

# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Gina Cristina Sima								
Board/Commission Name: City Light Review Panel		Position Title:  Position 8 - At-Large Customer  Representative						
Appointment OR Reappointment	City Council Confirmation required?  Yes No							
□ City Council     □ Mayor     □ Other: Fill in appointing authority	Term of Position: * 4/12/2024 to 4/11/2027  X Serving remaining term of a vacant position							
The state of the s	Zip Code: 98102							
Background: Gina brings extensive experience in e-commerce and business strategy, managing a \$190 million portfolio at Amazon and helping thousands of small and medium-sized businesses grow through brand development and support. Her background in consulting and financial analysis has strengthened her skills in strategy, collaboration, and problem-solving. With a genuine interest in sustainability and community engagement, she is eager to contribute her expertise and perspective as Position 8 - At-Large Customer Representative on the Seattle City Light Review Panel.								
Authorizing Signature (original signature):	Appointing Signatory: Alexis Mercedes Rinck Councilmember- Position 8							
Date Signed (appointed):	Councilmem	ber- Position 8						

<sup>\*</sup>Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

### **GINA CRISTINA SIMA**

#### **SUMMARY**

Results-oriented business strategist with extensive experience in e-commerce and category management, skilled in forecasting, long-term planning, financial modeling, and cross-functional collaboration. Proven track record in driving significant revenue growth, optimizing profitability, and implementing scalable processes. Adept at leveraging data-driven insights to influence strategic decisions and deliver impactful business outcomes.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

AMAZON.COM Seattle, WA

#### E-Commerce Sr. Category Manager, 05/2024 – Present

- Manage \$190M P&L consisting of consumables private brands products and leverage variance to forecasts to optimize profitability while driving growth
- Conduct comprehensive analysis and variance tracking to drive continuous P&L improvement and strategic decision-making
- Spearheaded new supplier strategy, resulting in +500 bps in subcategory profitability

#### E-Commerce Brand Accelerator Sr. Manager, 07/2021 - Present

- Delivered \$1.65B in merchandise value in 2023 (+35% YoY) from 1,700+ brands in the Amazon brand accelerator program
- Led accelerator program's 2023 Prime Day promotional and marketing strategy, delivering \$69.5M in sales (+40% YoY)
- Developed GTM strategies for 10 seller benefits, raising 2023 seller satisfaction rate to 83.8% (+650 bps YoY) and driving growth
- Collaborated with stakeholders to design and launch a new seller-facing UX feature, now the program's most utilized feature
- Streamlined program reporting, reducing manual work by 30% and improving cross-functional collaboration with automation
- Scaled program with yearly graduation and exit strategies, impacting 425 brands, leading to \$122M gross value over 12 months. E-Commerce Senior Category Manager, 08/2019 06/2021
- Managed Pets portfolio P&L, delivering \$167M in 2020 revenue, exceeding profitability by +327bps and securing 22% growth
- Owned relationship with Pets vendors; exceeding 2021 negotiation vendor goal by \$1M and securing \$1.3M in negotiations wins
- Provided feedback to leadership on associate wellbeing and provided process-oriented solutions on areas of interest
- Led launch, onboarding, and management of specialty Pets consumables brands portfolio, delivering \$100M topline in 2020
- Standardized team data analytics and reporting, leading to 10 FTE hours in weekly time savings

#### E-Commerce Senior Marketing Manager Intern, 06/2018 – 08/2018

- Conducted feasibility model for monthly subscription service providing consumables Pets products
- Improved mobile engagement by +350bps via A/B testing of marketing templates, enhancing customer experience across devices

#### WATER STREET PARTNERS – management consulting firm focused on joint ventures and partnerships

Washington, DC

#### Sales and Client Services Associate Director, 01/2015 - 07/2017

- Managed 30+ accounts at C-suite level, contributing \$2.7M in 2016, over 30% of the company's total revenue
- Created customized onboarding work delivery plans, driving an 8% improvement in client retention
- Owned hiring, onboarding, coaching, and managing 6-person sales team to improve client acquisition and retention
- Developed lead assessment process across sales team, improving qualified lead conversion by 20%
- Organized programmatic pieces of Water Street services, leading to 12% improvement in subscription client retention Sales and Client Services Associate, 03/2012 12/2014
- Awarded firm's first Employee Appreciation Prize as top sales associate and for contributing to the firm's culture
- Developed business development playbook for client services teams, driving +30% YoY improvement in lead generation
- Coordinated front-end business development efforts, raising ~\$3.85 million, over 50% of company revenue in 2013

#### **EDUCATION**

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO BOOTH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, 09/2017 - 06/2019

Chicago, IL

MBA, Focus in Entrepreneurship, Strategic Management, Managerial Behavior and Organizational Change, GMAT Score 730

#### BATES COLLEGE, 08/2008 - 05/2012

Lewiston, ME

Bachelor of Arts, Politics & Psychology, Concentration in French, GPA 3.84, Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

#### **SKILLS**

Six Sigma Principles Certificate - SQL for Data Science Certificate - Responsible AI, Generative AI – Machine Learning University Financial Modeling & Forecasting – P&L Optimization – Strategic Planning & Execution – Process Improvement & Automation Stakeholder Management – Market & Trend Analysis

## City Light Review Panel

9 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 123256, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 4 City Council- appointed
- 5 Mayor- appointed

#### Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	М	5	1.	Economist	Bruce Flory	4/11/23	4/10/26	1	Mayor
6	М	6	2.	Financial Analyst	Louis Ernst	4/12/23	4/11/26	2	City Council
6	F	1	3.	Non-Profit Representative	Kerry Meade	5/1/24	4/30/27	2	Mayor
1	М	6	4.	Residential Customer Representative	Leo L. Lam	4/12/25	4/11/28	2	City Council
6	М	n/a	5.	Commercial Customer Representative	Ryan Monson	4/13/24	4/12/27	1	Mayor
2	М	n/a	6.	Industrial Customer Representative	Toyin Olowu	4/12/23	4/11/26	1	City Council
5	F	n/a	7.	Low-Income Customer	Oksana Savolyuk	4/12/24	4/11/27	2	Mayor
6	F	7	8.	Representative  Member at Large	Gina Cristina Sima	4/12/24	4/11/27	1	City Council
6	M	n/a	9.	Suburban Franchise Representative	Joel Paisner	5/1/24	4/30/27	2	Mayor

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	3	2							1	4			
Council	3	1			1	1				2			
Other													
Total	6	3			1	1			1	6			

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.