.1.c.1 ensures affordability as required by that subsection shall be
11 counted towards any obligation to provide MHA-R units according to subsection 23.58C.050.A.

12 2. For lots that contain any riparian corridors, wetlands and their buffers,
13 submerged lands and areas within the shoreline setback, or designated non-disturbance area in
14 steep slopes, applicants may choose the density limits in subsection 23.45.512.B or develop the
15 lot with the number of principal and accessory dwelling units as follows:

16 a. Determine the number of dwelling units that would be allowed under
17 subsection 23.45.512.C.1 if no environmentally critical areas were located on the lot;

18 b. Determine the percentage of the lot that is not covered by riparian
19 corridors, wetlands and their buffers, submerged lands and areas within the shoreline setback, or
20 designated non-disturbance area in steep slopes;

21 c. Calculate the number of permitted dwelling units by multiplying the
22 number of units determined in subsection 23.45.512.C.2.a by the percentage of the lot calculated
23 in subsection 23.45.512.C.2.b.

1 ~~((F.))~~ D. Adding units to existing structures

2 1. One additional principal dwelling unit may be added to an existing residential
3 structure regardless of the density restrictions in subsection 23.45.512.B or 23.45.512.C ~~((and~~
4 ~~the requirements in subsection 23.45.512.B))~~. An additional principal dwelling unit is allowed
5 only if the proposed additional unit is to be located entirely within an existing structure, and no
6 additional floor area to accommodate the new unit is proposed to be added to the existing
7 structure.

8 2. For the purposes of this subsection ~~((23.45.512.F))~~ 23.45.512.D, "existing
9 residential structures" are those that were established under permit as of October 31, 2001, or
10 for which a permit has been granted and the permit has not expired as of October 31, 2001.

11 E. Measurement of minimum lot size and maximum density

12 1. When density calculations result in a fraction of a unit, any fraction up to and
13 including 0.85 constitutes zero additional units, and any fraction over 0.85 constitutes one
14 additional unit.

15 2. If dedication of right-of-way is required, permitted density shall be calculated
16 before the dedication is made.

17 3. In the case of a development within a unit lot subdivision, the density limit
18 shall be applied to the parent lot as a whole.

19 4. When calculating maximum density, the number of dwelling units shall
20 include accessory dwelling units and principal dwelling units.

21 F. For the purpose of this Section 23.45.512, "designated non-disturbance area in steep
22 slopes" shall include all portions of steep slope hazard areas except the following:

1 1. Areas that are granted relief from the prohibition of development according to
2 Section 25.09.090;

3 2. Areas where development is allowed under a small project waiver according to
4 Section 25.09.090;

5 3. Areas where development is allowed under an administrative conditional use
6 according to Section 25.09.260; and

7 4. Areas where intrusion into the steep slope erosion hazard area and buffer is
8 allowed by steep slope erosion hazard area variance according to Section 25.09.290.

9 G. Exception to Density Limits. Dwelling unit(s) located in structures built prior to
10 January 1, 1982 that will remain in residential use are exempt from the density limit described in
11 subsections 23.45.512.B and 23.45.512.C.

12 H. The minimum lot size for lots created through a subdivision process is the lot size
13 necessary to allow a density of one principal dwelling unit.

14 Section 19. Section 23.45.514 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by the
15 ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120949, is amended as follows:

16 **23.45.514 Structure height**

17 A. Subject to the additions and exceptions allowed as set forth in this Section 23.45.514,
18 the height limits for structures in LR zones are as shown on Table A for 23.45.514.

Table A for 23.45.514
Structure height for LR zones (in feet)

Housing type	LR1	LR2	LR3 outside urban centers, urban villages, and Station Area Overlay Districts	LR3 in urban centers, urban villages, and Station Area Overlay Districts
Cottage housing developments	22	22	22	22
Rowhouse and townhouse developments	((30)) <u>32</u>	40 ¹	40 ¹	50 ¹
Apartments	((30)) <u>32</u>	40 ¹	40 ¹	50 ²

Footnotes for Table A for 23.45.514

¹ Except that the height limit is ~~((30))~~ 32 feet in zones without a mandatory housing affordability suffix.

² Except that the height limit is 40 feet in zones without a mandatory housing affordability suffix.

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Section 20. Section 23.45.518 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126685, is amended as follows:

23.45.518 Setbacks (~~(and separations)~~)

A. LR zones

1. Required setbacks for the LR zones are as shown in Table A for 23.45.518 and subsection 23.45.518.A.2.

**((Table A for 23.45.518
Required setbacks in LR zones measured in feet**

All LR zones		Category of residential use		
Setback	Cottage housing developments and single-family dwelling units	Rowhouse developments	Townhouse developments	Apartments
Front	7 average; 5 minimum	5 minimum	7 average; 5 minimum	5 minimum
Rear	0 with alley; 7 if no alley	0 with alley; With no alley: 7 average; 5 minimum	7 average; 5 minimum	10 minimum with alley; 15 minimum if no alley
Side setback for facades 40 feet or less in length [†]	5	0 where abutting another rowhouse development ² ; otherwise 3.5; except that on side lot lines that abut a neighborhood residential zone, the setback is 5	5	5
Side setback for facades greater than 40 feet in length ³	5 minimum	0 where abutting another rowhouse development ² ; otherwise 3.5; except that on side lot lines that abut a neighborhood residential zone, the setback is 7 average; 5 minimum	7 average; 5 minimum	7 average; 5 minimum

Footnotes to Table A for 23.45.518

[†]—Additions to existing nonconforming structures built prior to April 11, 2011, shall be set back a sufficient distance so that the addition complies with setback standards. For any portion of a structure built before April 11, 2011, the average setback applies only to a new addition

**~~((Table A for 23.45.518
Required setbacks in LR zones measured in feet~~**

All LR zones	Category of residential use
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~~built after that date. If an addition is to a side wall extended vertically, the existing side wall line may be continued by the addition, provided that the average setback of 7 feet or the 5 foot minimum setback is met.~~

~~² If the side facades of rowhouse developments on abutting lots are not joined, then a 3.5 foot setback is required, except the side setback may be reduced to zero if the abutting lot contains a rowhouse development and an easement is provided along the shared lot line of the abutting lot sufficient to leave a 3.5 foot separation between the principal structures of the abutting rowhouse developments.~~

~~³ Portions of structures that qualify for the FAR exemption in subsection 23.45.510.D.5 are not considered part of the facade length for the purposes of determining the side setback requirement.))~~

**Table A for 23.45.518
Required setbacks in LR zones**

<u>Front</u>	<u>7 feet average, 5 feet minimum</u>
<u>Rear</u>	<u>If rear lot line abuts an alley, 0 feet</u> <u>Otherwise, 7 feet average, 5 feet minimum</u>
<u>Side</u>	<u>5 feet</u>

2. Upper-level setbacks in LR2 and LR3 zones

a. An upper-level setback of 12 feet from the front lot line is required for

all portions of a structure above the following height:

1) Forty-four feet for zones with a height limit of 40 feet; and

2) Fifty-four feet for zones with a height limit of 50 feet.

b. An upper-level setback of 12 feet from each side or rear lot line that

abuts a lot zoned ~~((single-family))~~ neighborhood residential is required for all portions of the structure above 34 feet in height.

c. Projections allowed in subsection 23.45.518.H are allowed in upper-level setbacks.

d. Structures allowed in subsection 23.45.518.I are not allowed in upper-level setbacks.

e. Rooftop features are not allowed in upper-level setback except as follows:

1) A pitched roof, other than a shed roof or butterfly roof, is allowed in the upper-level setback if all parts of the roof are pitched at a rate of not less than 6:12 and not more than 12:12.

2) Open railings may extend up to 4 feet above the height at which the setback begins.

3) Parapets may extend up to 2 feet above the height at which the setback begins.

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F. Separations between multiple structures

1. In LR and MR zones, the minimum required separation between principal structures at any two points on different interior facades is 10 feet, except for cottage housing developments, and principal structures separated by a driveway or parking aisle.

2. In LR and MR zones, if principal structures are separated by a driveway or parking aisle, the minimum required separation between the principal structures is 2 feet greater than the required width of the driveway or parking aisle, provided that the separation is not required to be any greater than 24 feet. If principal structures are separated by a driveway

or parking aisle, projections that enclose floor area may extend a maximum of 3 feet into the required separation if they are at least 8 feet above finished grade.

~~((3. Cottage housing developments in LR and MR zones:~~

~~a. The minimum required separation between principal structures at any two points on different interior facades is 6 feet, unless there is a principal entrance on an interior facade, in which case the minimum separation required from that facade is 10 feet.~~

~~b. Facades of principal structures shall be separated from facades of accessory structures by a minimum of 3 feet.))~~

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J. Exceptions for existing ~~((single-family))~~ structures

1. In all multifamily zones, certain additions to a ~~((single-family dwelling unit))~~ residential structure may extend into a required side setback if the structure is already nonconforming with respect to that setback, and if the presently nonconforming section is at least 60 percent of the total width of the respective facade of the structure prior to the addition. The line formed by the nonconforming wall of the structure shall be the limit to which any additions may be built, which may extend up to the height limit and may include basement additions (Exhibit D for 23.45.518), provided that additions shall be at least 3 feet from the side lot line.

2. An existing single-family dwelling unit in a LR zone may be converted to a multifamily use without conforming to setback standards ~~((for apartments))~~ in subsection 23.45.518.A, provided that the building envelope is not changed. For the purposes of this subsection 23.45.518.J.2, "existing single-family dwelling unit" is one that was established

under permit as of October 31, 2001, or for which a permit has been granted and the permit has not expired on October 31, 2001.

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Section 21. Section 23.45.522 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126157, is amended as follows:

23.45.522 Amenity area

A. Amount of amenity area (~~((required for rowhouse and townhouse developments and apartments in LR zones))~~)

1. The required amount of amenity area (~~((for rowhouse and townhouse developments and apartments))~~) in LR zones is equal to 25 percent of the lot area.

~~((2. A minimum of 50 percent of the required amenity area shall be provided at ground level, except that amenity area provided on the roof of a structure that meets the provisions of subsection 23.45.510.D.5 may be counted as amenity area provided at ground level.~~

~~3. For rowhouse and townhouse developments, amenity area required at ground level may be provided as either private or common space.~~

~~4. For apartments, amenity area required at ground level shall be provided as common space.))~~

2. In LR zones, a minimum of 50 percent of the required amenity area shall be provided at ground level or within 4 feet of existing grade.

~~((B. Amenity area requirements for cottage housing developments in all multi-family zones~~

~~1. A minimum of 300 square feet of amenity area is required for each cottage.~~

~~2. A minimum of 150 square feet of amenity area is required for each carriage house.~~

~~3. The required quantity shall be allocated as follows:~~

~~a. Half of the amenity area required for each cottage, and all of the amenity area required for each carriage house, shall be provided as common amenity area; and~~

~~b. Half of the amenity area required for each cottage shall be provided as private amenity area for that unit.~~

~~4. The required common amenity area may be divided into no more than two separate areas and shall:~~

~~a. have cottages or carriage houses abutting on at least two sides;~~

~~b. be in a location central to the cottage housing development; and~~

~~c. have no horizontal dimension of less than 10 feet.~~

~~5. Carriage houses shall have stairs that provide access to the common amenity area.~~

~~C. Amount of amenity area required in MR and HR zones.)) The required amount of amenity area in MR and HR zones is equal to ((5)) five percent of the total gross floor area of a residential structure ((in residential use, except that cottage housing developments shall meet the standards in subsection 23.45.522.B.~~

~~D.)) B.~~ General requirements. Required amenity areas shall meet the following conditions:

1. All units shall have access to a common or private amenity area.

2. Enclosed amenity areas

a. In LR zones, an amenity area shall not be enclosed within a structure.

b. In MR and HR zones, ~~((except for cottage housing,))~~ no more than 50 percent of the amenity area may be enclosed, and this enclosed area shall be provided as common amenity area.

3. Projections into amenity areas. Structural projections that do not provide floor area, such as garden windows, may extend up to 2 feet into an amenity area if they are at least 8 feet above finished grade.

4. Private amenity areas

a. There is no minimum dimension for private amenity areas, except that if a private amenity area is located between the structure and a side lot line that is not a side street lot line, the minimum horizontal dimension shall be measured from the side lot line and is required to be a minimum of 10 feet.

b. An unenclosed porch that is a minimum of 60 square feet in size and that faces a street or a common amenity area may be counted as part of the private amenity area for the ~~((rowhouse, townhouse, or cottage))~~ residential structure to which it is attached.

5. Common amenity areas ~~((for rowhouse and townhouse developments and apartments))~~ shall meet the following conditions:

a. No common amenity area shall be less than 250 square feet in area, and common amenity areas shall have a minimum horizontal dimension of 10 feet.

b. Common amenity areas shall be improved as follows:

1) At least 50 percent of a common amenity area provided at ground level shall be landscaped with grass, ground cover, bushes, bioretention facilities, and/or trees.

2) Elements that enhance the usability and livability of the space for residents, such as seating, outdoor lighting, weather protection, art, or other similar features, shall be provided.

c. The common amenity area (~~required~~) at ground level (~~for apartments~~) shall be accessible to all (~~apartment~~) dwelling units.

6. Parking areas, vehicular access easements, and driveways do not qualify as amenity areas, except that a woonerf may provide a maximum of 50 percent of the amenity area if the design of the woonerf is approved through a design review process pursuant to Chapter 23.41.

7. Swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs may be counted toward meeting the amenity area requirement.

8. Rooftop areas excluded because they are near minor communication utilities and accessory communication devices, pursuant to subsection 23.57.011.C.1, do not qualify as amenity areas.

~~((E.))~~ C. No amenity area is required for ~~((a))~~ one dwelling unit added to a ~~((single-family dwelling unit))~~ residential structure existing as of January 1, 1982, ~~((or for one new dwelling unit added to a multifamily residential use existing as of October 10, 2001))~~ provided that no dwelling units have been added since that date.

Section 22. Section 23.45.527 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126509, is amended as follows:

23.45.527 Structure width and façade length limits in LR zones

A. Structure width in LR zones may not exceed ~~((the width indicated on Table A for 23.45.527))~~ 90 feet in LR1 and LR2 zones and 150 feet in LR3 zones.

~~((Table A for 23.45.527: Maximum Structure Width in LR zones in feet~~

Zone	Width in feet by Category of Residential Use		
	Cottage Housing and Rowhouse Developments	Townhouse Developments	Apartments
LR1	No limit	60	45
LR2	No limit	90	90
LR3 outside Urban Villages, Urban Centers or Station Area Overlay Districts	No limit	120	120
LR3 inside Urban Villages, Urban Centers or Station Area Overlay Districts	No limit	150	150))

B. Maximum façade length in Lowrise zones. ~~((1-))~~ The maximum combined length of all portions of façades within 15 feet of a lot line that is neither a rear lot line nor a street or alley lot line shall not exceed 65 percent of the length of that lot line ~~((, except as specified in subsection 23.45.527.B.2.~~

~~2. For a rowhouse development on a lot that abuts the side lot line of a lot in a neighborhood residential zone, the maximum combined length of all portions of façades within 15 feet of the abutting side lot line is 40 feet)).~~

Section 23. Section 23.45.529 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 127099, is amended as follows:

23.45.529 Design standards

A. Intent. The intent of the design standards in this Section 23.45.529 is to:

1 1. Enhance street-facing and side facades to provide visual interest, promote
2 new development that contributes to an attractive streetscape, and avoid the appearance of
3 blank walls along a street or adjacent residential property;

4 2. Foster a sense of community by integrating new pedestrian-oriented
5 multifamily development with the neighborhood street environment and promoting designs
6 that allow easy surveillance of the street by area residents;

7 3. Promote livability in multifamily areas by providing a sense of openness and
8 access to light and air; and

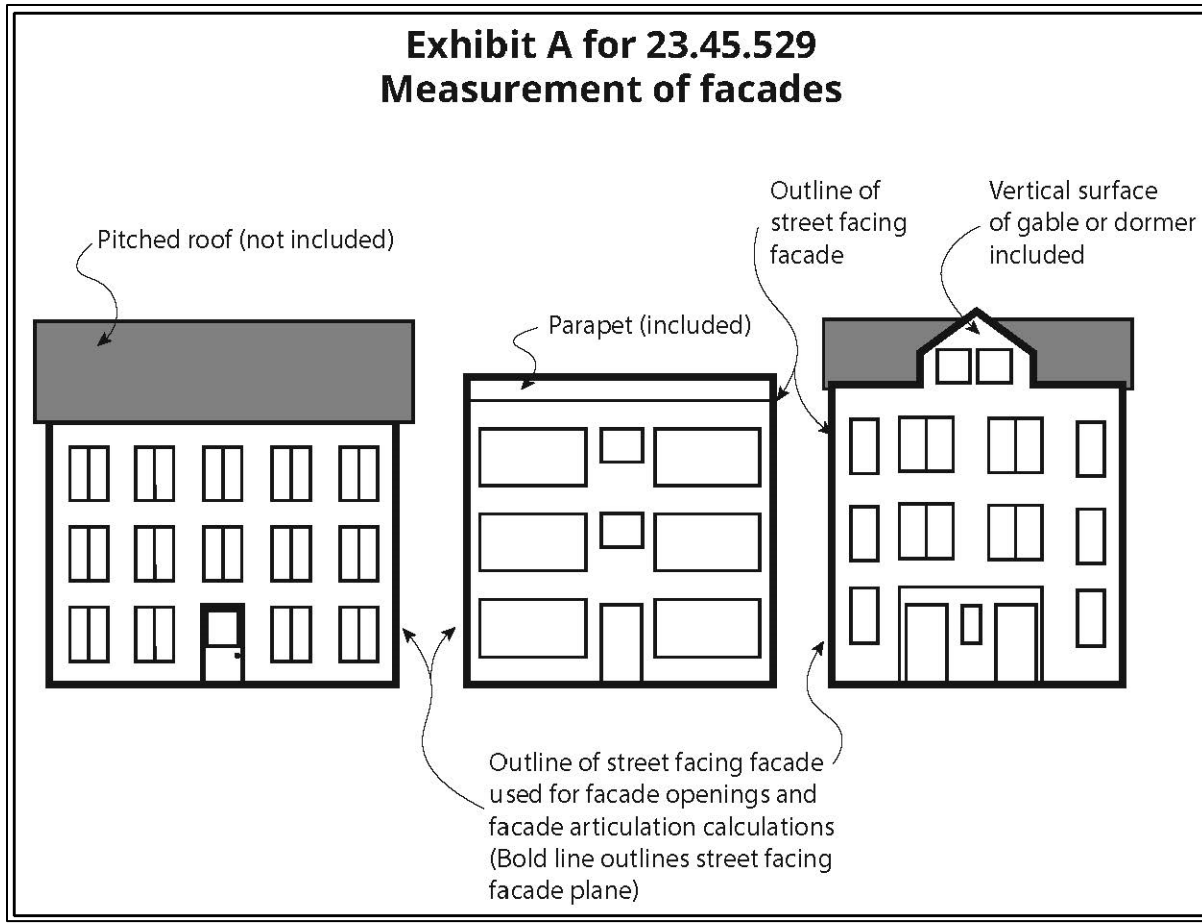
9 4. Encourage the compatibility of a variety of housing types with the scale and
10 character of neighborhoods where new multifamily development occurs.

11 B. Application of provisions. The provisions of this Section 23.45.529 apply to all
12 residential uses that do not undergo any type of design review pursuant to Chapter 23.41 ((;
13 ~~except single family dwelling units~~)).

14 C. Treatment of street-facing facades. For the purposes of this subsection 23.45.529.C,
15 a street-facing facade includes all vertical surfaces enclosing interior space, including gables
16 and dormers, as shown in Exhibit A for 23.45.529.

17 **Exhibit A for 23.45.529**

18 **Measurement of facades**



D. Facade openings

1. At least 20 percent of the area of each street-facing facade shall consist of windows and/or doors, except as provided in subsection **23.45.529.C.1.b)** **23.45.529.D.2.** If a front and side facade are street-facing, the two facades may be combined for the purpose of this calculation.

2. For any rowhouse or townhouse dwelling unit that has both a front and a side facade that are street-facing, the percentage of the side street-facing facade required to consist of windows and/or doors is reduced to ten percent for the portion of the facade associated with that dwelling unit. This reduction to ten percent is not allowed if the facades

are combined for the purpose of this standard pursuant to subsection ((23.45.529.C.1.a))
23.45.529.D.1 ((or if any of the exceptions in subsection 23.45.529.C.3 are applied)).

((~~e~~)) 3. Windows count toward the requirement for facade openings in this
subsection ((23.45.529.C.1)) 23.45.529.D only if they are transparent. Windows composed of
glass blocks or opaque glass, garage doors, and doors to utility and service areas do not count.

((~~2. Facade articulation~~

a. If a street-facing facade or portion of a street-facing facade is not
vertical, the Director shall determine whether the facade is substantially vertical and required
to comply with this subsection 23.45.529.C.

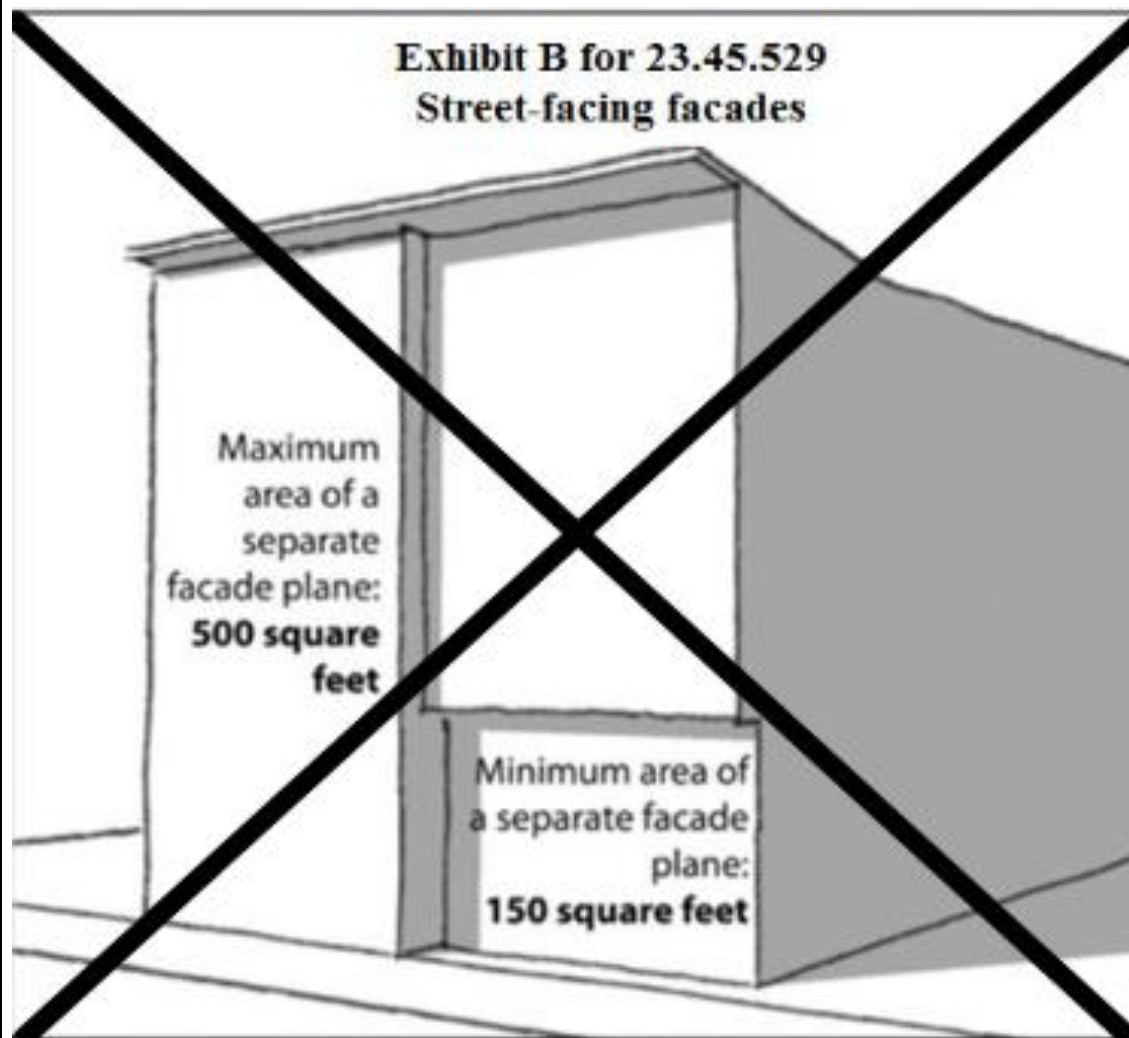
b. If the street-facing facade of a structure exceeds 750 square feet in
area, division of the facade into separate facade planes is required (see Exhibit B for
23.45.529).

c. In order to be considered a separate facade plane for the purposes of
this subsection 23.45.529.C.2, a portion of the street-facing facade shall have a minimum area
of 150 square feet and a maximum area of 500 square feet, and shall project or be recessed
from abutting facade planes by a minimum depth of 18 inches.

d. Trim that is a minimum of 0.75 inches deep and 3.5 inches wide is
required to mark roof lines, porches, windows, and doors on all street-facing facades.

~~Exhibit B for 23.45.529~~

~~Street-facing facades~~



~~3. The Director may allow exceptions to the facade opening requirements in subsection 23.45.529.C.1 and the facade articulation requirements in subsection 23.45.529.C.2, if the Director determines that the street-facing facade will meet the intent of subsection 23.45.529.A.1 for all housing types, and, as applicable, the intent of subsections 23.45.529.E.2, 23.45.529.F.3, and 23.45.529.G.4 for cottage housing developments, rowhouse developments, and townhouse developments, respectively, through one or more of the following street-facing facade treatments:~~

~~a. Variations in building materials and/or color, or both, that reflect the stacking of stories or reinforce the articulation of the facade;~~

~~b. Incorporation of architectural features that add interest and dimension to the facade, such as porches, bay windows, chimneys, pilasters, columns, cornices, and/or balconies;~~

~~c. Special landscaping elements provided to meet Green Factor requirements pursuant to Section 23.45.524, such as trellises, that accommodate vegetated walls covering a minimum of 25 percent of the facade surface;~~

~~d. Special fenestration treatment, including an increase in the percentage of windows and doors to at least 25 percent of the street-facing facade(s).))~~

~~((D-))~~ E. Treatment of side facades that are not street-facing. For the purposes of this subsection 23.45.529.D, a side facade that is not street-facing includes all vertical surfaces enclosing interior space, including gables and dormers, as shown in Exhibit A for 23.45.529, if located within 10 feet of a side lot line. ~~((4-))~~ If the side facade of a structure that is not street-facing exceeds 1,000 square feet in area, one of the following must be met:

~~((a-))~~ 1. A portion of the side facade with a minimum area of 250 square feet and a maximum area of 750 square feet shall project or be recessed from abutting facade planes by a minimum depth of 18 inches; or

~~((b-))~~ 2. The side facade shall include vertical or horizontal variations in building materials or color, covering a minimum of 25 percent of the facade surface.

~~((2. Structures shall be designed to maintain the privacy of dwelling units by minimizing placement of proposed windows where they would directly align with windows on the side facade of a structure on an abutting lot located within 20 feet of the side property line~~

~~or by use of fencing, screening, landscaping, or translucent windows to create privacy between buildings.~~

~~E. Design standards for cottage housing developments~~

~~1. Pedestrian entry. Each cottage with a street-facing facade that is located within 10 feet of the street lot line shall have a visually prominent pedestrian entry through the use of covered stoops, porches, or other architectural entry features. For cottages on corner lots that have more than one street-facing facade within 10 feet of the street lot line, a visually prominent pedestrian entry is required on only one of the street-facing facades. Access to these entrances may be through a required private amenity area that abuts the street.~~

~~2. Architectural expression. Cottage housing developments shall include architectural details that reduce the visual scale of the units. Each cottage shall employ one or more of the following design techniques to reduce visual scale of the units:~~

- ~~a. Attached covered porch;~~
- ~~b. Roofline features such as dormers or clerestories;~~
- ~~c. Bay windows;~~
- ~~d. Variation in siding texture and materials; and~~
- ~~e. Other appropriate architectural techniques demonstrated by the applicant to reduce the visual scale of cottages.~~

~~F. Design standards for rowhouse developments~~

~~1. Pedestrian entry. Each rowhouse unit shall have a pedestrian entry on the street-facing facade that is designed to be visually prominent through the use of covered stoops, porches, or other architectural entry features. For rowhouse units on corner lots, a visually prominent pedestrian entry is required on only one of the street-facing facades.~~

1 ~~2. Front setback. Design elements to provide a transition between the street and~~
2 ~~the rowhouse units, such as landscaping, trees, fences, or other similar features, are required in~~
3 ~~the front setback.~~

4 ~~3. Architectural expression. The street-facing facade of a rowhouse unit shall~~
5 ~~provide architectural detail or composition to visually identify each individual rowhouse unit~~
6 ~~as seen from the street. Design elements such as trim or molding, modulation, massing, color~~
7 ~~and material variation, or other similar features may be used to achieve visual identification of~~
8 ~~individual units. Rooftop features, such as dormers or clerestories, or roofline variation may be~~
9 ~~used to visually identify individual rowhouse units.~~

10 ~~G. Design standards for townhouse developments~~

11 ~~1. Building orientation. Townhouse developments shall maximize the~~
12 ~~orientation of individual units to the street by complying with one of the following conditions:~~

13 ~~a. When multiple buildings are located on a lot, at least 50 percent of the~~
14 ~~townhouse units shall be located so that there is no intervening principal structure between the~~
15 ~~unit and the street, unless the intervening principal structure was established under permit as of~~
16 ~~October 31, 2001, or was granted a permit on October 31, 2001, and the permit has not~~
17 ~~expired; or~~

18 ~~b. All townhouse units without a street-facing facade shall have direct~~
19 ~~access to a common amenity area meeting the requirements of Section 23.45.522 that either~~
20 ~~abuts the street or is visible and accessible from the street by a clear pedestrian pathway.~~

21 ~~2. Pedestrian pathway. A clear pedestrian pathway from the street to the~~
22 ~~entrance of each townhouse unit shall be provided. The pedestrian pathway may be part of a~~
23 ~~driveway, provided that the pathway is differentiated from the driveway by pavement color,~~

~~texture, or similar technique. Signage identifying townhouse unit addresses and the directions to the unit entrance(s) from the street shall be provided.~~

~~3. Pedestrian entry. Each townhouse unit with a street facing facade shall have a pedestrian entry on the street facing facade that is designed to be a visually prominent feature through the use of covered stoops, porches, or other architectural entry features. For townhouse units on corner lots, a visually prominent pedestrian entry is required on only one of the street facing facades.~~

~~4. Architectural expression. Architectural detail or composition shall be provided to visually identify each individual townhouse unit, as seen from the public street. Design elements such as trim or molding, modulation, massing, color and material variation, or other similar features may be used to achieve visual identification of individual units. Rooftop features, such as dormers or clerestories, or roofline variation may be used to visually identify individual townhouse units.~~

~~H. Building entry orientation standards for apartments~~

~~1. For each apartment structure, a principal shared pedestrian entrance is required that faces either a street or a common amenity area, such as a landscaped courtyard, that abuts and has direct access to the street. Additional pedestrian entrances to individual units are permitted.~~

~~2. If more than one apartment structure is located on a lot, each apartment structure separated from the street by another principal structure shall have a principal entrance that is accessible from a common amenity area with access to the street.~~

1 ~~3. The shared entrance of each apartment structure shall have a pedestrian entry~~
2 ~~that is designed to be visually prominent, through the use of covered stoops, overhead weather~~
3 ~~protection, a recessed entry, or other architectural entry features.))~~

4 F. Pedestrian access. Each dwelling unit shall have pedestrian access at least 3 feet in
5 width to the sidewalk or, if no sidewalk exists, the front lot line. This pedestrian access may be
6 shared or private. This pedestrian access may cross any required setbacks or interior separation.
7 The pedestrian access may be part of a driveway.

8 G. Entrances. Each structure with a street-facing facade shall have a pedestrian entry on
9 that street-facing facade meeting the following:

10 1. For apartments, at least one pedestrian entry shall be required for the structure
11 as a whole.

12 2. For single-family dwelling units, cottage housing, rowhouses, and townhouses,
13 each individual dwelling unit with a street-facing facade within 40 feet of the street lot line shall
14 have at least one pedestrian entry on the street-facing facade.

15 3. For structures or dwelling units on corner lots, a pedestrian entry is required
16 on only one of the street-facing facades.

17 4. Required pedestrian entry on street-facing facades shall have weather
18 protection, such as a covered porch, canopy, recessed entry or similar feature, measuring at least
19 3 feet by 3 feet in width and depth for attached and detached dwelling units and at least 6 feet in
20 width and 4 feet in depth for stacked dwelling units.

21 5. For attached and detached dwelling units, the pedestrian entry may be located
22 on a wall perpendicular to the street-facing facade provided that the pedestrian entry abuts a
23 covered porch or recessed entry that is a portion of the street-facing facade.

Section 24. Section 23.53.006 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 127099, is amended as follows:

23.53.006 Pedestrian access and circulation

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F. Exceptions. The following exceptions to pedestrian access and circulation requirements and standards apply:

1. Projects exempt from requirements. Pedestrian access and circulation improvements are not required for the following types of projects:

- a. Change of use;
- b. Alterations to existing structures;
- c. Additions to existing structures that are exempt from environmental review;
- d. Construction of a detached structure accessory to ~~((a single-family))~~ an existing dwelling unit in any zone, if the property owner enters into a no-protest agreement, as authorized by chapter 35.43 RCW, to future pedestrian access and circulation improvements and that agreement is recorded with the King County ~~((Recorder))~~ Recorder's Office;
- e. Construction of ~~((a single-family))~~ one dwelling unit on a lot in any zone, if the property owner enters into a no-protest agreement, as authorized by chapter 35.43 RCW, to future pedestrian access and circulation improvements and that agreement is recorded with the King County ~~((Recorder))~~ Recorder's Office, and if at least one of the following conditions is met:

1) The lot is on a block front where there are no existing pedestrian access and circulation improvements within 100 feet of the lot; or

2) Construction of pedestrian access and circulation

improvements is not necessary because, for example, the existing right-of-way has suitable width and surface treatment for pedestrian use; or the existing right-of-way has a limited amount of existing and potential vehicular traffic; or the Director anticipates limited, if any, additional development near the lot because the development near the lot is at or near zoned capacity under current zoning designations;

f. Expansions of surface parking, outdoor storage, outdoor sales and outdoor display of rental equipment of less than 20 percent of the parking, storage, sales or display area, or number of parking spaces;

g. In the MML zone, the addition of:

1) Fewer than ten artist's studio dwellings;

2) Less than 750 square feet of gross floor area of major and minor vehicle repair uses and multipurpose retail sales; ~~((and))~~ or

3) Less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area of ~~((non-residential))~~ nonresidential uses not listed in subsection 23.53.006.F.1.g.2; and

h. Construction of a new ~~((non-residential))~~ nonresidential structure of up to 4,000 square feet of gross floor area if the structure is at least 50 feet from any lot line abutting an existing street that does not have pedestrian access and circulation improvements.

2. Waiver or modification of pedestrian access and circulation requirements.

The Director, in consultation with the Director of Transportation, may waive or modify pedestrian access and circulation requirements when one or more of the following conditions are met. The waiver or modification shall provide the minimum relief necessary to accommodate site conditions while maximizing pedestrian access and circulation.

1 a. Location in an environmentally critical area or buffer makes
2 installation of a sidewalk, curb, and/or curb ramp structurally impracticable or technically
3 infeasible;

4 b. The existence of a bridge, viaduct, or structure such as a substantial
5 retaining wall in proximity to the project site makes installation of a sidewalk, curb, and/or
6 curb ramp structurally impracticable or technically infeasible;

7 c. Sidewalk, curb, and/or curb ramp construction would result in
8 undesirable disruption of existing drainage patterns, or disturbance to or removal of natural
9 features such as significant trees or other valuable and character-defining mature vegetation; or

10 d. Sidewalk, curb, and/or curb ramp construction would preclude
11 vehicular access to the lot, for example on project sites where topography would render
12 driveway access in excess of the maximum 15 percent slope.

13 3. Notwithstanding any provision of Section 23.76.026, the applicant for a
14 Master Use Permit or a building permit to which (~~the Land Use Code~~) Title 23 in effect prior
15 to October 30, 2009, applies may, by written election, use the exemptions in subsections
16 23.53.006.F.1 and 23.53.006.F.2.

17 Section 25. Section 23.53.025 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
18 126682, is amended as follows:

19 **23.53.025 Access easement standards**

20 If access by easement has been approved by the Director, the easement shall meet the
21 following standards. Surfacing of easements, pedestrian walkways required within easements,
22 and turnaround dimensions shall meet the requirements of the Right-of-Way Improvements
23 Manual.

1 A. Vehicle access easements serving one or two (~~((single-family))~~) dwelling units (~~((or~~
2 ~~one multifamily residential use with a maximum of two units))~~) shall meet the following
3 standards:

- 4 1. Easement width shall be a minimum of 10 feet.
- 5 2. No maximum easement length shall be set. If easement length is more than
6 150 feet, a vehicle turnaround shall be provided.
- 7 3. (~~((Curbcut))~~) Curb cut width from the easement to the street shall be the
8 minimum necessary for safety and access.

9 B. Vehicle access easements serving at least three but fewer than (~~((five single-family))~~)
10 ten dwelling units shall meet the following standards:

- 11 1. Easement width shall be a minimum of 10 feet.
- 12 2. The easement shall provide a hard-surfaced roadway at least 10 feet wide.
- 13 3. No maximum easement length shall be set. If the easement is over 600 feet
14 long, a fire hydrant may be required by the Director.
- 15 4. A turnaround shall be provided unless the easement extends from street to
16 street.
- 17 5. (~~((Curbcut))~~) Curb cut width from the easement to the street shall be the
18 minimum necessary for safety and access.

19 C. (~~((Vehicle access easements serving at least five but fewer than ten single-family~~
20 ~~dwelling units, or at least three but fewer than ten multifamily dwelling units~~

- 21 1. ~~Easement width, surfaced width, length, turn around, and curbcut width shall~~
22 ~~be as required in subsection 23.53.025.B.~~

2. ~~No single family structure shall be closer than 5 feet to the easement, except that structural features allowed to extend into required yards under subsection 23.44.014.C.6 are also allowed to extend into the 5 foot setback from an easement.~~

~~D.)) Vehicle ((Access Easements Serving Ten))~~ access easements serving ten or more ~~((Residential Units.))~~ dwelling units shall meet the following standards:

1. Easement width shall be a minimum of 32 feet;
2. The easement shall provide a surfaced roadway at least 24 feet wide, except in the MPC-YT zone, where the minimum surfaced roadway width is 20 feet;
3. No maximum length shall be set. If the easement is over 600 feet long, a fire hydrant may be required by the Director;
4. A turnaround shall be provided unless the easement extends from street to street;
5. ~~((Curb cut))~~ Curb cut width from the easement to the street shall be the minimum necessary for safety access;
6. No ~~((single family structure))~~ detached dwelling unit shall be located closer than ~~((40))~~ 5 feet to an easement, except that architectural features such as cornices, eaves, gutters, roofs, fireplaces, chimneys, and other similar features shall not be located closer than 3 feet to a required easement;
7. One pedestrian walkway shall be provided, extending the length of the easement.

~~((E. Vehicle Access Easements Serving Nonresidential or Live-work Uses.~~

~~4.))~~ D. For nonresidential or live-work uses providing fewer than ten ~~((40))~~ parking spaces, the easement shall meet the requirements of subsection ~~((E))~~ 23.53.025.B.

1 ((2)) E. For nonresidential or live-work uses providing ten ~~((10))~~ or more parking
2 spaces, the easement shall meet the requirements of subsection ~~((D))~~ 23.53.025.C.

3 F. Pedestrian ~~((Access Easements))~~ access easements. Where a lot proposed for a
4 residential use abuts an alley but does not abut a street and the provisions of the zone require
5 access by vehicles from the alley, or where the alley access is an exercised option, an easement
6 providing pedestrian access to a street from the lot shall be provided meeting the following
7 standards:

8 1. Easement width shall be a minimum of ~~((five-))~~ 5 ~~(())~~ feet;

9 2. Easements serving one ~~((1))~~ or two ~~((2))~~ dwelling units shall provide a
10 paved pedestrian walkway at least ~~((three-))~~ 3 ~~(())~~ feet wide;

11 3. Easements serving three ~~((3))~~ or more dwelling units shall provide a paved
12 pedestrian walkway at least ~~((five-))~~ 5 ~~(())~~ feet wide;

13 4. Easements over ~~((one hundred-))~~ 100 ~~(())~~ feet in length shall provide
14 lighting at intervals not to exceed ~~((fifty-))~~ 50 ~~(())~~ feet. Lighting placement shall not exceed
15 ~~((fifteen-))~~ 15 ~~(())~~ feet in height;

16 5. Pedestrian access easements shall not exceed ~~((two hundred-))~~ 200 ~~(())~~ feet
17 in length.

18 G. Vertical ~~((Clearance Above Easements))~~ clearance above easements. When an
19 easement serves fewer than ten ~~((10))~~ residential units and crosses a residentially zoned lot,
20 portions of structures may be built over the easement provided that a minimum vertical
21 clearance of ~~((sixteen and one half (16 1/2))~~ 16.5 feet is maintained above the surface of the
22 easement roadway and a minimum turning path radius in accordance with ~~((Section 23.54.030~~
23 E)) subsection 23.54.030.D is maintained. ~~((See))~~ Exhibit ~~((23.53.025 A))~~ A for 23.53.025.)

H. Exceptions ((~~From Access Easement Standards~~)) from access easement standards.

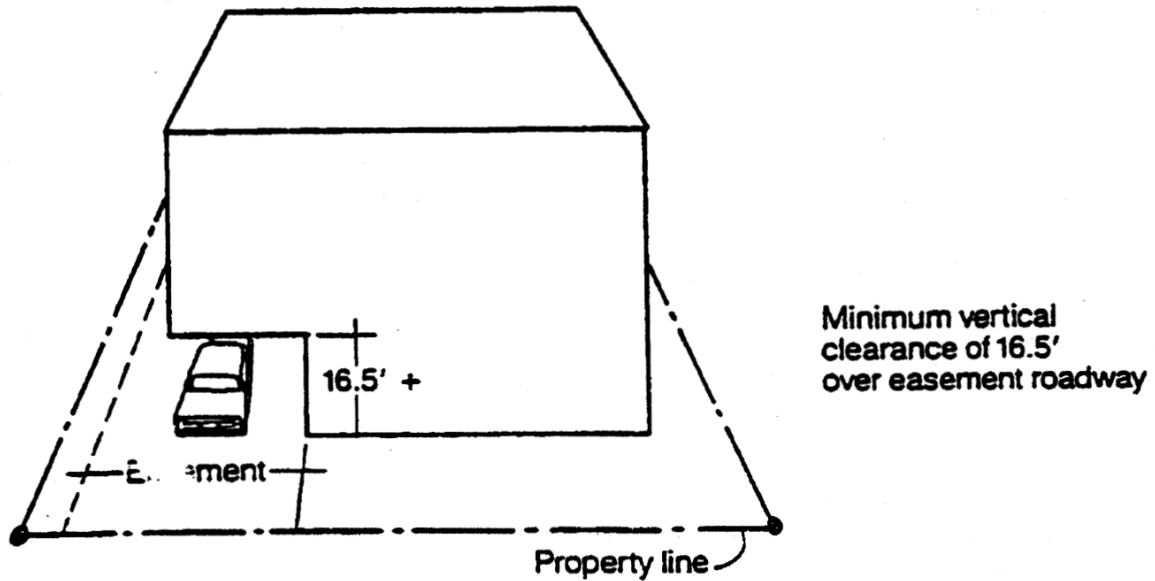
The Director, in consultation with the Fire Chief, may modify the requirements for easement width and surfacing for properties located in environmentally critical areas or their buffers when it is determined that:

1. Such modification(s) would reduce adverse effects to identified environmentally critical areas or buffers; and
2. Adequate access and provisions for fire protection can be provided for structures served by the easement.

Exhibit A for 23.53.025

Residential structures permitted to be constructed over vehicle access easement

**Exhibit 23.53.025 A
Residential Structures Permitted to be
Constructed Over Vehicle Access Easement**



Section 26. Section 23.54.015 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 127099, is amended as follows:

23.54.015 Required parking and maximum parking limits

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Table B for 23.54.015
Required parking for residential uses

Use		Minimum parking required
I. General residential uses ²		
A.	Adult family homes	1 space for each dwelling unit
B.	Artist's studio/dwellings	1 space for each dwelling unit ₂
C.	Assisted living facilities	1 space for each 4 assisted living units; plus 1 space for each 2 staff members on-site at peak staffing time; plus 1 barrier-free passenger loading and unloading space
D.	Caretaker's quarters	1 space for each dwelling unit
E.	Congregate residences ¹	1 space for each 4 sleeping rooms
F.	Cottage housing developments ^{1, 3, 4}	1 space for each dwelling unit
G.	Floating homes	1 space for each dwelling unit
H.	Mobile home parks	1 space for each mobile home lot as defined in Chapter 22.904
I.	Multifamily residential uses((, except as otherwise provided in this Table B for 23.54.015)) ^{1, ((2)) 3, 4}	1 space per dwelling unit, or 1 space for each 2 small efficiency dwelling units
J.	Nursing homes	1 space for each 2 staff doctors; plus 1 additional space for each 3 employees; plus 1 space for each 6 beds
K.	Single-family dwelling units ^{1, 3, 4}	1 space for each dwelling unit
II. Residential use requirements for specific areas ²		

Table B for 23.54.015
Required parking for residential uses

Use		Minimum parking required
L.	All residential uses within urban centers or within the Station Area Overlay District ⁽⁽²⁾⁾	No minimum requirement
M.	All residential uses in commercial, RSL, and multifamily zones within urban villages that are not within urban center or the Station Area Overlay District, if the residential use is located within a frequent transit service area ^{((2,4))}	No minimum requirement
N.	Multifamily residential uses within the University of Washington parking impact area shown on Map A for 23.54.015 ⁽⁽²⁾⁾	1 space per dwelling unit for dwelling units with fewer than 2 bedrooms; plus 1.5 spaces per dwelling units with 2 or more bedrooms; plus 0.25 spaces per bedroom for dwelling units with 3 or more bedrooms
O.	Multifamily dwelling units, within the Alki area shown on Map B for 23.54.015 ⁽⁽²⁾⁾	1.5 spaces for each dwelling unit
P.	Congregate residences located within one-half mile walking distance of a major transit stop <u>or a frequent transit stop</u>	No minimum requirement
Q.	<u>Middle housing, as defined in Section 23.84A.025, located within one-half mile walking distance of a major transit stop</u>	<u>No minimum requirement</u>

Footnotes to Table B for 23.54.015

¹ For each moderate-income unit and each low-income unit, no minimum amount of parking is required.

² The minimum amount of parking prescribed by Part I of Table B for 23.54.015 does not apply if a use, structure, or development qualifies for a greater or a lesser amount of minimum parking, including no parking, under any other provision of this Section

Table B for 23.54.015
Required parking for residential uses

Use	Minimum parking required
<p>23.54.015. If more than one provision in this Table B for 23.54.015 is applicable, the provision requiring the least amount of minimum parking applies((, except that if item O in Part II of Table B for 23.54.015 applies, it shall supersede any other requirement in Part I or Part II of this Table B for 23.54.015)).)</p> <p>³ No parking is required for ((single-family residential uses)) <u>accessory dwelling units.</u></p> <p>⁴ <u>No parking is required for principal dwelling units</u> on lots in any residential zone that are less than 3,000 square feet in size or less than 30 feet in width where access to parking is permitted through a required yard or setback abutting a street according to the standards of subsections 23.44.016.B.2, 23.45.536.C.2, or 23.45.536.C.3.</p> <p>((⁴ Except as provided in Footnote 4, the minimum amounts of parking prescribed by Part 1 of Table B for 23.54.015 apply within 1,320 feet of the Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal.))</p>	

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Table D for 23.54.015
Parking for bicycles ¹

((USE)) <u>Use</u>	Bike parking requirements	
	Long-term	Short-term

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D. RESIDENTIAL USES ³

D.1	Congregate residences ^{4, 5, 6}	1 per 4 sleeping rooms	1 per 80 sleeping rooms. 2 spaces minimum
D.2	Multifamily structures other than townhouse and rowhouse developments ^{4, 5, 6}	1 per dwelling unit	1 per 20 dwelling units
D.3	Single-family residences	None	None
D.4	Townhouse and rowhouse developments ^{5, 6}	1 per dwelling unit	None

Table D for 23.54.015
Parking for bicycles ¹

((USE)) Use		Bike parking requirements	
		Long-term	Short-term
E. TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES			
E.1((-))	Park and ride facilities on surface parking lots	At least 20 ^{((6)) 7}	At least 10
E.2((-))	Park and ride facilities in parking garages	At least 20 if parking is the principal use of a property; zero if non-parking uses are the principal use of a property	At least 10 if parking is the principal use of a property; zero if non-parking uses are the principal use of a property
E.3((-))	Flexible-use parking garages and flexible-use parking surface lots	1 per 20 auto spaces	None
E.4((-))	Rail transit facilities and passenger terminals	Spaces for 5 percent of projected AM peak period daily ridership ^{((6)) 7}	Spaces for 2 percent of projected AM peak period daily ridership

Footnotes to Table D for 23.54.015

¹ Required bicycle parking includes long-term and short-term amounts shown in this Table D for 23.54.015.

² The Director may reduce short-term bicycle parking requirements for theaters and spectator sport facilities that provide bicycle valet services authorized through a Transportation Management Program. A bicycle valet service is a service that allows bicycles to be temporarily stored in a secure area, such as a monitored bicycle corral.

³ For residential uses, after the first 50 spaces for bicycles are provided, additional spaces are required at three-quarters the ratio shown in this Table D for 23.54.015.

⁴ For congregate residences or multifamily structures that are owned and operated by a not-for-profit entity serving seniors or persons with disabilities, or that are licensed by the State and provide supportive services for seniors or persons with disabilities, as a Type I decision, the Director shall have the discretion to reduce the amount of required bicycle parking to as few as zero if it can be demonstrated that residents are less likely to travel by bicycle.

**Table D for 23.54.015
Parking for bicycles ¹**

((USE)) <u>Use</u>	Bike parking requirements	
	Long-term	Short-term
<p>⁵ In low-income housing, there is no minimum required long-term bicycle parking requirement for each unit subject to affordability limits no higher than 30 percent of median income and long-term bicycle parking requirements may be waived by the Director as a Type I decision for each unit subject to affordability limits greater than 30 percent of median income and no higher than 80 percent of median income if a reasonable alternative is provided (e.g., in-unit vertical bike storage).</p> <p>⁶ No bike parking is required for middle housing as defined in Section 23.84A.025.</p> <p>((6))⁷ The Director, in consultation with the Director of Transportation, may require more bicycle parking spaces based on the following factors: area topography; pattern and volume of expected bicycle users; nearby residential and employment density; proximity to the Urban Trails system and other existing and planned bicycle facilities; projected transit ridership and expected access to transit by bicycle; and other relevant transportation and land use information.</p>		

Section 27. Section 23.54.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126509, is amended as follows:

23.54.020 Parking quantity exceptions

The motor vehicle parking quantity exceptions set forth in this Section 23.54.020 apply in all zones except downtown zones, which are regulated by Section 23.49.019, and Major Institution zones, which are regulated by Section 23.54.016.

A. Adding ((Units)) units to ((Existing Structures)) existing structures in Multifamily and Commercial ((Zones-)) zones

1. For the purposes of this Section 23.54.020, "existing structures" means those structures that were established under permit, or for which a permit has been granted and has not expired as of the applicable date, as follows:

a. In multifamily zones, August 10, 1982;

1 b. In commercial zones, June 9, 1986.

2 2. In locations in a multifamily or commercial zone where there is a minimum
3 parking requirement, one dwelling unit may either be added to an existing structure or may be
4 built on a lot that contains an existing structure without additional parking if both of the
5 following requirements are met:

6 a. Either the existing parking provided on the lot meets development
7 standards, or the lot area is not increased and existing parking is screened and landscaped to
8 the greatest extent practical; and

9 b. Any additional parking shall meet all development standards for the
10 zone.

11 3. In locations in a multifamily or commercial zone where there is a minimum
12 parking requirement, the Director may authorize a reduction or waiver of the parking
13 requirement as a Type I decision when dwelling units are proposed to be added either to an
14 existing structure or on a lot that contains an existing structure, in addition to the exception
15 permitted in subsection 23.54.020.A.2, if the conditions in subsections 23.54.020.A.3.a and b
16 below are met, and either of the conditions in subsections 23.54.020.A.3.c or d below are met:

17 a. The only use of the structure will be residential; and

18 b. The lot is not located in either the University District Parking Overlay
19 Area (Map A for 23.54.015) or the Alki Area Parking Overlay (Map B for 23.54.015); and

20 c. The topography of the lot or location of existing structures makes
21 provision of an off-street parking space physically infeasible in a conforming location; or

~~d.~~ The lot is located in a residential parking zone (RPZ) and a current parking study is submitted showing a utilization rate of less than 75 percent for on-street parking within 400 feet of all lot lines.

B. Tandem ~~((Parking))~~ parking in ~~((Multifamily Structures))~~ multifamily structures.
~~((1.))~~ Off-street parking required for multifamily structures may be provided as tandem parking, as defined in Section 23.54.030. ~~((A tandem parking space counts as one and one-half parking spaces, except as provided in subsection 23.54.020.B.2 below, and must meet the minimum size requirements of subsection 23.54.030.A.~~

~~2. When a minimum of at least one parking space per dwelling unit in a multifamily structure is required, the total number of parking spaces provided, counting each tandem parking space as one space, may not be less than the total number of dwelling units.))~~
A tandem parking space counts at a rate of one space for every 20 linear feet of depth excluding required aisles.

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Section 28. Section 23.54.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 127099, is amended as follows:

23.54.030 Parking space and access standards

All parking spaces provided, whether required by Section 23.54.015 or not, and required barrier-free parking, shall meet the standards of this Section 23.54.030.

A. Parking space dimensions

1. "Large vehicle" means the minimum size of a large vehicle parking space shall be ~~((8.5))~~ 8 feet in width and 19 feet in length.

2. "Medium vehicle" means the minimum size of a medium vehicle parking space shall be 8 feet in width and 16 feet in length.

3. "Small vehicle" means the minimum size of a small vehicle parking space shall be 7.5 feet in width and 15 feet in length.

4. "Barrier-free parking" means a parking space meeting the following standards:

a. Parking spaces shall not be less than 8 feet in width and shall have an adjacent access aisle not less than 5 feet in width. Van-accessible parking spaces shall have an adjacent access aisle not less than 8 feet in width. Where two adjacent spaces are provided, the access aisle may be shared between the two spaces. Boundaries of access aisles shall be marked so that aisles will not be used as parking space.

b. A minimum length of 19 feet or when more than one barrier-free parking space is provided, at least one shall have a minimum length of 19 feet, and other spaces may be the lengths of small, medium, or large spaces in approximate proportion to the number of each size space provided on the lot.

5. "Tandem parking" means a parking space equal to the width and two times the length of the vehicle size standards in subsections 23.54.030.A.1, 23.54.030.A.2, and 23.54.030.A.3 for the size of the vehicle to be accommodated.

6. No wall, post, guardrail, or other obstruction, or lot line, is permitted within the area for car door opening. Columns or other structural elements may encroach into the parking space a maximum of 6 inches on a side, except in the area for car door opening 5 feet from the longitudinal centerline, or 4 feet from the transverse centerline of a parking space (see Exhibit A for 23.54.030).

7. If the parking space is next to a lot line and the parking space is parallel to the lot line, the minimum width of the space is 9 feet.

Exhibit A for 23.54.030

Encroachments ((~~Into Required Parking Space~~)) into required parking

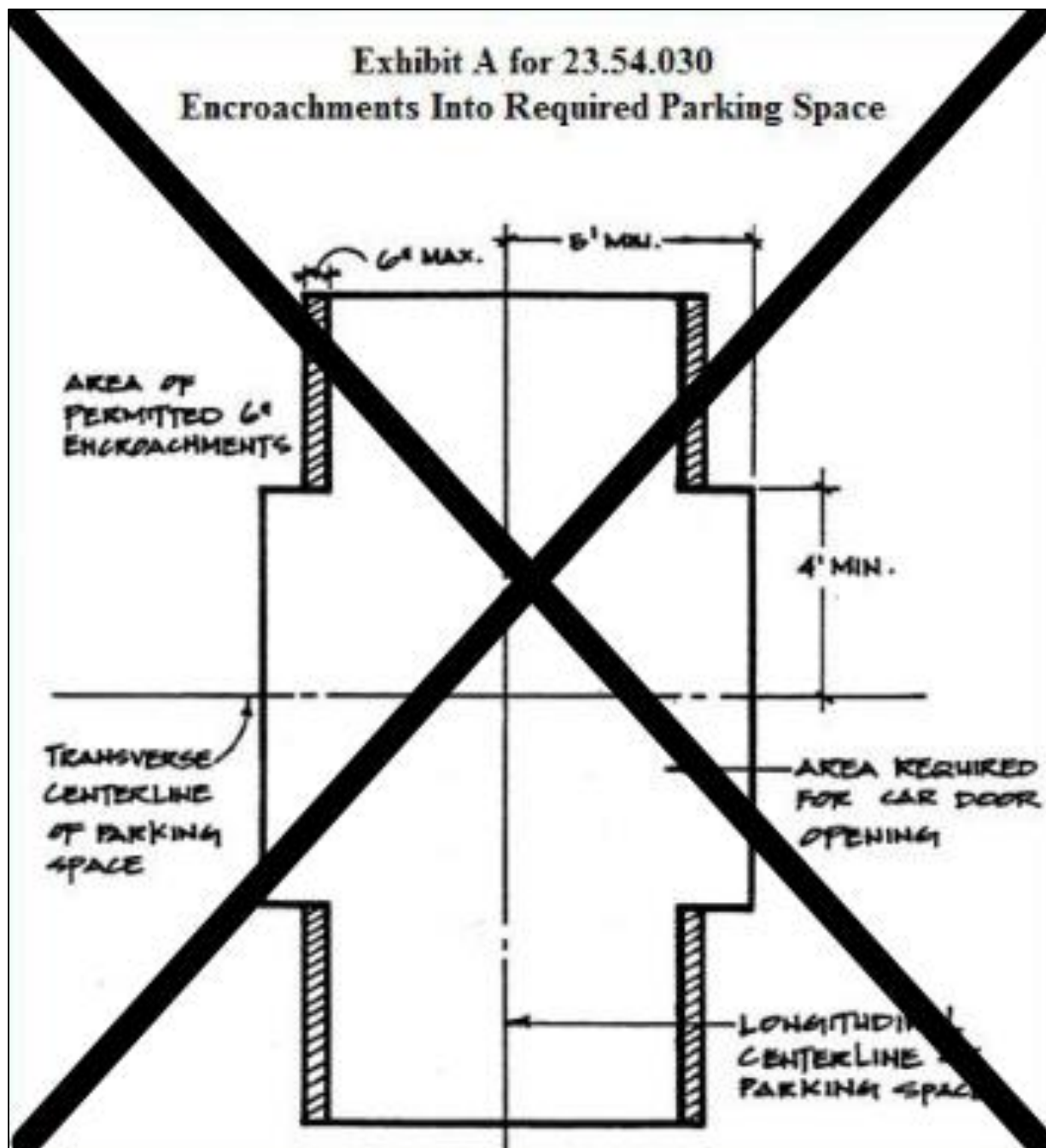
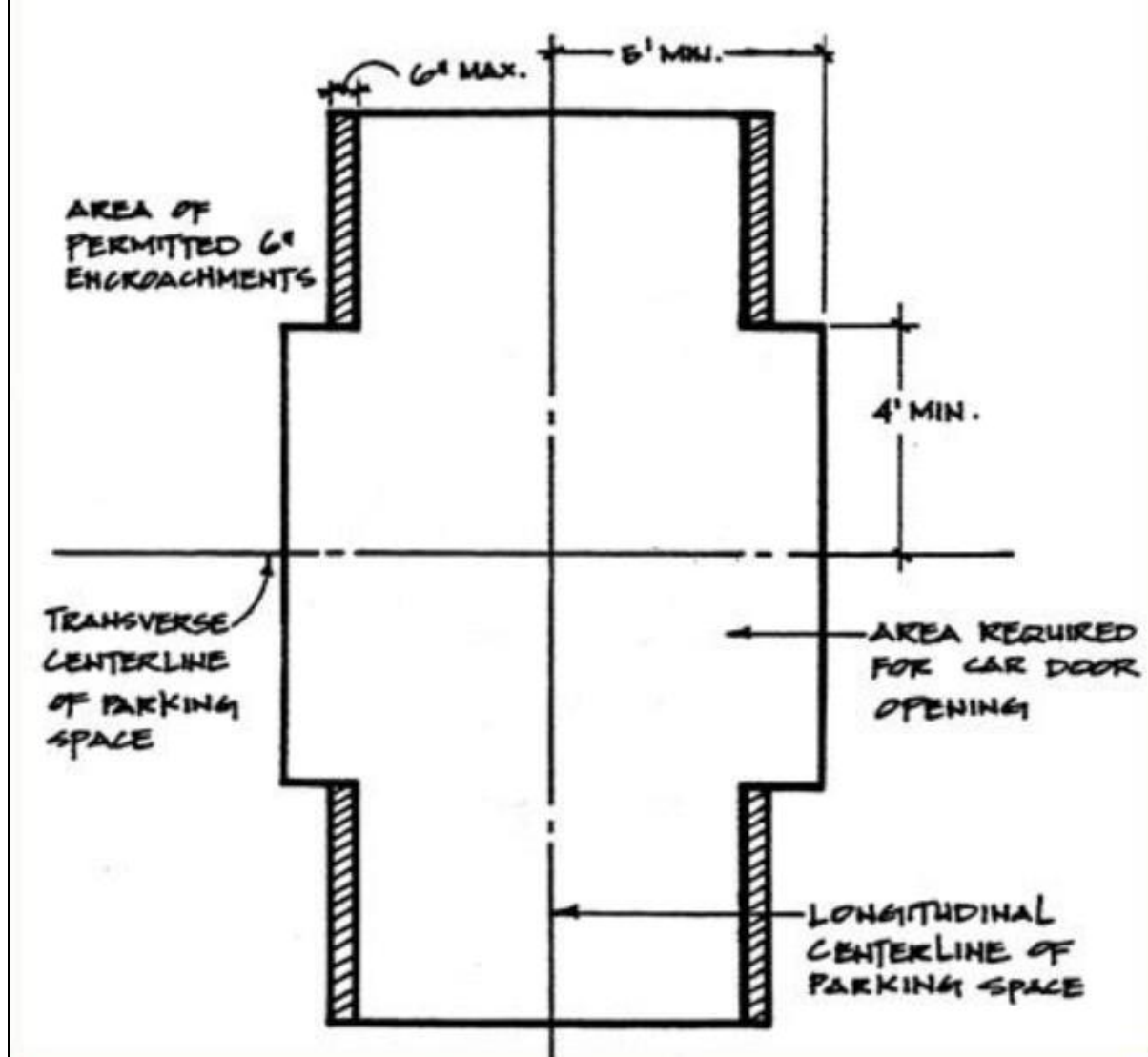


Exhibit A for 23.54.030 Encroachments into required parking



B. Parking space requirements. The required size of parking spaces shall be determined by whether the parking is for a residential, live-work, or ((~~non-residential~~)) nonresidential use. In structures containing residential uses and also containing either ((~~non-residential~~)) nonresidential uses or live-work units, parking that is clearly set aside and reserved for residential or live-work use shall meet the standards of subsection 23.54.030.B.1. Parking for

all other uses within the structure shall meet the standards of subsection 23.54.030.B.2. All uses shall provide barrier-free accessible parking if required by the Seattle Building Code or the Seattle Residential Code.

1. Residential uses

a. When five or fewer parking spaces are provided, the minimum required size of a parking space shall be for a medium vehicle, as described in subsection 23.54.030.A.2, except as provided in subsection 23.54.030.B.1.d.

b. When more than five parking spaces are provided, a minimum of 60 percent of the parking spaces shall be striped for medium vehicles. The minimum size for a medium parking space shall also be the maximum size. Forty percent of the parking spaces may be striped for any size category in subsection 23.54.030.A, provided that when parking spaces are striped for large vehicles, the minimum required aisle width shall be as shown for medium vehicles.

c. Assisted living facilities. Parking spaces shall be provided as in subsections 23.54.030.B.1.a and 23.54.030.B.1.b, except that a minimum of two spaces shall be striped for a large vehicle.

d. ~~((Townhouse units.))~~ For an individual garage serving ~~((a townhouse))~~ an individual dwelling unit, the minimum required size of a parking space shall be for a medium vehicle, as described in subsection 23.54.030.A.

2. ~~((Non-residential))~~ Nonresidential uses

a. When ten or fewer parking spaces are provided, a maximum of 25 percent of the parking spaces may be striped for small vehicles. A minimum of 75 percent of the spaces shall be striped for large vehicles.

b. When between 11 and 19 parking spaces are provided, a minimum of 25 percent of the parking spaces shall be striped for small vehicles. The minimum required size for these small parking spaces shall also be the maximum size. A maximum of 65 percent of the parking spaces may be striped for small vehicles. A minimum of 35 percent of the spaces shall be striped for large vehicles.

c. When 20 or more parking spaces are provided, a minimum of 35 percent of the parking spaces shall be striped for small vehicles. The minimum required size for small parking spaces shall also be the maximum size. A maximum of 65 percent of the parking spaces may be striped for small vehicles. A minimum of 35 percent of the spaces shall be striped for large vehicles.

d. The minimum vehicle clearance shall be at least 6 feet 9 inches on at least one floor, and there shall be at least one direct entrance that is at least 6 feet 9 inches in height for all parking garages accessory to ~~((non-residential))~~ nonresidential uses and live-work units and for all flexible-use parking garages.

3. Live-work uses. The first required parking space shall meet the parking standards for residential use. Additional required parking for a live-work use shall meet the parking standards for ~~((non-residential))~~ nonresidential use.

C. Backing ~~((Distances))~~ distances and ~~((Moving Other Vehicles.))~~ moving other vehicles

1. Adequate ingress to and egress from all parking spaces shall be provided without having to move another vehicle, except in the case of multiple spaces provided for ~~((a single-family))~~ one dwelling unit ~~((or an accessory dwelling unit associated with a single-~~

1 ~~family dwelling~~)) or in the case of tandem parking authorized under ((~~Section~~)) subsection
2 23.54.020.B.

3 2. Except for lots with fewer than three parking spaces, ingress to and egress
4 from all parking spaces shall be provided without requiring backing more than 50 feet.

5 D. Driveways. Driveway requirements for residential and nonresidential uses are
6 described below. When a driveway is used for both residential and nonresidential parking, it
7 shall meet the standards for nonresidential uses described in subsection 23.54.030.D.2.

8 1. Residential uses(((-))

9 a. Driveway width. Driveways less than 100 feet in length that serve 30
10 or fewer parking spaces shall be a minimum of 10 feet in width for one-way or two-way traffic.

11 b. Except for driveways serving one ((~~single-family~~)) dwelling unit,
12 driveways more than 100 feet in length that serve 30 or fewer parking spaces shall either:

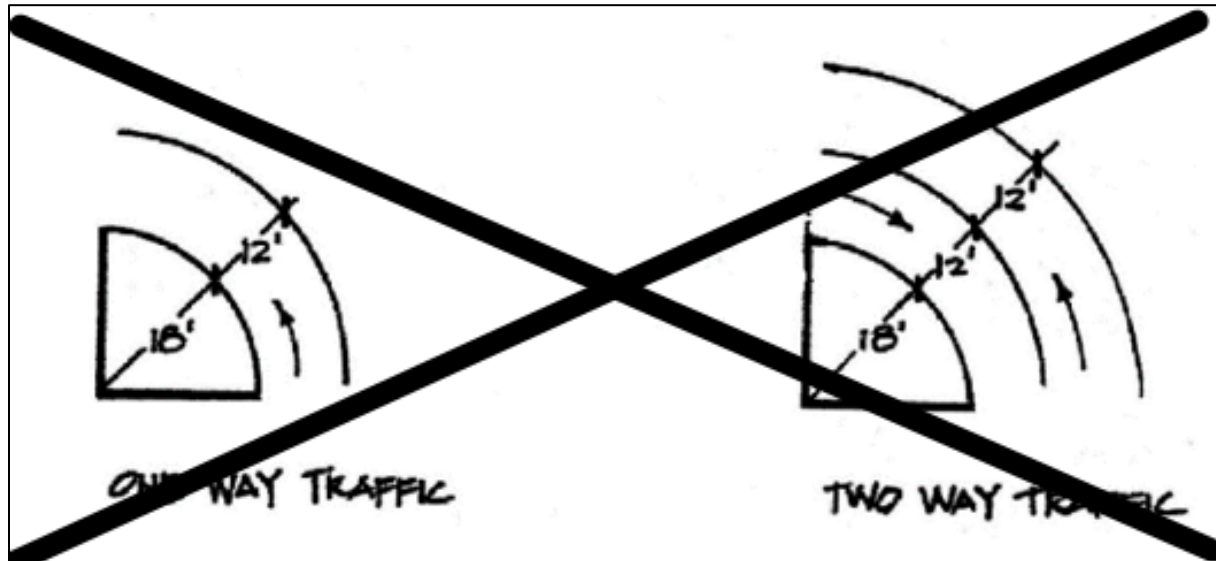
13 1) ((~~be~~)) Be a minimum of 16 feet wide, tapered over a 20 foot
14 distance to a 10 foot opening at the lot line; or

15 2) ((~~be~~)) Be a minimum of 10 feet wide and provide a passing
16 area at least 20 feet wide and 20 feet long. The passing area shall begin 20 feet from the lot
17 line, with an appropriate taper to meet the 10-foot opening at the lot line. If a taper is provided
18 at the other end of the passing area, it shall have a minimum length of 20 feet.

19 c. Driveways of any length that serve more than 30 parking spaces shall
20 be at least 10 feet wide for one-way traffic and at least 20 feet wide for two-way traffic.

21 d. Driveways for two attached ((~~rowhouse or townhouse~~)) dwelling units
22 may be paired so that there is a single curb cut providing access. The maximum width of the
23 paired driveway is 18 feet.

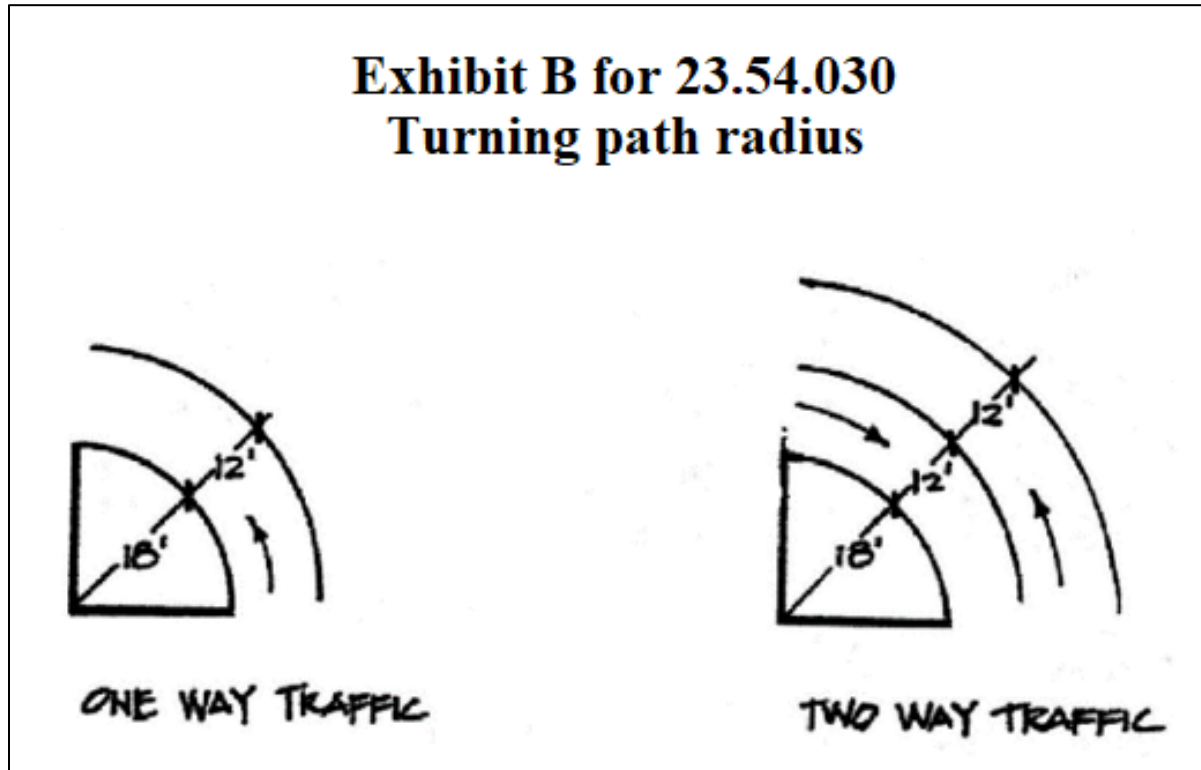
- 1 e. Driveways with a turning radius of more than 35 degrees shall
- 2 conform to the minimum turning path radius shown in Exhibit B for 23.54.030.



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- 4 ((Exhibit B for 23.54.030: Turning Path Radius))

Exhibit B for 23.54.030

Turning path radius



f. Vehicles may back onto a street from a parking area serving five or fewer vehicles, provided that either:

- 1) The street is not an arterial as defined in Section 11.18.010; or
- 2) For a lot with one (~~((single family))~~) dwelling unit or one parking space, the Director may permit backing onto an arterial based on a safety analysis that addresses visibility, traffic volume, and other relevant issues.

g. Nonconforming driveways. The number of parking spaces served by an existing driveway that does not meet the standards of this subsection 23.54.030.D.1 shall not be increased. This prohibition may be waived by the Director after consulting with the Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation, based on a safety analysis.

2. Nonresidential (~~((Uses-))~~) uses

1 a. Driveway (~~(Widths.)~~) widths

2 1) The minimum width of driveways for (~~(one-way)~~) one-way
3 traffic shall be 12 feet and the maximum width shall be 15 feet.

4 2) The minimum width of driveways for (~~(two-way)~~) two-way
5 traffic shall be 22 feet and the maximum width shall be 25 feet.

6 b. Driveways shall conform to the minimum turning path radius shown
7 in Exhibit B for 23.54.030.

8 c. For driveways that provide access to a solid waste management use
9 the Director may allow both a maximum driveway width greater than the limits set in
10 subsection 23.54.030.D.2.a and appropriate turning path radii, as determined necessary for
11 truck maneuvering.

12 3. Driveway slope for all uses. No portion of a driveway, whether located on a
13 lot or on a right-of-way, shall exceed a slope of 15 percent, except as provided in this
14 subsection 23.54.030.D.3. The maximum 15 percent slope shall apply in relation to both the
15 current grade of the right-of-way to which the driveway connects, and to the proposed finished
16 grade of the right-of-way if it is different from the current grade. The ends of a driveway shall
17 be adjusted to accommodate an appropriate crest and sag. The Director may permit a driveway
18 slope of more than 15 percent if it is found that:

19 a. The topography or other special characteristic of the lot makes a 15
20 percent maximum driveway slope infeasible;

21 b. The additional amount of slope permitted is the least amount
22 necessary to accommodate the conditions of the lot; and

23 c. The driveway is still useable as access to the lot.

E. Parking aisles

1. Parking aisles shall be provided according to the requirements of Table A for

23.54.030 and Exhibit C for 23.54.030.

Table A for 23.54.030

Parking aisle dimensions

<u>Parking angle</u>	<u>Stall width</u>	<u>Stall length (in feet)</u>	<u>Aisle width (in feet)¹</u>	<u>Curb depth per car (in feet)</u>	<u>Unit width (in feet)²</u>	<u>Curb length per car (in feet)</u>
<u>0°</u>	<u>Small</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>18</u>
	<u>Medium</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>20</u>
	<u>Large</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>45°</u>	<u>Small</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>15.91</u>	<u>42.82</u>	<u>10.61</u>
	<u>Medium</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>16.97</u>	<u>46.94</u>	<u>11.3</u>
	<u>Large</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>19.09</u>	<u>51.18</u>	<u>11.3</u>
<u>60°</u>	<u>Small</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>16.74</u>	<u>46.48</u>	<u>8.66</u>
	<u>Medium</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17.86</u>	<u>50.72</u>	<u>9.24</u>
	<u>Large</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>17.5</u>	<u>20.45</u>	<u>58.41</u>	<u>9.24</u>
<u>75°</u>	<u>Small</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16.5</u>	<u>16.43</u>	<u>49.36</u>	<u>7.76</u>
	<u>Medium</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18.5</u>	<u>17.52</u>	<u>53.55</u>	<u>8.25</u>
	<u>Large</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20.42</u>	<u>60.84²</u>	<u>8.25</u>
<u>90°</u>	<u>Small</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>7.5</u>
	<u>Medium</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>8</u>
	<u>Large</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>24³</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>62²</u>	<u>8</u>

Footnotes for Table A for 23.54.030

¹ Required aisle width is for one-way traffic only. If two-way traffic is proposed, then the minimum aisle width shall be 20 feet or greater.

² 60 feet may be substituted for required unit width on lots where the available width is in 60-foot whole multiples, provided that the minimum width of the parking stalls shall be 9 feet.

³ For lots 44 feet in width or less, the Director may reduce the aisle width to as low as 20 feet if large parking spaces are provided at 90 degrees as long as the spaces are 9 feet wide.

A Parking Angle	B Stall Width	C Stall Length	D Aisle Width ¹	E Curb Depth Per Car	F Unit Width ³	G Curb Length Per Car
0°	7.5	18.0	10.0	7.5	25.0	18.0
	8.0	20.0	10.0	8.0	26.0	20.0
	8.5	24.0	12.0	8.5	29.0	24.0
45°	7.5	15.0	11.0	15.91	42.82	10.61
	8.0	16.0	13.0	16.97	46.90	11.3
	8.5	19.0	13.0	19.44	51.88	12.02
60°	7.5	15.0	13.0	16.74	46.48	8.66
	8.0	16.0	15.0	17.86	50.72	9.24
	8.5	19.0	17.5	20.70	57.90	9.82
75°	7.5	15.0	16.5	16.43	49.36	7.76
	8.0	16.0	18.5	17.52	53.54	8.25
	8.5	19.0	20.0	20.55	61.10 ²	8.80
90°	7.5	15.0	20.0	15.0	50.0	7.5
	8.0	16.0	22.0	16.0	54.0	8.0
	8.5	19.0 ²	24.0 ²	19.0	62.0 ³	8.5

¹ Required aisle width is for one-way traffic only. If two-way traffic is proposed, then the minimum aisle width shall be 20 feet or greater.

² When lot width is less than 43 feet, 40 feet may be substituted for a two-way aisle and a single row of cars at 90° to the aisle, provided that the minimum width of the parking stalls shall be 9½ feet.

³ 60 feet may be substituted for required unit width on lots where the available width is in 60-foot whole multiples, provided that the minimum width of the parking stalls shall be 9½ feet.

The following equations may be used to compute dimensions for parking angles other than those provided in the chart above:

$$E = C \sin A + B \cos A$$

$$G = B / \sin A$$

NOTE: Aisle widths shall be provided as required for the next greater parking angle shown in the chart above.

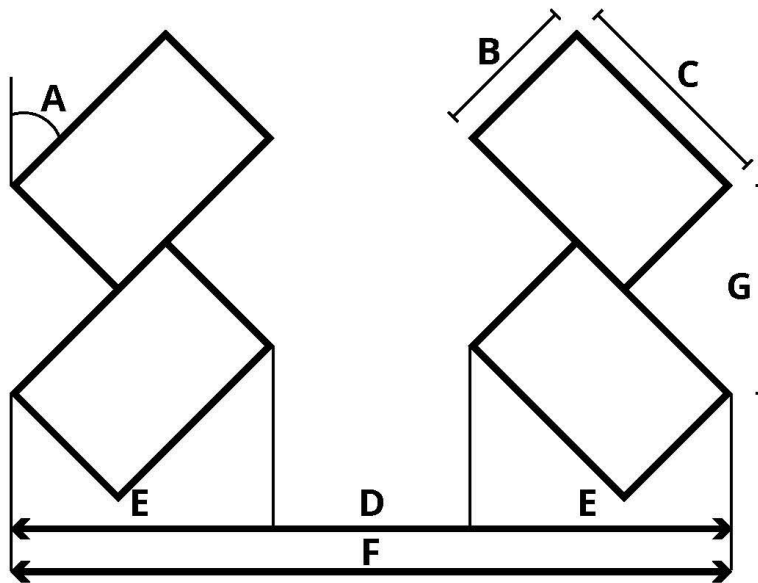
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2 ((Exhibit C for 23.54.030: Parking Aisle Dimensions))

Exhibit C for 23.54.030

Parking aisle dimension measurement

Exhibit C for 23.54.030
Parking aisle dimension measurement



The following equations may be used to compute dimensions for parking angles other than those provided in the chart above.

$$E = C \sin A + B \cos A$$

$$G = B / \sin A$$

Note: Aisle widths shall be provided as required for the next greater parking angle shown in the chart above.

2. Minimum aisle widths shall be provided for the largest vehicles served by the aisle.

3. Turning and maneuvering areas shall be located on private property, except that alleys may be credited as aisle space.

4. Aisle slope shall not exceed 17 percent provided that the Director may permit a greater slope if the criteria in subsections 23.54.030.D.3.a, 23.54.030.D.3.b, and 23.54.030.D.3.c are met.

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L. Electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure. New parking spaces provided on a lot when a new building is constructed shall be "EV-ready" as specified in this subsection 23.54.030.L. The required number of EV-ready parking spaces shall be determined by whether the parking is for a residential or nonresidential use. Parking that is clearly set aside and reserved for residential use shall meet the standards of subsection 23.54.030.L.1; parking for all other uses within the structure shall meet the standards of subsection 23.54.030.L.2.

1. Residential uses

a. Private parking for individual residential units. When parking for any individual dwelling unit is provided in a private garage, carport, or parking area, separate from any parking facilities serving other units, at least one parking space for each unit in that garage, carport, or surface parking area shall be EV-ready.

b. Surface parking for multiple ~~((residences))~~ dwelling units. When parking for ~~((multifamily residential uses))~~ multiple dwelling units is provided in a surface parking area serving multiple ~~((residences))~~ dwelling units, the number of parking spaces that shall be EV-ready shall be as follows:

~~((1) When between one and six parking spaces are provided, each of those parking spaces shall be EV-ready;~~

~~2) When between seven and 25 parking spaces are provided, a minimum of six of those parking spaces shall be EV-ready; and~~

~~3) When more than 25 parking spaces are provided, a minimum of 20 percent of those parking spaces shall be EV-ready.))~~

1) When up to 25 parking spaces are provided, the first 12 parking spaces shall be EV-ready; and

2) When more than 25 parking spaces are provided, 45 percent of all parking spaces shall be EV-ready.

c. Parking garages for multiple (~~residences~~) dwelling units. When parking for (~~multifamily residential uses~~) multiple dwelling units is provided in a parking garage serving multiple (~~residences~~) dwelling units, a minimum of (~~20~~) 45 percent of those parking spaces shall be EV-ready.

~~((d. Other residential uses. When parking is provided for all other residential uses, a minimum of 20 percent of those spaces shall be EV-ready.))~~

2. Nonresidential uses.

a. When parking is provided for nonresidential uses, a minimum of (~~ten~~) 30 percent of those spaces shall be EV-ready(~~(-)~~), except as provided in subsection 23.54.030.L.2.b and subsection 23.54.030.L.2.c.

b. For the uses listed in subsection 23.54.030.L.2.c, the following requirements apply:

1) Where less than ten parking spaces are provided for the use, one EV-ready space is required.

2) Where ten or more parking spaces are provided for the use, ten percent of parking spaces shall be EV-ready.

c. The following uses are subject to the alternative requirements in 23.54.030.L.2.b:

1) The following institutional uses:

a) Community club or center;

b) Child care center;

c) Community farm;

d) Library;

e) Museum;

f) Private club;

g) Religious facility; and

h) School, elementary or secondary;

2) Entertainment uses;

3) Eating and drinking establishments;

4) Automotive sales and services;

5) Multipurpose retail sales;

6) Heavy sales and services, except heavy commercial services;

and

7) Marine sales and services.

3. Rounding. When calculating the number of required EV-ready parking spaces, any fraction or portion of an EV-ready parking space required shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

4. Reductions

a. The Director may, in consultation with the Director of Seattle City Light, reduce the requirements of this subsection 23.54.030.L as a Type I decision (~~where~~) if there is substantial evidence (~~substantiating~~) that the added electrical load that can be attributed to meeting the requirements will:

1) Alter the local utility infrastructure design requirements on the utility side of the legal point of service, so as to require on-property power transformation; or

2) Require an upgrade to an existing residential electrical service.

b. In cases where the provisions of subsection 23.54.030.L.4.a have been met, the maximum quantity of EV charging infrastructure required to be installed shall be reduced to the maximum service size that would not require the changes to transformation or electrical service in subsection 23.54.030.L.4.a. The Director may first reduce the required level of EV infrastructure at EV-ready parking spaces from 40-amp to 20-amp circuits. If necessary, the Director may also then reduce the number of required EV-ready parking spaces or otherwise reduce the level of EV infrastructure at EV-ready parking spaces.

c. The Director may establish by rule the procedures and documentation required for a reduction request.

5. All EV charging infrastructure shall be installed in accordance with the Seattle Electrical Code. Where EV-ready surface parking spaces are located more than 4 feet from a building, raceways shall be extended to a pull box or stub in the vicinity of the designated space and shall be protected from vehicles.

6. Accessible parking. Where new EV-ready parking spaces and new accessible parking are both provided, parking facilities shall be designed so that at least ~~((one))~~ 20 percent of the accessible parking spaces shall be EV-ready with no fewer than two EV-ready spaces. The accessible parking EV-ready infrastructure may also serve adjacent parking spaces not designated as accessible parking. The EV-ready accessible parking spaces, rounded up to the next whole number, are allowed to be included in the total number of electric vehicle parking spaces required under 23.54.030.L.1. and 23.54.030.L.2.

7. Nothing in this subsection 23.54.030.L shall be construed to modify the minimum number of off-street motor vehicle parking spaces required for specific uses or the

maximum number of parking spaces allowed, as set forth in Section 23.54.015 or elsewhere in this Title 23.

8. This Section 23.54.030 does not require EV supply equipment, as defined by Article 100 of the Seattle Electrical Code, to be installed.

Section 29. Section 23.84A.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126685, is amended as follows:

23.84A.010 “E”

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"Essential public facilities" within the City of Seattle means airports, sewage treatment plants, jails, light rail transit systems, and power plants.

“EV-ready” means a minimum 40-ampere dedicated 208- or 240-volt branch circuit (32-amp load) terminated at a junction box or receptacle outlet in close proximity to a parking space.

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Section 30. Section 23.84A.025 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 127099, is amended as follows:

23.84A.025 “M”

* * *

“Major retail store” means a structure or portion of a structure that provides adequate space of at least eighty thousand (80,000) square feet to accommodate the merchandising needs of a major new retailer with an established reputation, and providing a range of merchandise and services, including both personal and household items, to anchor downtown shopping activity

around the retail core, thereby supporting other retail uses and the area's vitality and regional draw for customers.

“Major transit stop” means:

1. Stops on a bus route operated by Sound Transit;
2. Commuter rail stops;
3. Stops on light rail, street car, or trolley bus systems;
4. Stops on bus rapid transit routes; and
5. Any future stop on a bus rapid transit route funded for development and projected for construction within an applicable six-year transit plan under RCW 35.58.2795.

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"Mid-block corridor" means an amenity feature that provides open space and publicly accessible connections across extremely long blocks to mitigate transportation impacts of new development by improving pedestrian circulation in high density areas, including but not limited to the South Lake Union Urban Center, the University Community Urban Center west of 15th Avenue NE, the Uptown Urban Center, the Northgate Urban Center, and the Downtown Urban Center east of Interstate 5.

“Middle housing” means any of the following residential uses, provided that they are located in structures that do not exceed a height limit of 32 feet not including roofs or rooftop features allowed in the underlying zone, as measured in Section 23.86.006:

1. Accessory dwelling unit
2. Adult family home
3. Apartment
4. Carriage house

5. Congregate residence

6. Cottage housing development

7. Low-income housing

8. Mobile home

9. Multifamily residential use

10. Permanent supportive housing

11. Rowhouse development

12. Single-family dwelling unit

13. Townhouse development

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Section 31. Section 23.84A.036 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126157, is amended as follows:

23.84A.036 “S”

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"Short subdivision" means the division or redivision of land into nine ~~((9))~~ or fewer lots, tracts, parcels, sites, or divisions for the purpose of sale, lease, development, or financing.

“Short subdivision, zero lot line” means a short subdivision that conforms to the unit lot subdivision standards in Section 23.24.045.

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"Subdivision" means the division or redivision of land into ten ~~((10))~~ or more lots, tracts, parcels, sites, or divisions for the purpose of sale, lease, or transfer of ownership.

“Subdivision, zero lot line” means a subdivision that conforms to the unit lot subdivision standards in Section 23.22.062.

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Section 32. Section 25.09.240 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126509, is amended as follows:

25.09.240 Short subdivisions and subdivisions

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D. Development standards for new lots in neighborhood residential zones. If new lots are created in neighborhood residential zones by short subdivision or subdivision, the following development standards apply based on the area of each new lot that is outside the environmentally critical areas listed in subsection 25.09.240.A, plus environmentally critical areas in which development is allowed pursuant to subsections 25.09.240.B.1, 25.09.240.B.2, and 25.09.240.B.3:

1. Lot coverage and lot coverage exceptions according to subsections 23.44.010.C and 23.44.010.D.

2. Height limits according to Section 23.44.012(~~(, including the requirements of subsection 23.44.012.A.3)~~) if the area of the largest rectangle or other quadrilateral that can be drawn within the lot lines of the new lot outside the environmentally critical areas is less than 3,200 square feet.

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Section 33: The City Council requests that the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) report to the Council on changes made by the Washington State Building Code Council (SBCC) to the types of projects that are reviewed under the Washington Residential Code. The Council requests that SDCI report back to Council the later of January

1 2026 or after the SBCC makes final decisions on what changes the SBCC has made, and the
2 City's work program to incorporate those changes into the Seattle Residential Code.

3 Section 34. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable.
4 The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or portion of this
5 ordinance, or the invalidity of its application to any person or circumstance, does not affect the
6 validity of the remainder of this ordinance or the validity of its application to other persons or
7 circumstances.

8 Section 35. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code
9 Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070 or on June 30, 2025, whichever is later.

1 Passed by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2025,
2 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this _____ day of
3 _____, 2025.

4 _____
5 President _____ of the City Council

6 Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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8 Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

9 Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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11 Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

12 (Seal)

13 Attachments:

- 14 1. City Council Topics for Permanent Legislation to implement State Land Use Regulations

City Council Topics for Permanent Legislation to implement State Land Use Regulations

The City Council understands the long-term importance of permanent legislation to implement Washington State's land use mandates and intends to carefully consider the implications of the legislation on the City's ability to be a welcoming, accessible, affordable, livable and safe city. In pursuit of those goals, the City will consider the following concepts in its review of the Comprehensive Plan and permanent legislation:

1. Supporting measures to reduce displacement pressure, such as:
 - a. Supporting a variety of housing types, to address the needs of households of different sizes, people with different accessibility requirements, and families at different income levels;
 - b. Supporting lot splitting;
 - c. Considering opportunities to support utility connections;
 - d. Incorporating strategies to help protect homeowners from predatory developers; and
 - e. Considering bonuses for community land trusts;
2. Considering whether residential densities should be based on the number of units on a lot or the square footage per unit;
3. Considering whether Accessory Dwelling Units should be counted toward determining the density of development on a lot;
4. Considering consistent and appropriate thresholds for street, alley, driveway, and pedestrian improvements;
5. Clarifying "designated non-disturbance areas in steep slopes" and reviewing density limits and development standards for properties with steep slope critical areas;
6. Considering adjustments to setbacks and amenity area regulations to maximize tree protection and support retention of existing trees during development and support flexibility in design to address neighborhood needs and provide buffers along major thoroughfares;
7. Considering whether to extend the City's Mandatory Housing Affordability program (Chapter 23.58C Seattle Municipal Code) to Neighborhood Residential zones; such consideration would be informed by information, analyses, and policy proposals that are currently being developed for permanent legislation by the Mayor and Council;
8. Supporting a diversity of housing options near public amenities, goods, and services; and
9. Considering the modification of off-street parking requirements to support City goals for neighborhoods accessible by pedestrians, people with disabilities, bicyclists, transit users, and others who do not drive.

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

Department:	Dept. Contact:	CBO Contact:
Office of Planning & Community Development (OPCD)	Brennon Staley/4-4625	Christie Parker/206-684-5211

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; implementing interim controls to comply with various state laws; establishing findings and adopting a workplan for permanent legislation; amending Sections 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.34.011, 23.44.006, 23.44.010, 23.44.011, 23.44.012, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.044, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.518, 23.45.522, 23.45.527, 23.45.529, 23.53.006, 23.53.025, 23.54.015, 23.54.020, 23.54.030, 23.84A.010, 23.84A.025, 23.84A.036, and 25.09.240 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

The primary purpose of this legislation is to implement interim changes to zoning regulations necessary to comply with Washington State House Bill 1110. House Bill 1110 (also known as the “Middle Housing bill”) requires cities to allow a wider variety of housing types such as duplex, triplexes, and stacked flats in primarily single-family zones and places limits on the regulation of middle housing.

This legislation would also implement changes to comply with:

- House Bill 1293 which requires that design standards be “clear and objective”
- Senate Bill 6015 which places limits on requirements for off-street parking
- House Bill 1287 which establishes requirements for electric vehicle charging in new developments

Specifically, this legislation would make the following changes to the existing code:

Changes to Neighborhood Residential (NR) zoning

Below is a summary of the proposed updated development standards for NR zones and how they would compare to the permanent legislation and state’s model code, which would become effective if interim legislation is not adopted.

	Interim legislation
Uses	Multifamily uses are allowed

Density	<p>Four units are allowed per lot except that six units are allowed per lot if within 1/4-mile walking distance of a major transit stop or at least two units on the lot are affordable.</p> <p>ADUs count toward the density limits.</p> <p>Density on lots with Environmentally Critical Areas (ECAs) would be reduced in portion to percentage of lot that contains ECAs</p>
FAR	<p>1 unit on a lot: 0.6</p> <p>2 units on a lot: 0.8</p> <p>3 units on a lot: 1.0</p> <p>4 or more units on a lot: 1.2</p>
Height	32 feet plus pitched roofs
Front setback	10 feet
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Side Setback	5 feet, except 0 feet if the side setback abuts an alley
Garage setback	20 feet
Lot coverage	50 percent

Changes to **Residential Small Lot (RSL)** zoning

- Update density limits in RSL zones to comply with the requirement to allow at least 4 units on all lots and 6 units within ¼ mile of major transit stops or if two units are affordable; similar to NR zones, density on lots with Environmentally Critical Areas (ECAs) would be reduced in portion to the percentage of lot that contains ECAs
- Increase height in RSL zones from 30 feet to 32 feet similar to NR zones
- Increase the floor area ratio (FAR) so it would be equal to the proposed FAR in NR zones on lots with 2 or more units

Changes to **Lowrise (LR)** zoning

- Update density limits in LR1 zones to comply with the requirement to allow at least 4 units on all lots and 6 units within ¼ mile of major transit stops or if two units are affordable; similar to NR zones, density on lots with Environmentally Critical Areas (ECAs) would be reduced in portion to the percentage of lot that contains ECAs
- Increase height in LR1 zones from 30 feet to 32 feet similar to NR zones
- Shift from setbacks that vary by different building types into a single set of setbacks that apply to all projects in order to comply with HB 1110 standards that development standards can't be more strict for middle housing than for single-family residences, as summarized below:
 - Front setback: 7 feet average, 5 feet minimum
 - Rear setback: 7 feet average, 5 feet minimum, except 0 feet if alley

- Side setback: 5 feet
- Shift from maximum structure widths that vary by different building types into single maximum structure width of 90 feet for LR1 and LR2 zones and 150 feet for LR3 in order to comply with HB 1110 standards that development standards for middle housing can't be more strict than for single-family residences
- Remove certain design standards relating to façade articulation and location of windows to comply with the requirement of HB 1293 that design standards must be clear and objective
- Consolidate design standards that vary by housing type into a single set of standards relating to pedestrian pathways and entrances.

Additional changes affecting **multiple zones**

- Remove residential parking requirements for middle housing within ½ mile of major transit stops
- Modify parking space size and tandem parking requirements to comply with SB 6015 as follows:
 - Reduce minimum width of largest required parking space from 8.5 feet to 8 feet
 - Allow tandem parking to count as two spaces
- Modify standards for pedestrian access and circulation and access easements requirements so they are based on number of units rather than type of unit to comply with HB 1110 requirement that development standards for middle housing can't be more strict than for single-family residences
- Exempt middle housing from bike parking requirements to comply with HB 1110 standards that development standards for middle housing can't be more strict than for single-family residences
- Update EV charging requirements to meeting requirements in HB 1287

Amendments:

The Select Committee on the Comprehensive Plan recommended the following amendments which have been incorporated into the legislation:

1. Substitute version of CB 120969 incorporating changes in CB 120949 SDCI ADU State Compliance. This amendment aligns the interim legislation with recently adopted legislation related to accessory dwelling units.
2. Adopt a work program outlining key changes anticipated in permanent legislation. This amendment identifies topics for Council consideration during development and adoption of the permanent legislation including reducing displacement pressure, adjusting setbacks and amenity areas for tree protection, mandatory housing affordability, and more. This amendment was further amended to incorporate language to support retention of existing trees during development.
3. Maintain current single family lot coverage maximums. This amendment adjusted the proposed increase in lot coverage to not apply to single family structures, instead reverting to current lot coverage maximums in the case of single family development.

4. Retain current front yard standards along Queen Anne Blvd. This amendment adjusted the proposed decrease in front yard setback standards for those properties fronting landmarked Queen Anne Boulevard, such that current setback standards apply.
5. Restore minimum floor area for projects on small lots. This amendment reinstated a removed standard allowing a minimum of 2,500 sf of allowed floor area to be developed for small lots where floor area ratios would yield buildable floor areas below that threshold.
6. Clarify and reorganize NR and LR density limits. This amendment restructured the regulations for improved clarity and usability, as well as the following technical amendments:
 - a. Update the date that lots need to be in existence by to June 30, 2025.
 - b. Adjust the threshold for rounding in NR zones to round up if a calculation would result in 0.85 units, rather than 1.0 units.
 - c. Restore language utilizing defined residential housing types to identify density limits, instead of new undefined terms that may have been construed to apply density limits to stacked flats (which are exempt).
7. Request update on applicability of Residential Building Code to middle housing. This amendment asked Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections report to the City Council on changes that the Washington State Building Code Council is exploring related to the types of projects that are reviewed under the Residential Code vs. the more stringent Building code.
8. Adopt yard requirements from model ordinance. This amendment would adjust the proposed yard standard reduction (from 20 feet to 10 feet for front yards, and from 25 feet or 20% of lot depth to 10 feet for rear yards) to instead align with the yard requirements included in the Washington State Department of Commerce's model HB 1110-compliant ordinance. The model code has larger yard requirements for lots with one or two units (15 feet for both front and rear), and a smaller yard requirement in line with the base bill for three or more units (10 feet for both front and rear). Yard requirements adjacent to alleys remain unchanged (no rear yard requirement).

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? ☒ Yes ☐ No

This legislation will not have any direct impacts to expenditures, revenues, or positions. However, it would have the following indirect impacts:

Tax Base

The legislation is likely to slightly increase the construction of housing in Neighborhood Residential zones. Increased housing construction would bring in additional tax revenue directly

through increased construction sales tax and REET tax and indirectly through an increase in property taxes and the number of residents in Seattle.

Permit Review

This legislation is likely to increase the number of permits for housing that the City has to review but would also make changes to simplify the existing code. Increased permit review would be paid for by the permit fees on the additional volume of permits.

Information Technology, Education, & Outreach

Implementation of this legislation will require updating of zoning maps, GIS layers, websites, director's rules, and other public materials as well as minor changes to the software tracking tools such as Accela to account for new zone names. It is expected that this work will be accomplished using existing staff resources. Technology update costs would be paid by SDCI from existing permit fees through an existing MOU with IT. Material update costs outlined in the memo would be paid for by SDCI permit fees.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Please describe how this legislation may affect any departments besides the originating department.

Fiscal impacts, described herein, are primarily on permitting departments including the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI), Department of Transportation (DOT), Seattle Public Utilities, (SPU), Seattle City Light (SCL), Seattle Fire Department (SFD), and the Department of Neighborhoods (DON).

b. Does this legislation affect a piece of property? If yes, please attach a map and explain any impacts on the property. Please attach any Environmental Impact Statements, Determinations of Non-Significance, or other reports generated for this property.

The legislation will apply to Neighborhood Residential Zones throughout Seattle. Neighborhood Residential zones represent about 2/3rds of Seattle. It would also have minor impacts on development regulations in other residential zones.

c. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.

This legislation would help address multiple equity issues by:

- reducing the cost of housing by increasing the supply of housing in order to address the competition for housing which is driving price increases
- allow for more home ownership opportunities in parts of Seattle where only detached homes and accessory dwelling units are currently allowed

- implement an affordable housing bonus in NR zones to support the development of this type of housing in areas where affordable housing is lacking.
- ii. **Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.** No racial equity analyses were conducted for the interim legislation, but a racial equity toolkit was conducted for permanent legislation which is planned to replace this legislation.
- iii. **What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**
None.

d. Climate Change Implications

- i. **Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**
This legislation will tend to encourage housing within Seattle compared to areas outside of Seattle. Consequently, it will help to reduce carbon emissions from transportation by locating new households in areas of transit, employment, and amenities.
 - ii. **Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**
This legislation is not expected to substantially affect Seattle's resiliency.
- e. **If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**
This legislation would allow the City to temporarily comply with state legislation. Permanent legislation to implement the One Seattle Plan will follow later this year.

5. CHECKLIST

Please click the appropriate box if any of these questions apply to this legislation.

- ☒ Is a public hearing required?
- ☒ Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required?
- ☐ If this legislation changes spending and/or revenues for a fund, have you reviewed the relevant fund policies and determined that this legislation complies?
- ☐ Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?

6. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments:

Director's Report

One Seattle Plan Zoning Update

Interim State Zoning Compliance Legislation Summary

March 26, 2025

Overview

The primary purpose of this legislation is to implement interim changes to zoning regulations necessary to comply with Washington State House Bill 1110. House Bill 1110 (also known as the “Middle Housing bill”) requires cities to allow a wider variety of housing types such as duplex, triplexes, and stacked flats in primarily single-family zones and places limits on the regulation of middle housing.

This legislation would also implement changes to comply with:

- House Bill 1293 which requires that design standards be “clear and objective”
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Background

The Washington State Legislature has adopted numerous bills in recent sessions to support the production of housing and other objectives. Below is a brief summary of the bills that are relevant to this legislation.

HB 1110 (Middle Housing)

[HB 1110](#) requires cities throughout Washington state to allow a wider variety of housing in predominantly single-family zones. Minor changes to the language in HB 1110 were passed the following year as [HB 2321](#). Under these pieces of legislation, the following changes are required:

- Cities must allow in all residentially zoned areas six of nine types of housing (duplex, triplex, fourplex, fiveplex, sixplex, courtyard apartments, cottage housing, townhouses, stacked flats)
- Cities must allow in all residential areas four dwelling units per lot or six units per lot if within 1/4-mile walking distance of a major transit stop or at least two units on the lot are affordable; lots with ECAs may be partially exempted from this requirement
- Cities must allow unit lot subdivision, which facilitates fee-simple ownership of attached dwelling units
- Design review for middle housing may only be administrative
- Cities must not have any standards for middle housing that are more restrictive than those required for detached single-family residences
- Cities must apply to middle housing the same development permit and environmental review processes that apply to detached single-family residences

- Cities must not require off-street parking as a condition of middle housing within one-half mile walking distance of a major transit stop
- Cities must not require more than one off-street parking space per unit as a condition of middle housing on lots smaller than 6,000 square feet

Cities are required to adopt changes to development standards to meet these requirements by June 30, 2025. If they do not meet this timeline, a state-developed “model ordinance” will supersede non-compliant local regulations. The state requirements include both requirements that are clearly defined (like the number of units required to be allowed) and others that are open to interpretation (such as the requirement that standards for middle housing may not be more restrictive than those required for detached single-family residences). Consequently, the model ordinance contains specific standards for height, floor area, setbacks, and other standards as well as less well defined guidance that certain types of standards would be invalid. Without interim legislation, it would be very difficult to review projects against the model ordinance and it is likely that the City would have to defend against lawsuits over our interpretation of the model ordinance.

House Bill 1293 (Clear and objective design standards)

[HB 1293](#) requires that cities may only have “clear and objective” design standards and places limits on design review processes. In Seattle, design standards occur in two places:

1. The City implements a design review program in which city staff or design review boards reviews larger projects against adopted design guidelines.
2. The Land Use code has design standards that apply to projects that don't go through design review.

The design review process, including the design guidelines, is proposed to be updated through a separate piece of legislation. This interim legislation would address changes to design standards in SMC 23.45.529. The deadline for compliance with these requirements is June 30, 2025.

Senate Bill 6015 (off-street parking)

[SB 6015](#) requires cities to implement a variety of changes around off-street parking. Seattle's existing code is already compliant with most of these provisions; however, this law would require us to:

1. Reduce the minimum width of largest required parking space from 8.5 feet to 8 feet
2. Allow tandem parking to count as two spaces

This bill was adopted in March of 2024 and the provisions when into effect at that time.

House Bill 1287 (electric vehicle charging)

[HB 1287](#) increases the portion of parking spaces in new development that must be “EV-ready.” EV-ready means that an electric service that is terminated at a junction box or receptacle outlet is provided in close proximity to a parking space. This level of infrastructure would allow a charger to be installed without laying new electrical lines or reopening the wall. Changes to meet this requirement were already made to Seattle's Electrical Code, but changes to the Land Use Code are also required to implement this law. This bill became effective July 1, 2024.

Approach to Legislation

This legislation only modifies standards that are addressed in the state's Model Ordinance or that are required to be updated to comply with state law. Where the State's Model Ordinance and proposed permanent legislation are generally similar, the legislation would implement the specific standards proposed in the draft permanent legislation.

The legislation also includes sections that are necessary for interim legislation including findings, the length of time the interim legislation would be in effect, and a workplan for preparing permanent legislation.

Summary of Legislation

This legislation would make the following changes to the existing code:

Changes to **Neighborhood Residential (NR)** zoning

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	Interim legislation	Permanent legislation	State Model Ordinance
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FAR	<p>1 unit on a lot: 0.6</p> <p>2 units on a lot: 0.8</p> <p>3 units on a lot: 1.0</p> <p>4 or more units on a lot: 1.2</p>	Same as interim	<p>1 unit on a lot: 0.6</p> <p>2 units on a lot: 0.8</p> <p>3 units on a lot: 1.0</p> <p>4 units on a lot: 1.2</p> <p>5 units on a lot: 1.4</p> <p>6 units on a lot: 1.6</p>
Height	32 feet plus pitched roofs	Same as interim	35 feet plus pitched roofs.

Front setback	10 feet	Same as interim	15 feet, except 10 feet for lots with a unit density of three or more.
Rear setback	10 feet, except 0 feet if the rear setback abuts an alley	Same as interim	15 feet, except 10 feet for lots with a unit density of three or more and 0 feet if the rear setback abuts an alley
Side Setback	5 feet, except 0 feet if the side setback abuts an alley	Same as interim	5 feet
Garage setback	20 feet	Same as interim	Same as interim
Lot coverage	50 percent	Same as interim	55 percent for lots with 6 units 50 percent for lots with 4 or 5 units 45 percent for lots 3 or less units

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- Update density limits in RSL zones to comply with the requirement to allow at least 4 units on all lots and 6 units within ¼ mile of major transit stops or if two units are affordable; similar to NR zones, density on lots with Environmentally Critical Areas (ECAs) would be reduced in portion to the percentage of lot that contains ECAs
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Topics Not Included in Interim Legislation

In addition to complying with state law, the permanent legislation would implement a broad range of changes to improve the clarify and predictability of the code, encourage better design outcomes, and address other city goals. Below is a list of topics that are proposed to be addressed by the permanent legislation but are not included in the interim legislation:

- | | |
|---|---|
| • Consolidation of NR zones | • Parking location and screening |
| • Rezones from NR to RSL | • Parking requirements outside of major transit areas |
| • Bonuses for stacked flats and low-income housing | • Facade length |
| • Corner store allowance | • New design standards |
| • Amenity Area | • Institutions |
| • Building separation requirements | • Essential public facilities |
| • Accessory dwelling units | • Adult family homes |
| • Tree planting requirements and tree preservation incentives | • Numerous edits to improve clarity and accuracy |
| • Allowances for stormwater features | |



Legislation Text

File #: Res 32168, **Version:** 1

CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION reaffirming The City of Seattle as a Welcoming City; and committing to maintaining policies that support all Seattle residents regardless of ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, religion, or immigration status.

WHEREAS, Seattle fosters a culture and environment that makes it a vibrant, global city where immigrant and refugee residents can fully participate in and be integrated into the social, civic, and economic fabric of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, nearly one in five Seattle residents is foreign born and 140 languages are spoken in Seattle's public schools; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is the country's eighth largest refugee-receiving state and a majority of the estimated 6,000 new arrivals each year are resettled in Seattle-King County; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is home to immigrants and refugees of diverse backgrounds, cultures, and faiths -including an estimated 100,000 Muslim residents-who contribute to the social, cultural, and economic fabric of the state, and call cities like Seattle home as neighbors, colleagues, and community members; and

WHEREAS, immigrants and refugees in Seattle contribute significantly to the local economy, with immigrant-owned businesses in Washington State generating over \$2.3 billion in annual revenue and creating thousands of jobs; and

WHEREAS, more than 13,000 undocumented youth in Washington State are the recipients of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program and they deserve an opportunity to have a bright future and to

contribute their time and talent to make Seattle a city of innovation and growth; and

WHEREAS, City employees serve all residents and make City services accessible to all, regardless of immigration status, and City agencies and law enforcement cannot withhold services based on ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, immigration status, or religion; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle has previously adopted Resolution 30355 in 2001, honoring Seattle's immigrant community, and Resolution 30796 in 2005, relating to development of an action plan to identify and address issues facing Seattle's immigrant communities; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Resolution 30851 in 2006, Resolution 31193 in 2010, and Resolution 31490 in 2013 supporting Federal Comprehensive Immigration Reform and fostering family unity with a pathway to citizenship for the undocumented, including students who arrived in the U.S. as children; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle enacted Ordinance 123822 in 2012 to create an Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs and renaming the Immigrant and Refugee Advisory Board to the Immigrant and Refugee Commission; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Ordinance 121063 in 2003 to establish policies of the Seattle Police Department to protect immigrants' access to police protection and public services regardless of immigration status, subsequently reaffirmed by Resolution 30672 in 2004 and Resolution 31730 in 2017; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Resolution 31724 in 2016 reaffirming Seattle's values of inclusion, respect, and justice, and the City's commitment toward actions to reinforce these values; and calling on President Donald Trump to condemn recent attacks and hate speech that perpetuate religious persecution, racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, and xenophobia; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Washington State Legislature passed the Keep Washington Working Act with

bipartisan support, restricting the extent to which local law enforcement agencies may participate in the enforcement of federal immigration laws; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the Washington State Legislature passed the Courts Open to All Act, which prohibited judges, court staff, prosecutors, prosecutor's office staff, and court security personnel from inquiring into or collecting information about an individual's immigration or citizenship status or place of birth, and from disclosing nonpublic personal information to immigration authorities, except as required by law, among other protections for immigrants and refugees interacting with the court system; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2025, the Mayor issued a Directive that directs department directors to conduct an internal review of their policies, practices, and materials to confirm that they are updated to maintain consistency with applicable law related to federal immigration enforcement, requires all requests from federal immigration enforcement agencies be directed to the Mayor's Office, and requires identified department staff to participate in train-the-trainer activities led by the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2025, the Mayor issued an Executive Order to improve accessibility of information by requiring the creation of the Seattle's first plain language plan and new approaches to make information and services more accessible to everyone, including people with disabilities and those with limited English proficiency; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2025, the Seattle City Council Select Committee on Federal Administration and Policy Changes heard from representatives of vulnerable communities most impacted by federal administration policy changes, who consistently requested that The City of Seattle maintain funding for programs and policies that support immigrants and refugees, low-wage workers, communities at risk of displacement, and continued investments and policies that support women- and minority-owned business enterprises, the LGBTQ business community, and community wealth-building strategies; and

WHEREAS, community-based organizations report strong concerns of increasing criminalization of

immigrants, expanded deportation efforts and expedited removal, and threats of mass deportation, potentially in violation of the Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, targeted on the basis of race or ethnicity in violation of the Equal Protection Clause, or denied due process rights based on immigration status; and

WHEREAS, Seattle benefits tremendously from the large number of diverse immigrants and refugees who contribute to the development of a culturally and economically diverse and enriched community; and

WHEREAS, the level of anti-immigrant and anti-refugee rhetoric during the 2024 presidential campaign, racist hate speech toward immigrant and refugee communities, and anti-immigrant and anti-refugee policies proposed by the current federal administration is alarming; and

WHEREAS, research consistently shows that sanctuary counties have lower crime rates than non-sanctuary counties and contribute positively to economic growth, cultural diversity, and community vitality; and

WHEREAS, Seattle is committed to continue building a welcoming, safe, and hate-free environment in communities, where all immigrants and refugees are welcomed, accepted, and integrated; and to encourage business leaders, civic groups, community institutions, and residents to join in a community-wide effort to adopt policies and practices that promote integration, inclusion, and equity; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE THAT:

Section 1. The Seattle City Council (“Council”) reaffirms its commitment to welcoming and actively supporting immigrants and refugees from all nationalities, religions, and backgrounds with policies programs, and dedicated resources that foster inclusion, meaningful participation, and economic opportunity for all.

Section 2. The Council reaffirms City policy that City employees will continue to serve all residents and make City services accessible to all residents, regardless of immigration status. City policy further states that: the City will not withhold services on the basis of ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, religion, or immigration status;

and City employees will not require any person seeking or accessing City programs or services to disclose their immigration status. The Council requests that City departments develop and maintain regular training programs for all employees on immigrant rights, cultural responsiveness, and language access requirements, and continue to designate at least one staff member to serve as a language access liaison, responsible for advancing departmental compliance with these policies.

Section 3. The Council affirms City policy that the City will not cooperate or assist with any registration or surveillance programs or any other rules or policies that are inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States and targeted at immigrants and refugees, and rejects any attempts to characterize family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues as enemies of the state.

Section 4. The Council reaffirms City policy stating that City officials will abide by state law prohibiting local law enforcement agencies from entering into any contract, agreement, or arrangement that would grant an officer authority for federal civil immigration enforcement. As such, the City will reject any offer from the federal government to enter into a Section 287(g) agreement per the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.). The Council further recognizes and reaffirms City policy that the City will not honor detainer requests from federal civil immigration enforcement agencies without a judicial warrant, will not allow federal civil immigration agents to access non-public areas of City facilities without a judicial warrant, and will not share information with federal immigration authorities except as expressly required by federal or state law. The Council requests that City departments implement regular training for law enforcement officers and all City staff on these policies. The Council further reaffirms its position that the Seattle Police Department should be focused on the safety and security of all Seattle residents regardless of immigration status and refuses to allow its police officers to be compelled into service as de facto immigration officers.

Section 5. The Council requests that the City Attorney's Office continue to take all necessary measures to comply with the Courts Open to All Act and other relevant state law. The Council further requests that the City Attorney's Office implement policies that endeavor to prevent unjust immigration consequences for

immigrants and refugees at all stages of the criminal legal process, and take into consideration whether noncitizen residents may face harsher punishments than U.S. citizens solely due to their immigration status. The Council requests that the City Attorney's Office further develop specialized capacity in immigration law and procedures.

Section 6. The Council requests that all City facilities post signage clearly designating areas that are not open to the public to assist City employees in implementing the Mayor's Directive, dated January 10, 2025 ("Mayor's Directive"), that directs employees to refer requests to the Mayor's Office when Immigration and Customs Enforcement or other federal authorities related to immigration enforcement request access to non-public areas in City buildings and venues. The Council further requests that all City departments fully comply with the Mayor's Directive, and assess on an annual basis that all policies and protocols are still aligned with this directive.

Section 7. The Council supports the City in using all legal avenues at its disposal to resist any efforts to impose on the City any immigration, spending, or funding policy that violates the Constitution and laws of the United States. The Council supports the City Attorney's Office's establishment of a team that monitors federal actions that may target immigrant communities and to prepare legal strategies in response. The Council shall consider allocating additional resources to support this critical work.

Section 8. In balancing the City's budget, the Council commits to minimizing adverse impacts to investments for the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs (OIRA), including but not limited to: deportation defense, rapid response efforts coordinated with King County and Washington State agencies, citizenship programs, English language learning and workforce development programs, as well as know your rights trainings for City staff, contracted community organizations, and immigrants and refugees. In balancing the City's budget, the Council commits to minimizing adverse impacts to investments and/or policies to support language access, ensuring that City services reach all communities. The Council commits to drafting and considering an amendment to the 2025 Adopted Budget that would add at least \$300,000 to OIRA to respond to

emerging needs as unwarranted and inhumane immigration enforcement continues to escalate.

Section 9. The Council commits to supporting the City's diverse business community and to balancing the City's budget in a way that minimizes harm to women- and minority-owned business enterprises, the LGBTQ business community, and the Office of Economic Development's community wealth building strategies. The Council requests that the Office of Economic Development continue to promote and consider expanding outreach for existing programs within the City, region, and Washington State that provide targeted technical assistance, access to capital, language-appropriate business development resources, and protection from exploitation. The Council further requests that City investments supporting the City's diverse business community continue to include, but not be limited to, cultural- and language-specific outreach strategies for immigrant entrepreneurs in underserved neighborhoods.

Section 10. The Council commits to continuing to support robust anti-displacement investments and policies that help maintain Seattle as a place where all residents can thrive regardless of their ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, religion, or immigration status. In balancing the City's budget, the Council commits to minimizing adverse impacts to the Equitable Development Initiative, the One Seattle Comprehensive Plan, and the Office of Housing's JumpStart Payroll Expense Tax Community Self-Determination Fund and other affordable housing programs.

Section 11. The Council is proud to support robust labor standards for low-wage workers, as a nationwide leader in protecting workers' rights. In balancing the City's budget, the Council is committed to supporting investments in the Office of Labor Standards (OLS) and minimizing harm to Seattle's most vulnerable workers, as well as the City's high-road employers and hiring entities. The Council condemns employers and hiring entities that threaten to retaliate against workers based on their real or perceived immigration status. Similar to all City agencies as discussed in Section 2 of this resolution, the Council understands that OLS will offer its services to all people regardless of their immigration status and will take all

legally allowable actions to keep information private in rendering its services. These services include investigating potential violations of labor standards, providing outreach and education on labor standards, and providing resources and referrals. The Council requests that OLS continue to maintain specialized outreach materials in multiple languages explaining workers' rights regardless of immigration status and explicitly addressing the prohibition on immigration-based retaliation. The Council further requests that OLS continue to provide confidential reporting processes specifically designed to protect vulnerable immigrant workers from exploitation and partner with trusted community organizations to conduct targeted outreach to immigrant workers. The Council particularly recognizes the importance of continuing funding community and business organizations to provide outreach and assistance with labor standards, for those workers and businesses that do not feel comfortable contacting OLS directly about their rights and obligations.

Section 12. The Council shall support the efforts of elected officials and staff in local jurisdictions throughout Washington State in developing policies protecting immigrants, refugees, LGBTQ people, women, and other populations whose rights may be abrogated and interests harmed by those who would unconstitutionally and illegally misuse the power of the federal government to do so.

Section 13. The Council requests that OIRA consult with community-based organizations contracted by the City to provide services to immigrant and refugee communities, as well as with the Immigrant and Refugee Commission, in order to provide the Mayor and Council with an annual update evaluating the City's progress in implementing the requests outlined in this resolution, as well as any other relevant policies and programs that protect immigrants and refugees. The Council requests that OIRA provide an initial update no later than September 15, 2025.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2025, and signed by
me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2025.

President _____ of the City Council

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

Department:	Dept. Contact:	CBO Contact:
LEG	Marwaha / 206.635.8941	N/A

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: A RESOLUTION reaffirming The City of Seattle as a Welcoming City; and committing to maintaining policies that support all Seattle residents regardless of ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, religion, or immigration status.

Summary and Background of the Legislation: This legislation affirms that the City of Seattle welcomes and values all of its residents, including immigrants and refugees, ethnic minorities, religious minorities, women and girls, and LGBTQ people. The legislation shows how the City will demonstrate its commitment to protecting the rights and liberties of its residents and providing all with access to the City services, including by minimizing adverse impacts, while balancing the City's budget, for departments and programs that support immigrants and refugees, diverse business communities, anti-displacement strategies, and worker rights.

The legislation reaffirms City policy that City employees will not require any person seeking or accessing City programs or services to disclose their immigration status.

The legislation also requests that all City facilities post signage clearly designating areas that are not open to the public, in order to assist City employees in implementing the Mayor's Directive Regarding Federal Immigration Enforcement, dated January 10, 2025, which directs employees to refer requests to the Mayor's Office when Immigration and Customs Enforcement or other federal authorities related to immigration enforcement request access non-public areas in City buildings and venues.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please fill out the table below and attach a new (if creating a project) or marked-up (if amending) CIP Page to the Council Bill.
Please include the spending plan as part of the attached CIP Page. If no, please delete the table.

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If there are no projected changes to expenditures, revenues, or positions, please delete the table below.

If there are no changes to expenditures, revenues, or positions, please delete Sections 3.a, 3.b, and 3.c and answer the questions in Section 4.

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

The legislation requests some City departments to work with community to develop signage. There may be some relatively minor costs to creating that signage, but the specific costs depend on the type and location of signage.

The legislation also commits that the City Council will draft an amendment to the 2025 Adopted Budget, which would propose allocating an additional \$300,000 to the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs. This resolution would not directly allocate the funding, nor have direct financial impacts from this commitment.

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.
There is no direct financial cost of not implementing the legislation.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Please describe how this legislation may affect any departments besides the originating department.**

The legislation commits to minimizing adverse impacts, while balancing the City's budget, for the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs (OIRA) and the Office of Labor Standards, as well as for investments and policies to support the City's diverse business community and anti-displacement strategies. The legislation also requests some City departments to develop signage.

- b. Does this legislation affect a piece of property? If yes, please attach a map and explain any impacts on the property. Please attach any Environmental Impact Statements, Determinations of Non-Significance, or other reports generated for this property.**
N/A

c. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

- i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.**

This resolution promotes policies, programs, and investments across City departments to protect the rights of historically disadvantaged and vulnerable communities, including but not limited to immigrants and refugees, people of color, LGBTQ people, women and girls, and religious minorities. Further, City employees are to provide services for all of Seattle's residents regardless of ancestry, race, ethnicity, national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, physical or mental disability, immigration status or religion.

- ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**

- iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**

The legislation provides direction and requests for City departments, and does not directly impact communications to the public. Departments that are implementing the Welcoming City policies reaffirmed by the resolution are undergoing training by OIRA and should already have language access plans associated with their department.

d. Climate Change Implications

- i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

N/A

- ii. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

N/A

- e. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

N/A

5. CHECKLIST

Please click the appropriate box if any of these questions apply to this legislation.

- ☐ **Is a public hearing required?**

- ☐ **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required?**
- ☐ **If this legislation changes spending and/or revenues for a fund, have you reviewed the relevant fund policies and determined that this legislation complies?**
- ☐ **Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**
If yes, please review requirements in Resolution 31203 for applicability and complete and attach “Additional risk analysis and fiscal analysis for non-utility partner projects” form.

6. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments:

N/A