City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Lydia Felty							
Board/Commission Name:		Position Title:					
Seattle Renters' Commission	Member						
	City Council Confirmation required?						
Appointment <i>OR</i> 🔀 Reappointment	🔀 Yes						
	No No						
Appointing Authority:	Term of Position: *						
City Council	Term begin: 3/1/2025						
Mayor	to						
Other	Term end: 2/28/2027						
	Serving remail	remaining term of a vacant position					
Residential Neighborhood:	Zip Code:	Contact Phone No.:					
Capitol Hill	98102						

Background:

Lydia Felty is a resident of Capitol Hill. Originally from Ohio, she holds a B.A. in American Studies and English and worked as an educator before landing in the nonprofit sector. She now works with small downtowns across the state as they focus on the continued care of their space and community through place stewardship, historic preservation, and small business support.

Authorizing Signature (original signature):	Appointing Signatory:				
	Bruce A. Harrell				
	Mayor of Seattle				
Drucell. Hornell					
Date Signed (appointed): July 10 th , 2025					

LYDIA FELTY

she/her

EDUCATION

KENYON COLLEGE '17 Gambier, Ohio B.A. in English and American Studies, *magna cum laude*.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD MANSFIELD COLLEGE '16 Oxford, United Kingdom Studied English and history during a full-year abroad.

SKILLS

Research, writing, editing, event planning and management, project and database management, public speaking, curriculum design, cultural competency

I CARE ABOUT

Equity, belonging, & justice for the wellbeing of our society

Education for all ages through strong schools,, libraries, community programs, and the arts

Community development to ensure that everyone has the resources and support they need

Humor & gratitude as a way to connect with others and navigate the joys and hardships of life

VOLUNTEER WORK

Santa Ynez Valley Friends of the Library, Mansfield College Alumni Association, Sister District Project, Fair Fight

EXPERIENCE

RESOURCES COORDINATOR

Washington Trust for Historic Preservation | Seattle | Sept. 2021 – Present As a member of the Washington Main Street team, I coordinate virtual and in-person learning events about community development, economic development, downtown placemaking, and nonprofit management; research, write, and curate online guides and toolkits to share ideas and best practices with placemaking practitioners around the state; and manage the Main Street Tax Credit Incentive Program with the Department of Revenue.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANT

Northwest Outward Bound School | Remote | July 2021 - Present

In a part-time capacity, I develop communications strategies to support student enrollment and development activities and, in partnership with the Student Support and Development teams, I manage social media, website edits, and design requests, including building out systems to increase effectiveness and consistency.

ADMISSIONS ASSOCIATE

Midland School | Los Olivos, California | July 2020 - Present

I partnered with the Director of Admission in growing Midland's enrollment, including increasing application numbers by 25%; coordinated outreach efforts with prospective families and middle schools; planned and developed all-new virtual admission events; coordinated marketing materials; and maintained the school website, including managing and executing a redesign.

ENGLISH MENTOR AND CITY AS CAMPUS DIRECTOR

Quest Forward Academy | Santa Rosa, California | July 2019 – July 2020 I taught creative, skills-forward, project-based English classes, as well as semester-long and two-week-long elective courses. As the City as Campus Program Director, I led our team in planning and executing trips around the greater Bay Area and bringing interesting and relevant speakers to campus.

OUTREACH TEACHER AND COORDINATOR

The Island School | Eleuthera, The Bahamas | Aug. 2017 – July 2019

I taught an interdisciplinary, project-based research course on the effectiveness of tutoring. I also led students' outreach work, including teaching students about culture and service, coordinating their work with the local primary school, and managing our faculty as they supported our outreach work. As a member of the Literature & Writing team in the 2017–18 academic year, I taught Caribbean literature and creative and analytical writing. Both years, I also served as a coach, advisor, and residential duty faculty.

Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125280, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms

Appointing Authority for SRC Member Positions

- 6 City Council-appointed (Positions 1 through 6)
- 7 Mayor-appointed (Positions 7 through 12 and Position 15)
- 2 Commission-appointed (Positions 13 and 14)

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By	
6	F	4	1.	Member	Liz Fite	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council	
3	F	3	2.	Member	Julissa Sanchez	ilissa Sanchez 3/1/25 2/28/2		2	Council	
6	FT	5	3.	Member	Adora Blue	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council	
6	F	2	4.	Member	Kate Rubin	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Council	
6	F	5	5.	Member	Sally M. Kinney	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council	
6	М	4	6.	Member	Allan Francis	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Council	
6	М	3	7.	Member	Sam Wolfson	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
6	F	3	8.	Member	Lydia Felty	3/1/25	2/28/27 2		Mayor	
2	F	5	9.	Member	E. Mandisa Subira	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
		2	10.	Member	Kasey Burton	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
9	F	3	11.	Member	Angela O'Brien	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
3	М	3	12.	Member	Daniel E. Lugo	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
2	М	2	13.	Member	Andrew Ashiofu	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Commission	
6	F	2	14.	Member	Karen Taylor	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Commission	
			15.	Get Engaged Member	Agni Bhattacharya	9/1/25	8/31/26	1	Mayor	

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Male	Female	Transgender/ Non-Binary	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multi- racial
Mayor	2	3				1	1			1			1
Council	1	5	1				1		1	5			
Other	1	1				1				1			
Total	4	8	1			2	2		1	7			1

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Please Note: Information in this table may not accurately reflect the number of commissioners and/or demographics on the commission due to missing information and multiple selections.

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

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

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.