



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Robert D. Cook		
Board/Commission Name: Pacific Hospital Preservation and Development Authority		Position Title: Governing Council Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <i>OR</i> <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 type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: PHPDA Governing Council		Term of Position: * <div style="text-align: right;">1/1/2025 to 12/31/2027</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: Queen Anne; Council District 7	Zip Code: 98109	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <p>Robert D. Cook has more than 40 years of progressively responsible financial management experience in various cooperative, nonprofit, and government organizations. He served as the Senior Director of Finance of the Washington State Housing Finance Commission (the "Commission") where, for 25 years, he directed the strategic development and tactical implementation of the Commission's finance programs. He ensured the proactive administration of the fiscal activities of more than 400 different funds and \$7.7 billion in outstanding debt financing. As the Commission's financial representative in the structuring of municipal bond issues, he helped to maximize capital generated with the limited tax-exempt bond volume cap available and participated in the development of the Commission's policy options and planning requirements across the broad spectrum of low- and moderate-income housing and non-profit financing transactions. During his tenure at the Commission, Bob has participated in the issuance of more than 870 bond issues totaling \$18.4 billion.</p> <p>Bob has served on nonprofits board including Plymouth Housing Group (Treasurer), Open Door Ventures (President), Cascadia Revolving Fund (Treasurer), and Flying House Productions/Seattle Men's Chorus (President, Treasurer). He has been a performer with Seattle Men's Chorus for over 30 years.</p> <p><i>This appointment represents Mr. Cook's third (3rd^d) term.</i></p>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <div>  <small>Signed by: ECEF25DDEAF499...</small> </div> Date Signed (appointed): 1/16/2025		Appointing Signatory: <div style="text-align: center;">Doris Koo Governing Council Chair</div>

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

ROBERT D. COOK, MBA

EXPERIENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1996 – 2022

Chief Financial Officer, Washington State Housing Finance Commission

- Ensured integrity of financial accounting and reporting systems of organization and two affiliates with combined assets of \$7.7 billion in 400 funds
- Structured affordable housing and nonprofit bond issues with bond counsel financial advisors, and bond underwriters, 870 transactions totaling \$18.4 billion
- Supervised management and administration of program-related investment portfolio of \$654 million supporting low- and moderate-income housing and facilities for nonprofits
- Directed organization-wide annual work plan and budget development process; ensures business objectives tied to strategic goals
- Directed annual independent financial audits and state compliance audits for three entities
- Led selection process for financial systems and consultants
- Led and manages a diverse staff of 12

1991 – 1996

Controller, Northwest AIDS Foundation

- Administered development of a HUD 811 apartment project for Persons with AIDS
- Increased financial reporting timeliness and effectiveness during agency budget and staffing growth of 100%, while finance staffing increased only 40%
- Restructured fund accounting system to effectively serve internal and external reporting needs
- Ensured financial compliance with governmental and private grant requirements
- Supervised independent audits performed to Federal A-133 requirements

PRIOR TO 1991

Controller, LaSalle FS, Inc.

- Increased effectiveness of staff, managing 40% increase in sales with 20% fewer positions
- Directed compliance with multiple state and federal tax reporting requirements
- Overhauled accounting systems, solved long-term problems and restored credibility of financial systems with customers, Board of Directors, and employees
- Managed Human Resources function with benefits, salary and incentive pay administration
- Coordinated accounting system conversion and staff training

VOLUNTEER NONPROFIT EXPERIENCE

2014 — Present

Pacific Hospital Preservation and Development Authority

Strategic Advisor, Finance Committee and Real Estate Development Committee

2011 — 2018

Plymouth Housing Group

Treasurer, Board Member

2011 — 2018

President, Board Member

Open Door Ventures/Cal Anderson House

2004 — 2007 and 1991 — 1997

President, Treasurer, Board Member

Seattle Men's Chorus/Flying House Productions

Other Organizations

Government Finance Officer Association - Cascadia Revolving Fund CDFI - Community Hospice

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration

Specialization, Information Systems

Northern Illinois University

Bachelor of Science, Business Administration

Accountancy

University of Missouri – Columbia

Pacific Hospital Preservation and Development Authority (PHPDA)

JANUARY 2025

9 Members: Pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 and Seattle Municipal Code 3.110, All subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 4 Mayor-appointed
- 4 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): PHPDA Governing Council
- 1 King County Executive-appointed

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
3	M	1	1.	Member	Nicholas Ramirez	1/1/24	12/31/26	1	Mayor
			2.	Member		1/1/24	12/31/26		Governing Council
1	F	5	3.	Secretary	Doris Koo	1/1/22	12/31/24	2	KC Executive
6	M	7	4.	Member	Robert D. Cook	1/1/25	12/31/27	3	Governing Council
5	M	3	5.	Treasurer	Paul Feldman	1/1/25	12/31/27	2	Mayor
2	O	2	6.	Vice Chair	AyeNay Abye	1/1/23	12/31/25	2	Governing Council
1	F	2	7.	Member	Susan Taoka	1/1/23	12/31/25	3	Mayor
2	M	N/A	8.	Chair	Douglass L. Jackson	1/1/25	12/31/27	2	Mayor
2	F	2	9.	Member	Martine Pierre-Louis	1/1/23	12/31/25	1	Governing Council

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Men	Women	Transgender	Other/ Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other (Specification Optional)	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	3	1			1	1	1		1				
Gov. Council	1	2		1		2				2			
Other		1			1								
Total	4	4	0	1	2	3	1	0	1	2	0	0	0

Key:

- *D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)
 - **G List *gender*, M = Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, U= Unknown, O= Other
 - RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A
- Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.*