




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Dhyana Quintanar Solares</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Planning Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</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 type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Term of Position: * 4/16/2022 to 4/15/2025 <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Capitol Hill</i>	Zip Code: <i>98102</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Ms. Quintanar Solares has 14 years of experience driving change in sustainable transportation, public space and urban development in the public, non-profit and private sectors. Having worked much of her career in Mexico City, she understands the complexities and tensions in decision-making for policies that work for all members of society, in a context of vast income inequality with competing identities and contrasting access to opportunity. Prior to arriving in Seattle to join WSP she worked on the strategic development of complex urban projects, including public spaces and facilities that provide safe multimodal access. She led the Authority of Public Space of Mexico City, where she was responsible for the transformation of approximately 125 acres into more livable, safe and iconic places. Prior to that role, she led Mexico City's Transportation Planning and Roads office.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 6/14/2023	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.

DHYANA QUINTANAR SOLARES



QUALIFICATIONS

- 14 years of experience in transportation, public space, land use and environmental planning and project management in the public, non-governmental and private sectors.
- Leadership and management of organizations with multimillion-dollar budgets and 100+ personnel.
- Experience working with elected officials, technical staff and community partners to improve the public realm, transportation systems and access.
- Expertise in regulatory reform and internal lobbying in political campaigns and with legislators in Mexico.
- Co-author of technical and policy manuals on bicycle planning, sidewalk and urban design, and resilience.
- Master's degree in Environmental Management with a focus in transportation and urban development.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Headed the Authority of Public Space of Mexico City, responsible for transforming approximately 125 acres into more livable, safe and iconic places, managing over a dozen projects with a yearly budget of over US\$ 27 million and 45 staff.
- Led Mexico City's Transportation Planning and Roads office, developing the city's Comprehensive Mobility Program 2013-2018 and conceptualizing and drafting Mexico City's new Mobility Law, resulting in the approval of the bill by unanimous vote in the local congress.
- Served as Mexico City's first Bicycle Coordinator and implemented Mexico City's Bikeshare Program ECOBICI, the first automated public bicycle system in the Americas with 90 stations and 1 200 bicycles.
- Designed and led innovative departments at global nonprofits, including the World Resources Institute (WRI) Mexico and the Institute for Transportation & Development Policy (ITDP) Mexico, determining programmatic strategy, spearheading policy and advocacy efforts, partnership development, and successful fundraising.

EXPERIENCE

January 2019 -
Present

WSP USA (Seattle, WA) | Mobility and Urban Innovation Lead (Senior Supervising Planner)

- Lead the strategy development and implementation for transportation opportunities associated with urban planning, public space, multimodal transportation, travel demand management, new and shared mobility, and technology-driven innovation and services for the Pacific Northwest; assess market opportunities and strategy.
- Project Manager for the I-5 Lid Feasibility Study (City of Seattle). Key lead, managing a \$1.4 million dollar study to overbuild the freeway through 0.8 miles of downtown Seattle; lead a multidisciplinary team with seven subconsultants, through a complex multi-stakeholder process.

March 2018 -
December 2018

Freelance Consultant

- Project development and technical assistance for clients on sustainable mobility, public space, urban design, and public policy.
Client list and project details available upon request.

June 2016 -
February 2018

Nexity (www.nexity.com.mx) | Principal

- Founded and directed Nexity, a Mexican company that develops and implements sustainable mobility, public space and urban design solutions for cities.

September 2014 -
February 2016

Authority of Public Space of Mexico City | General Coordinator

- Led Mexico City's department of urban design, planning and development of the public realm, responsible for the development of strategic public spaces, including parks, plazas, streets and medians (refer to portfolio); outdoor advertisement regulation; and privately-owned public spaces.
- Implemented quick-build, tactical urbanism projects such as pocket parks, curb

extensions and activation programs, using public life and public space metrics to evaluate their success.

- Managed EcoParq, Mexico City's on-street parking program, regulating over 26 600 parking spaces and expanding operation zones by 20%.
- Coordinated six city departments to redesign 54 intersections on six corridors with high pedestrian crash rates to improve safety and efficiency by 53% in one year, through the Pasos Seguros program.

December 2012 -
August 2014

Secretariat of Transportation and Roads of Mexico City (SEMOVI) | General Director of Planning & Roads

- Directed Mexico City's transportation planning and roads unit, overseeing 100+ staff, and responsible for developing the Comprehensive Mobility Program 2013-2018 through a multi-stakeholder process.
- Led the development of Mexico City's new Mobility Law and new Rules of the Road, with a Vision Zero approach, protecting vulnerable road users, reducing speed limits, and increasing sanctions.
- Updated the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices of Mexico City to include new materials, technologies and services for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users.
- Spearheaded the development of Mexico City's Transit Open Data Program and developed an Access Planning Tool for Mexico City with technical assistance from the World Bank.
- Established innovative street designs, showcasing the first Complete Street of Mexico City on line 5 of the Metrobus BRT system, as well as the design of the shared road on 16 de Septiembre Street.

March -
November 2012

Campaign for Mayor of Mexico City | Coordinator of Mobility, Public Space and Public Policy

- Advised Dr. Miguel Ángel Mancera, drafted campaign proposals and debate platforms on sustainable mobility, urbanism, public space, city management, urban innovation and transversal policies.
- Organized forums and meetings between the candidate and NGO leaders and experts in the subjects.

August 2010 -
February 2012

Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP Mexico) | Director of Strategic Projects

- Delivered technical assistance in non-motorized mobility strategies for Latin-American cities (including the six largest Mexican cities, Lima and Buenos Aires), facilitating knowledge transfer in the planning, design and promotion of policies and projects, with context-sensitive proposals.
- Established parking policy and travel demand management strategies for Mexican cities, including technical assistance to decision makers of the first multi-space on-street parking program in Mexico City, EcoParq, to manage 16 000 parking spaces.
- Fundraised US\$ 200 000 and led the development of the Car-Use Reduction in Mexican Cities' project with the British Embassy in Mexico (Prosperity Fund).
- Co-authored the Cyclecities manual (www.ciclociudades.mx), integrated best-practice guidelines for Transit-Oriented Development and Smart Growth for Mexican Cities, as well as for Comprehensive Programs of Urban Sustainable Mobility in Mexico.

June 2008 -
July 2010

Secretariat of Environment of Mexico City | Coordinator of the Bicycle Mobility Strategy

- Led the Bicycle Mobility Strategy 2009-2012, including planning and implementation of bicycle infrastructure, parking facilities, bikeshare, education programming, metrics and evaluation.
- Drafted and passed the new regulation for the Rules of the Road to protect cyclists and provide rights and obligations to share the road; updated construction regulation to include cycle-inclusive criteria.
- Established Mexico City's Urban Cycling School initiative, and the Urban Cycling Manual with NGOs.

August 2006 -
May 2008

World Resources Institute / EMBARQ-CTS Mexico | Director of Mobility and Urban Development

- Created the Mobility and Urban Development area, increasing institutional capacity and scope of work to integrate land use, urban development and transport, securing funds for a team of five collaborators, four interns and managed seven international consultants.
- Fundraised and led the development of the Transit-Oriented Development in Mexico City project with the Secretariat of Urban Development and Housing of Mexico City (SEDUVI), raising US\$ 515 000 from the British Prosperity Fund.
- Organized and led a placemaking process for Michoacan Street in Condesa neighborhood in Mexico City, creating a common vision amongst various stakeholders for the project.

EDUCATION

Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. New Haven, CT, USA

Master of Environmental Management (MEM), 2006

Focus in Urban Systems, Land Use and Environmental Planning. Honors in 12 of 16 courses.

Bryn Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, PA, USA

Bachelor of Arts in Biology (BA), 2004

Cum Laude. Honors in Biology major. Concentration in Environmental Studies.

Seattle Planning Commission

JUNE 29 2023

16 Members: Pursuant to SMC 3.6, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms (except for position 16 which serves a one-year term and is a Get Engaged member):

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): Planning Commission

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	F	3	1.	Member	McCaella Daffern	4/16/22	4/15/25	1	City Council
3	F	3	2.	Member	Dhyana Quintanar Solares	4/16/22	4/15/25	1	Mayor
6	F	2	3.	Member	Lauren Squires	4/16/22	4/15/25	2	City Council
2	M	2	4.	Member	Kelabe Tewolde	4/16/22	4/15/25	1	Mayor
7	F	5	5.	Member	Jamie Stroble	4/16/22	4/15/25	2	City Council
6	M	4	6.	Member	Andrew Dannenberg	4/16/23	4/15/26	1	Mayor
			7.	Member	Vacant	4/16/23	4/15/26	1	City Council
1	F	5	8.	Member	Radhika Nair	4/16/20	4/15/23	1	Mayor
6	M	1	9.	Member	Matt Hutchins	4/16/20	4/15/23	1	City Council
9	NB	3	10.	Member	Monika Sharma	4/16/23	4/15/26	1	Mayor
3	M	3	11.	Member	Julio Sanchez	4/16/21	4/15/24	2	City Council
9	F	5	12.	Member	Rose Lew Tsai-Le Whitson	4/16/21	4/15/24	1	Mayor
6	M	4	13.	Member	David Goldberg	4/16/21	4/15/24	2	City Council
6	M	1	14.	Member	Nick Whipple	4/16/21	4/15/24	1	Mayor
6	M	4	15.	Member	Rick Mohler	4/16/21	4/15/24	2	Commission
2	F	6	16.	Get Engaged	Dalton Owens	9/1/22	8/31/23	1	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	4		1	1	2	1			2			2
Council	3	3					1			4	1		
Other	1									1			
Total	7	7		1	1	2	2			7	1		1

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.