



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Public Safety Committee

Agenda

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

9:30 AM

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

Robert Kettle, Chair
Rob Saka, Vice-Chair
Joy Hollingsworth, Member
Debora Juarez, Member
Sara Nelson, Member

Chair Info: 206-684-8807; Robert.Kettle@seattle.gov

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Committee Website:

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

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Please Note: Times listed are estimated

A. Call To Order

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

D. Items of Business

1. [Appt 03378](#) **Reappointment of Richard Greene as member, Public Safety Civil Service Commission, for a term to December 31, 2028.**

Supporting Documents: [Appointment Packet](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote (10 minutes)

Presenter: Chair Kettle

2. **Seattle Police Department End of Year Data Review**

Briefing and Discussion (45 minutes)

Presenter: Dr. Lee Hunt, Executive Director of Crime and Community Harm Reduction, Seattle Police Department

E. Adjournment



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Reappointment of Richard Greene as member, Public Safety Civil Service Commission, 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>Richard Greene</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Public Safety Civil Service Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Commissioner</i>
<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:		Term of Position: * 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2028 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Seattle, WA</i>	Zip Code: <i>98102</i>	Contact Phone No.: <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em;"></div>
Background: <i>Richard Greene holds a J.D./law degree from the University of Washington. Prior to his retirement, he served as a prosecutor with the Seattle City Attorney's Office for 33 years, presenting briefs and oral arguments in Municipal Court and appellate courts, writing ordinances, and performing legal research. He previously served as staff attorney for the Associated Counsel of the Accused, representing indigent persons in Juvenile, District and Municipal Courts. He also served as Law Clerk to a State Court of Appeals judge, performing legal research and assisting in writing opinions.</i> <i>Since his 2023 appointment, Richard Greene has overseen the growth and realignment of the Civil Service Department to respond to the City's emerging public safety staffing needs. During his tenure, the Civil Service Department has reorganized to increase its capacity to support police applicants through the testing process, transmit bi-weekly registers of eligible applicants to the Police Department, move from a biannual to annual firefighter testing cycle, and support a lateral paramedic firefighting exam, all in addition to the regular work of promotional exams and other functions of operating a quasi-judicial body. Richard Greene served as Chair on the Public Safety Civil Service Commission in 2024 and 2025.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): <i>24 Nov 2025</i>		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bob Kettle</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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

RICHARD GREENE



EDUCATION

<i>Legal</i>	J.D., University of Washington, Seattle, WA; June, 1983; GPA 3.39/4.0 (top 30%)
<i>Undergraduate</i>	B.A., Washburn University, Topeka, KS; May, 1979; GPA 3.97/4.0; Majors: Mathematics, Political Science

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1990 - 2022	<i>Assistant City Attorney</i> , Seattle Law Department. Wrote briefs and presented oral argument in appellate courts and Municipal Court, wrote ordinances, wrote jury instructions and performed legal research.
1988 - 1990	<i>Staff Attorney</i> , Associated Counsel for the Accused. Represented indigent persons in Juvenile, District and Municipal Courts.
1984 - 1988	<i>Law Clerk</i> to the Honorable Ward Williams, Washington State Court of Appeals, Division 1. Performed legal research and assisted Judge in writing opinions.
1983 - 1984	<i>Special Deputy</i> , King County Prosecuting Attorney. Tried misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor cases in District Courts.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Trinity Episcopal Parish Treasurer
Guild Dance Treasurer
Tudor Choir Treasurer

Public Safety Civil Service Commission

3 Members: Pursuant to Seattle Municipal Code 4.08.040; 1 member subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 1 Mayor- appointed
- 1 City Council – appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority: Employee Elected

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	m	n/a	1.	Commissioner	Richard Greene	01/01/26	12/31/28	2	City Council
6	m	n/a	2.	Commissioner	Thomas Applegate	01/01/24	12/31/26	1	Employee Elected
2	f	n/a	3.	Commissioner	Queniya Lassiter	01/01/25	12/31/27	1	Mayor

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	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor		1				1							
Council	1									1			
Other	1									1			
Total	2	1				1				2			

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.



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Seattle Police Department End of Year Data Review