



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: *Leslie Mehren*

Board or Commission Name: *Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board*

Position Title: *Position 6, Property Owner or Business Person*

☒ **Appointment** ☐ **Reappointment**

***Term of Position:** *7/1/2026 to 6/30/2028*

☐ *Serving partial term (eligible for full terms thereafter)*

Appointing Authority: ☐ City Council ☒ Mayor ☐ Other: *N.A.*

City Council Confirmation Required? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Residential Neighborhood: *Ballard*

Appointee brief overview:

Appointee owns several properties in the Ballard Avenue Landmark District that exemplify the district's pedestrian-scaled architecture and its spirit of cultivating unique, independently owned businesses. Her professional experiences in history and public-facing cultural organizations are highly relevant to the board's work. She previously operated a small business in the district, further enriching her perspective on its past, present, and future.

Appointing Authority Signature:

Date Signed: *6/25/26*

Appointing Authority Printed Name and Title:

*Katie B. Wilson
Mayor of Seattle*

Leslie Mehren

**Founder and Co-director, Conect@Oaxaca Cultural travel program
based in Oaxaca, Mexico since 2016**

Owner, Anima Mundi Worldwide Design 2011 - 2017
Ballard, Seattle, WA

**Community Engagement, Olsen Real Estate Associates (OREA),
Ballard, Seattle, WA**

Co-owner of OREA, a multi-generational family business in the heart of
historic Ballard

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Prior to moving to Seattle in 2010, I worked in donor cultivation and communications at leading arts and culture organizations, including The California Academy of Sciences, The San Francisco Zoo, Sotheby's, and The Drawing Center in New York City.

Historic architectural restoration and renovation has been a lifelong interest of mine and I have been involved in residential and commercial preservation projects in St. Paul, San Francisco, Kansas City and Seattle.

EDUCATION

John F. Kennedy University, Berkeley, CA
Museum Studies, M.A.

Reed College, Portland, OR, B.A. Art History

BALLARD AVENUE LANDMARK DISTRICT BOARD

7 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 105462, 2 members subject to City Council confirmation, with 2-year terms.

- 0 City Council-appointed
- 2 Mayor-appointed
- 5 Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Community Elected

Roster as of [insert date]

Position Number	Position Title	Appointee Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	*Term Number	Appointed By
1	Community Historian	Anthony Salazar	7/1/25	6/30/27	3	Mayor
2	Property Owner	John Cashman	7/1/25	6/30/27	2	Community Elected
3	Tenant/ Resident	Philipp Koman	7/1/25	6/30/27	2	Community Elected
4	Property Owner/ Business Person	Tommy Patrick	7/1/25	6/30/27	3	Community Elected
5	Architect	Joe Krentz	7/1/26	6/30/28	2	Mayor
6	Property Owner/ Business Person	Leslie Mehren	7/1/26	6/30/28	1	Mayor
7	Property Owner	Meagan Teutsch	7/1/26	6/30/28	2	Community Elected
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Self-identified diversity chart

Appointing Authority	Male	Female	Transgender	Non-Binary	N/A	Asian	Black/ African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	White/ non-Hispanic	Hispanic/ Latinx	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multi - racial	N/A
Mayor	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
Council	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0

City Council districts represented

Council District	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	District 7	N/A
Total	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0

*P is for partial initial term. Appointee is eligible for full terms thereafter.