



# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Parks, Public Utilities, and Technology Committee Agenda

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

2:00 PM

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

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**A. Call To Order**

**B. Approval of the Agenda**

**C. Public Comment**

**D. Items of Business**

1. [Appt 03405](#) **Reappointment of Katie Garrow as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(Items 1 - 12\)](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

2. [Appt 03406](#) **Reappointment of Emily Hooper George as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

3. [Appt 03407](#) **Reappointment of Eric R. Howard as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

4. [Appt 03408](#) **Reappointment of Shawn Jackson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

5. [Appt 03409](#) **Reappointment of Gerry Johnson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

6. [Appt 03410](#) **Reappointment of Edward M. Leigh as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

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7. [Appt 03411](#) **Reappointment of Pamela Quadros as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

8. [Appt 03412](#) **Reappointment of Jim Rowe as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

9. [Appt 03413](#) **Reappointment of Michelle A. Rusk as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

10. [Appt 03414](#) **Reappointment of Ryan Smith as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

11. [Appt 03415](#)      **Reappointment of Donny Stevenson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments:    [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

12. [Appt 03416](#)      **Reappointment of Leslie Veloz as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

Attachments:    [Appointment Packet](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Marshall Foster, Director, and Tiffani Melake, Seattle Center

13.    [CB 121138](#)    **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities or designee to acquire by negotiation or eminent domain (condemnation) a parcel of land in Seattle, for utility purposes identified as King County Parcel Number 152504-9010 located at 4000 NE 41st St. and to execute, accept, and record deeds, conveyance documents, and agreements deemed by the General Manager/CEO to be necessary to this transaction on behalf of the City; placing the real property under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing payment of all other costs associated with the acquisition; amending Ordinance 127362, which adopted the 2026 Budget including the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.**

Attachments:    [Att 1 - Legal Description of Parcel Number 152504-9010](#)

Supporting

Documents:

[Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

[Summary Ex A - Maps of Property to be Acquired](#)

[Summary Ex B - Revised Citywide Programs CIP Project Page](#)

[Presentation - SPU Property Acquisition](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** Andrew Lee, General Manager and CEO, Kevin Burrell, and Jacques Rodriguez, Seattle Public Utilities; Brian Goodnight, Council Central Staff

14. [CB 121137](#)      **AN ORDINANCE** amending the Amended Landscape Conservation and Infrastructure Program Funding Plan for the South Lake Union and Downtown as adopted by Ordinance 127252; amending Ordinance 127156, which adopted the 2025 Budget, including the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program; changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; making an appropriation from the Park and Recreation Fund for related costs; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

Attachments:    [Att A - Amended Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program Infrastructure Funding Plan for South Lake Union and Downtown](#)

Supporting Documents:    [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)  
[Summary Att 1 - Amended LCLIP Funding Plan - Tracked Changes](#)  
[Summary Att 2 - Property Map](#)  
[Presentation - Amended Landscape Conservation and Infrastructure Program Funding Plan](#)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote**

**Presenters:** AP Diaz, Superintendent, and Andy Sheffer, Seattle Parks and Recreation; Karina Bull, Council Central Staff

**E. Adjournment**



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Reappointment of Katie Garrow as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Katie Garrow</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>At- Large (Labor)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 1/1/2026 <b>to</b> 12/31/2027  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Federal Way</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98003</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <i>Katie Garrow is the Deputy Executive Director at MLK Labor, which represents 220,000 workers in 150 affiliate unions, including workers in the public and private sectors in the downtown core and waterfront area. She has served on the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee since December 2019.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    <b>Date signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b>  <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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# KATIE GARROW

## Skills Summary

Executive leader of the largest labor organization in King County. Manages a \$4.5 million annual budget and staff of 13. Expertise in organizational development, coalitions, project management, lobbying, workforce development, electoral politics, union and community organizing and contract negotiation.

## Experience

### **MLK Labor**

*Executive Secretary-Treasurer / 2021-Present*

*Deputy Executive Secretary-Treasurer / 2016-2021*

Seven years of executive level leadership in King County's largest labor organization. Doubled revenue and staff from 2021-2023. Elected 50 union members to public office.

### **Protec 17**

*Union Representative / 2013-2016*

Negotiated public sector union contracts. Represented members in grievance processes, investigations, discipline hearings, mediation and arbitration.

## Education

### **BA Spanish Literature and Global Studies / 2011**

Pacific Lutheran University

Magna cum laude, international honors program

## Board and Volunteering

Seattle Convention Center, Board of Directors / 2021- present

King County Workforce Development Council / 2018- present

Transportation Choices Coalition, Board of Directors / 2018- present

Washington State Labor Council, Executive Board / 2021- present

Seattle Labor Temple Association, Board of Directors / 2021-present

Worker Innovation Center, Board of Directors / 2025- present

# Central Waterfront Oversight Committee

20 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125761 and Section 5 amended by Ordinance 126983, 14 members subject to City Council confirmation, all positions shall be 2-years except positions 15 through 20 which shall be permanent.

- 7 Mayor- appointed
- 7 City Council- appointed
- 6 Other Appointing Authority: Chief Executive Officer, Executive Director or designee

## Roster:

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			2.	At-Large (Labor)	Katie Garrow	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Council
6	M	7	3.	At-Large	Gerry Johnson	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Mayor
			4.	At-Large	Pamela Quadros	1/1/26	12/31/27	2	Council
			5.	At-Large	Eric R. Howard	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Mayor
3	F	2	6.	At-Large	Michelle A. Rusk	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Council
			7.	LID Residential Tenant	Leslie Veloz	1/1/26	12/31/27	1	Mayor
6	M	6	8.	LID Commercial Tenant	Jim Rowe	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Council
			9.	LID Hotel Property Owner	Vacant	1/1/26	12/31/27		Mayor
6	F	7	10.	LID Condominium Owner	Emily Hooper George	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Council
6	M	7	11.	LID Residential Apartment Property Owner	Edward M. Leigh	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Mayor
			12.	LID Office Property Owner	Ryan Smith	1/1/26	12/31/27	1	Council
			13.	LID property on or within one block of Pike/Pine St. owner	Shawn Jackson	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Mayor
			14.	LID Commercial/Retail Property Owner	Vacant	1/1/26	12/31/27		Council
6	F	3	15.	Pike Place Market PDA	Rachel Ligtenberg	9/1/25			Executive Director (or designee)
			16.	Seattle Aquarium Society	Peggy Sloan	1/1/26			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)
6	M	4	17.	Downtown Seattle Association/MID	Jon Scholes	12/31/19			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)



6	M	NA	18.	Seattle Historic Waterfront Association	Bob C. Donegan	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
6	F	2	19.	Alliance for Pioneer Square	Lisa Dixon Howard	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
	F		20.	Port of Seattle	Geri Poor	1/1/24			Executive Director (or designee)

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Mayor	3	0								3			
Council	1	2					1			2			
Other	3	3								5			
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# **CENTRAL WATERFRONT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

PARKS, PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE  
December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

# LEGISLATIVE HISTORY FOR PARK OPERATIONS

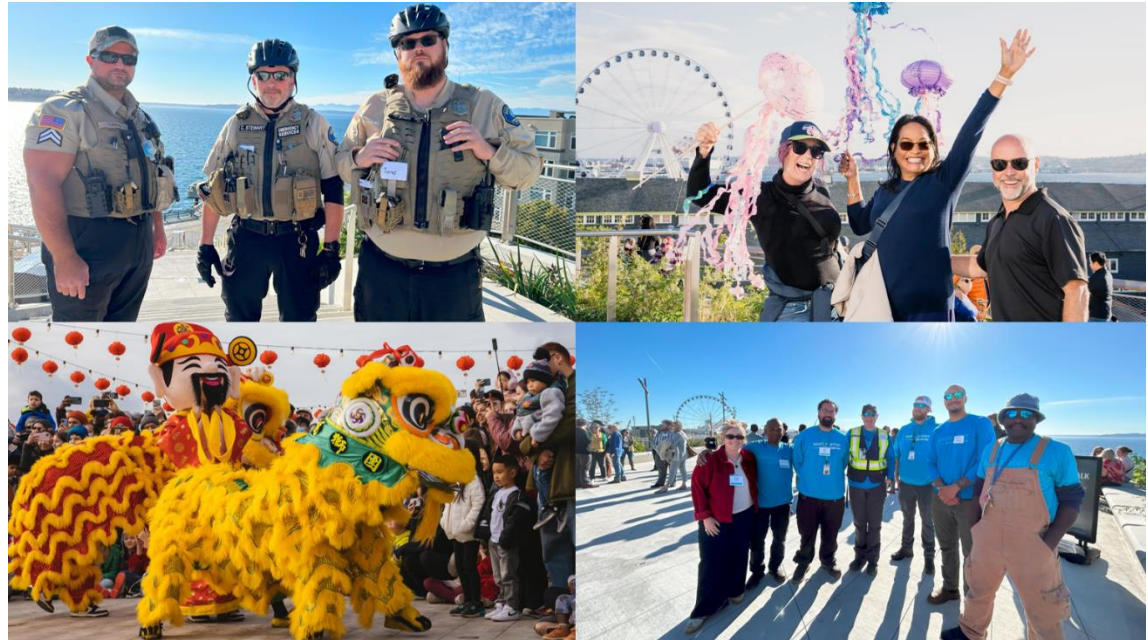
Ordinance/Resolution	Date	Description
Ordinance 123142	November 2009	Establishes Central Waterfront Partnerships Committee to advise City; large scale community engagement on design begins
Resolution 31264	January 2011	Endorses Central Waterfront Guiding Principles; creates Central Waterfront Committee
Resolution 31399	August 2012	Resolution 31399 endorses Waterfront Concept Design and Strategic Plan, establishing funding plan, including LID and philanthropy
		Friends of Waterfront Seattle incorporated as non-profit organization
Resolution 31768	September 2017	<b>Stated intent to enter into an agreement with Friends for the long-term provision of high-quality operations and management services commensurate with Central Waterfront Improvement Program</b>

# LEGISLATIVE HISTORY FOR PARK OPERATIONS

Ordinance/Resolution	Date	Description
Ordinance 125760	January 2019	Establishes the \$160M Local Improvement District (LID)
Ordinance 125761		<b>Approves the O&amp;M Ordinance, created the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee; authorizes two-year pilot agreement for Pier 62; established framework for long term management agreement with Friends of Waterfront Seattle</b>
Ordinance 125762		Contractual agreement with property owners to waive the LID protest in exchange for the <b>City committing to a set standard of maintenance, programming and public safety</b> ; designating park boulevards
Ordinance 126444	September 2021	Portions of the waterfront are designated as Waterfront Park Boulevards
Ordinance 126754	January 2023	<b>Delegates authority to Seattle Center for Operations and Management of Waterfront Park</b>

# PARK OPERATIONS

- Partnership with non-profit Friends of Waterfront Park
- Dedicated, specialized City maintenance team
- Free public programming and events year round
- Public safety and outreach services
- Oversight Committee to ensure accountability and Mayor/Council reporting





# CENTRAL WATERFRONT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CWOC)



# OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ROLE

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- Mayor/Council appointed. 20 members, including:
  - At-Large (6)
  - LID Tenant/Owner (8)
  - Non-Profit (5)
  - Port (1)
- Developed the Waterfront Park Performance Standard in 2021
- Advises on central waterfront operations, maintenance, safety, cultural and recreational programming
- Provides annual report to Mayor and Council

# OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE HISTORY

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- Committee work started Jan 2020 and COVID-19 impacted committee work
- 2023 Legislation reset original terms to 4 years and added:
  - Port of Seattle (Permanent)
  - Friends of Waterfront Park (Ex-Officio)
  - Seattle Center (Ex-Officio)
- 2026-2028 next appointment cycle



# REAPPOINTMENTS

POS #	Position Title	Name	REAPPOINTMENT OR APPOINTMENT	Appointed By
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Reappointment of Emily Hooper George as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

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## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Emily Hooper George		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		<b>Position Title:</b> Owner of a Condominium Property
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> West Edge	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98101	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b>  Emily has served on the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee since January 2020. She provides a valuable lens to the committee work, as a mother, resident, and volunteer in the downtown community. She also works in the neighborhood as a Principal and structural engineer at KPFF Consulting Engineers. She is passionate about making downtown Seattle and the Central Waterfront a place welcoming for people of all ages.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    <b>Date Signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Joy Hollingsworth Seattle City Councilmember

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## Emily Hooper George, PE, SE, LEED AP

Principal, Structural Engineer  
Downtown Resident and Parent

Emily has 21 years of experience working as a structural engineer for public and private clients. Her experience includes the design of steel, concrete, and timber structures, including seismic design.

Since moving to downtown Seattle in 2008, she has been actively involved in her community and worked to promote her neighborhood as a place where everyone belongs.



### Junior League of Seattle, 2008 - present

Emily has served in various roles for the Junior League, including Treasurer, Board Member, and on the Nominating Committee. She developed many of her skills for volunteer positions through her time with this organization.

### Parents for a Better Downtown, 2013 – present

Emily and her husband, Michael, have represented the voice of families living in the urban center of our city for a decade. This group has been on the forefront of conversations around the need for a downtown public K-8 school, more play spaces, more daycare capacity, increased family-sized housing, and much more. They are passionate about building a city center that works for families with children.

### DSA Downtown Residents Council, 2015 – 2022

Emily served on the Council to share the needs of families living in the neighborhood. The group was involved in many initiatives with the DSA and the City of Seattle. The committee was disbanded in 2022.

### Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, 2020 - present

Emily was appointed by Seattle City Council to represent condominium owners, per the agreement in the Local Improvement District. She is honored to be a part of a project that is shaping the future of the city. In her time on the committee, performance criteria have been set, the city has entered into an agreement with the Seattle Center for operations, and she has completed her first round of the park evaluation. She is eager to continue serving on the committee.

### Other Committees and Appointments

DSA Parks Committee  
SDOT Pike Pine Corridor Sounding Board  
Seattle Chamber West Seattle Ballard Link Extension Stakeholders  
Epiphany School Board of Trustees

### Education

- MS Structural Engineering, University of Illinois, 2002
- BS Civil Engineering, University of New Hampshire, 2001

### Registration

- PE: Washington (#43663), 2007  
Oregon (#099744PE), 2022
- SE: Washington (#43663), 2011
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Beacon Hill</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98108</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <i>Eric Howard has spent fifteen years at Boeing Commercial Airplanes in various sales, business development and policy positions and an assignment working on climate change adaptation for the United Nations Development Program in the South Pacific. As part of this, he designed a multimillion-dollar project for the nation of Samoa focused on climate-resilient waterfront development for the island's largest city, Apia. At Boeing, he managed sales campaigns, aircraft finance transactions and maintenance plans for multiple airline customers globally; built local, national and international partnerships to advance Commercial Airplanes business interests; and coordinated analysis on all aspects of aviation policy, including environmental strategy.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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# ERIC R. HOWARD

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**Summary** Over 15 years of experience managing complex, multinational projects in the aerospace and environmental finance domains. Proven track record in building and maintaining networks across governments, research institutions, airline customers, civil society and the enterprise to advance initiatives that meet long-term development goals in the public and private sectors.

## Experience

June 2023 – **BOEING COMMERCIAL AIRPLANES** Renton, WA  
**Business Director & Deputy to the President – Boeing Business Jets**

2020-2023 **Finance Director - Customer Finance**

- Provided all aspects of aviation finance support to facilitate delivery of new aircraft and placement of used aircraft at customer airlines. Key transactions include: Qatar Airways MAX 8 Lease Novation; Lion Air MAX 9 Flight Test delivery.
- Organized and led regional outreach events to banks and lessors to update investors on the value proposition of aircraft as a stable asset class.

2018-2019 **Director – Aviation Policy & Geopolitical Analysis**

- Liaison between BCA and Boeing Government Operations (WDC). Led analysis on behalf of Commercial Airplanes for resolution of 10 year WTO Trade in Large Civil Aircraft Case.
- Quantified Commercial Airplanes business impacts and supported policy response for US Government imposed tariffs on China, EU, Canada and Mexico.
- Member of Board for Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials. Managed Sustainable Aviation Fuel project development in Brazil, South Africa and Ethiopia. Shaped Sustainable Aviation Fuel User Group (SAFUG).

2016-2017 **UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME** Apia, Samoa  
**Project Development Specialist**

**Climate Change Adaptation Team, Global Environmental Finance Unit**

- Advised governments from Small Island Developing States in the South Pacific on policy and project management solutions to mitigate the impacts of extreme weather events.
- Designed and developed financing programs for the Green Climate Fund generating \$100M+ in program funding. Projects include: bridge repair and drainage systems; vector-borne disease detection and control; early warning system development; development financing for microenterprises; community-level ecology management; and addressing climate vulnerability in the water sector.

2014-2015 **BOEING GLOBAL SERVICES** Renton, WA  
**Program Manager – Latin America, Africa & Caribbean**

- Executed business sales strategies to support fleet growth and operations for airline carriers in 15+ countries, exceeding annual sales target by 20%.
- Created bid proposals for aircraft and aviation services contracts, generating annual sales of \$350M.

2011-2014 **BOEING COMMERCIAL AIRPLANES** Renton, WA  
**Global Business Development & Policy**  
**Regional Director – Latin America, Africa & Caribbean**

- Formed partnerships with airlines, governments and industrial stakeholders to meet business growth objectives.

- Provided analysis and strategy recommendations to senior leadership to advance market access, productivity and technology development objectives for Commercial Airplanes.
- Developed and managed external portfolio-level reports for regional partner nations and collaborators to support project monitoring and evaluation in excess of \$1.8B.
- Led Commercial Airplanes' implementation of a Cooperation Agreement with Embraer (world's largest and third largest aerospace companies) in the areas of *Sustainable Aviation Fuels, Research and Technology* and *Safety*. Liaised with support divisions, including Legal, Risk, Environment and Intellectual Property to ensure projects adhered to corporate governance standards.
- Designed, implemented and monitored South Africa-Boeing agreements advancing titanium beneficiation and Sustainable Aviation Fuels.

2008-2011 **Regional Manager - Asia Pacific & Australia**

- Provided analysis and built cost models for senior leadership to advance market access, productivity and technology development in seven markets.
- Managed Sarbanes Oxley Compliance as it pertains to Boeing Commercial Airplanes Offset Agreements with foreign entities.

2007-2008 **Supplier Management and Procurement  
Procurement Agent**

- Acted as interface between Boeing and multiple suppliers in Asia, managing aero structure and aircraft interior supply chains with an annual budget of over \$40M.

**Education** **HARVARD UNIVERSITY, John F. Kennedy School of Government** Cambridge, MA  
**Master in Public Administration, 2016**

- Social Enterprise Fellow, Center for Public Leadership
  - Led research on airspace governance standard setting as it pertains to humanitarian relief

**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, Graham School** Chicago, IL  
**Master of Science, 2009**  
Concentration: Risk Mitigation, Crisis and Threat Management

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, Carlson School of Management** Minneapolis, MN  
**Bachelor of Science in Business, 2006**  
Major: Entrepreneurial Management Minor: African/African-American Studies  
Study Exchanges: University of Dar es Salaam (2005 Academic Year)  
University of the Virgin Islands (2003 Fall Semester)

**Awards and  
Recognitions**

- City of Seattle Central Waterfront Oversight Commission, 2020-
- White House Fellowship Regional Finalist, 2016
- Boeing Sage Award, 2013. Awarded to individuals who champion business with female and minority-owned businesses
- Tanzania National Swim Champion, 2006
- Fellow Award, Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, highest national award for leading a community service project exceeding 500+ hours
- Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, 2002

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			5.	At-Large	Eric R. Howard	1/1/26	12/31/27	3	Mayor
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			7.	LID Residential Tenant	Leslie Veloz	1/1/26	12/31/27	1	Mayor
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			9.	LID Hotel Property Owner	Vacant	1/1/26	12/31/27		Mayor
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			16.	Seattle Aquarium Society	Peggy Sloan	1/1/26			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)
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6	F	2	19.	Alliance for Pioneer Square	Lisa Dixon Howard	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
	F		20.	Port of Seattle	Geri Poor	1/1/24			Executive Director (or designee)

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Reappointment of Shawn Jackson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Shawn Jackson		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		<b>Position Title:</b> Owner of a property on or within one block of Pike Street or Pine Street
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2027  <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> Bainbridge Island	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98110	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <p>As Vice President, Regional General Manager at URG, Shawn Jackson oversees the operations and leasing teams which includes over 6M Square Feet of commercial office space for the Puget Sound and Denver markets. Shawn's responsibilities include building relationships with public officials, partners and owners to provide guidance for significant capital projects, operations and leasing. Shawn has been involved in \$100 million of major capital and tenant improvement work throughout the portfolio.</p> <p>Shawn holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Idaho, as well as a Real Property Administrator's (RPA) designation from the Building Owners Management Association (BOMA) International. He is currently a member of the Seattle Sports Commission Board and a past member of the BOMA Board. Shawn also serves on the Policy Committee of the Downtown Seattle Association (DSA). He has served on the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee since 2020.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>   October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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*“Delivering extraordinary results for owners and partners is a cornerstone of our culture at Urban Renaissance Group. While we celebrate our successes, we never lose sight of this endeavor and approach every investment, project, tenant meeting and lease negotiation with this goal in mind.”*



Seattle, Washington

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With more than 30 years of commercial real estate experience, Shawn has held significant positions at some of the most prominent real estate firms in Seattle. Formerly serving as Director at the Hanover Company, he was charged with the acquisition of strategic development opportunities throughout the Northwest, including the Seattle and Portland markets. Prior to that, Shawn was a Senior Director at Equity Office Properties Trust (EOP), which was the largest owner of commercial office buildings in the United States at the time. During his tenure at EOP, he completed hundreds of real estate transactions valued at more than \$100 million, including participating in the largest transaction of 2006 in Seattle, which ultimately won the NAIOP's 2006 Deal of the Year Award. While at URG, Shawn participated in the significant renovation and repositioning of 1600 Seventh which also won the NAIOP Deal of the Year award in 2012.

Shawn holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Marketing from the University of Idaho, as well as a Real Property Administrator's (RPA) designation from the Building Owners Management Association (BOMA) International. He is currently a member of the Seattle Sports Commission Board and a past member of the BOMA Board. Shawn also serves on the Policy Committee of the Downtown Seattle Association (DSA).



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Reappointment of Gerry Johnson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Gerry Johnson		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		<b>Position Title:</b> At- Large
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2027  <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> Queen Anne	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98119	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <p>Gerry Johnson's law practice focuses on major community building projects, particularly those involving the participation of both the public and private sectors. Gerry has been counsel to projects ranging from initial development and expansion of the Seattle Art Museum; the recovery of the downtown Seattle retail core anchored by the Nordstrom flagship store and Pacific Place; T-Mobile Park and CenturyLink Field; the Museum of Flight; the Pike Place Market, including the recently completed MarketFront addition; and the transfer of the Washington State Convention Center from state control to a county public facilities district and its substantial expansion currently under construction.</p> <p>He has been instrumental as the chair of the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee since its inception in 2019. Throughout the last year years, he has lead the development of the Waterfront Performance Standard, and was instrumental in the public safety model for the Waterfront, along with the delegating of operations to the Seattle Center.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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## Gerry Johnson

**PARTNER**

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### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Public Policy and Political Matters  
Real Estate

Municipal Law  
Non Profits

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He counseled the Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) with respect to all aspects of its move to its iconic new home in Lake Union Park; Seattle Opera on its new facility at the Seattle Center; and the Seattle Art Museum on the complete renovation of its Seattle Asian Art Museum at Volunteer Park. Gerry also works with smaller communities throughout Washington, including the City of Vancouver on a substantial downtown development project and the City of Everett on a minor league professional baseball stadium project. He represented the Washington State Major League Baseball Stadium Public Facilities District in its T-Mobile Park lease renewal negotiations with the Seattle Mariners and the Arboretum Foundation in securing WSDOT's commitment to restore and return to Arboretum use land committed to the SR520 project. Gerry is currently supporting the City of Seattle in a cooperative effort with Seattle Public Schools to replace its Memorial Stadium and a Downtown Seattle Association affiliate on the recently announced Elliott Bay Connections Project.

Gerry is a past board chair of the (Pike Place) Market Foundation and Forterra (formerly Cascade Land Conservancy), both of which he helped to form. For years, Gerry has been prominent within regional leadership of numerous initiatives to preserve open space and natural areas and create and support public parks. He also is past chair of the Woodland Park Zoological Society board, and was instrumental in the transition of the management of the Zoo from the Seattle Parks Department to the Society and recently represented the Zoo Society in renewing its Operating Agreement with the City. Gerry served 12 years as a trustee and Board Chair of the Bullitt Foundation, a substantial regional foundation focused on the environment. He currently serves on the boards of the Seattle Parks Foundation and the Downtown Seattle Association. After many years of providing citizen leadership on the evolution of the City of Seattle's central waterfront project that will transform the relationship of the Seattle CBD with its historic waterfront in the wake of the removal of the Alaskan Way Viaduct, Gerry now serves as chair of City's Oversight Committee advising the Mayor and City Council on project implementation.

Gerry was the founding Managing Partner of Pacifica Law Group and served in that capacity through 2022. Established in 2011, the now 40+ lawyer firm received Seattle Metropolitan Area, Tier One rankings in the 2021 and 2022 Editions of

U.S. News – Best Lawyers “Best Law Firms” in the areas of Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation (2022), Education Law, Litigation – Construction (2022), Municipal Law, Public Finance Law and Real Estate Law, and Tier Two for Construction Law. Pacifica Law Group also received National Tier 2 rankings for Appellate Practice, Litigation - Construction and Public Finance Law.

Gerry completed a five-year term as managing partner of Preston Gates & Ellis, a predecessor firm to K&L Gates, at the end of 2004. He also co-founded and served as board chair of Attenex, a successful Seattle-based legal services software developer that was acquired by FTI in 2008. Earlier, he was a legislative assistant to the Seattle City Council, and legislative assistant and administrative assistant/chief-of-staff to former U.S. Senator Warren G. Magnuson.

**Bar Admissions:**

- Washington
- District of Columbia (inactive)

**Education:**

- Dartmouth College, A.B., *summa cum laude*; Phi Beta Kappa; Senior Fellow
- Georgetown University Law Center J.D., *cum laude*

**Honors:**

- Selected for *Washington Super Lawyers*, 2006-2019, 2022-2023
- Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the fields of Municipal Law, 2007-2024, and Real Estate Law, 2008-2024, and as Lawyer of the Year in Municipal Law in Seattle for 2016, 2020, and 2024
- Selected for *Chambers & Partners, USA*, in Real Estate in Washington, 2022-2023
- Recipient of the Municipal League of King County’s James R. Ellis Regional Leadership Award in 2005 and its Doug Mason Memorial Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Community in 1981

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Reappointment of Edward M. Leigh as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Edward M. Leigh</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Owner of a Residential Apartment Property</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Downtown</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98101</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <i>Ed is the VP of Investments for Equity Residential, an owner and operator multi-family real estate that owns over 5,000 apartment units in the City of Seattle. Four of Equity Residential's buildings are in the Waterfront LID boundary, including 2300 Elliott and Moda Apartments on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Ed has worked for Equity Residential for 17 years, in Chicago and Seattle, and has a bachelor's degree in engineering from the University of Illinois and an MBA from the University of Pennsylvania.</i>  <i>Ed has participated on the CWOC since 2019 and continues to engage with community on the Waterfront Park progress.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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## Edward M. Leigh



Ed Leigh is the VP of Investments for Equity Residential the Seattle area. Ed moved to Washington State in 2018, relocating from the company's headquarters in Chicago. He is responsible for asset management and acquisitions for Equity's 9,000-unit regional portfolio of multi-family properties.

Ed has a B.S. in Engineering from the University of Illinois, a M.S in Engineering from Texas A&M, and an M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School. He started his career as an environmental engineer, then spent several years in strategy consulting with Bain & Company. He joined Equity Residential's Property Operations group in 2006 where he worked on national programs for property technology, maintenance, and energy, and utilities.

Ed is a member of the Downtown Seattle Association where he sits on the Advisory Board for the Metropolitan Improvement District (MID). He is also on the Board of Directors for the Washington Multi Family Housing Association, and serves as Chairman of the Government Affairs Committee.

Ed lives in downtown Seattle only two blocks from the Seattle Waterfront with his wife Christine and 9-year-old son Isaac. They are frequently ferry riders, and spend their weekends exploring the Puget Sound region. Ed has traveled extensively in Latin America and has joined two international trips for Habitat for Humanity, visiting Paraguay and Ghana.

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Reappointment of Pamela Quadros as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Pamela Quadros</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>At-Large</i>
<b>Appointment</b> OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		<b>Term of Position: *</b> <i>1/1/2026</i> <b>to</b> <i>12/31/2027</i>  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>West Seattle</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98116</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> <i>[REDACTED]</i>
<b>Background:</b> <p>With over 20 years of executive leadership spanning media, advertising, government, nonprofit, and smart city sectors, I bring a corporate mindset with a mission-driven approach. As a business strategist and operator, I have led national and regional teams to achieve measurable results in revenue growth, product innovation, operational efficiency, and organizational development. My background includes executive roles in both corporate and nonprofit environments, giving me a unique ability to bridge sectors, align stakeholders, and drive sustainable impact.</p> <p>As a certified DEI leader, I prioritize building inclusive, high-performance cultures where diverse teams thrive and deliver. I've successfully co-created public-private partnerships, developed community impact strategies, and scaled growth initiatives with organizations ranging from Fortune 500 companies to grassroots nonprofits. My core strengths include launching and evolving go-to-market strategies, leading high-stakes fundraising, operational leadership, and business development initiatives, managing cross-functional operations, and overseeing complex P3 projects across diverse markets. I bring depth in strategic planning, talent development, and financial oversight, while fostering strong partnerships across internal departments, government entities, philanthropic groups, and community coalitions.</p> <p>Whether driving corporate innovation or advancing equity through nonprofit collaboration, my focus remains on long-term value creation, disruptive thinking, and purpose-driven business leadership.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i>  <b>Date signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i>  <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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## PAMELA QUADROS, MBA

### PROGRESSIVE LEADERSHIP | CULTIVATOR OF TALENT AND RELATIONSHIPS

I am a dynamic senior executive with a track record of revenue generation and financial performance. I have developed a reputation for action, team building, new product development, talent growth, and strategic partnerships during my career of increasing scope and responsibility. My management style lends itself to innovation and developing high-performing products, teams, and leaders through collaborative and inclusive work environments where talent can bring their whole selves to work. While maintaining high standards and providing appropriate recognition and rewards, I leverage collaborative, decisive, and investigative leadership to optimize day-to-day business. I am a true problem solver, experienced industry disrupter, and strategic thinker with a bias for action. I motivate my teams with an entrepreneurial mindset, strong business intuition, and technology growth.

#### LEADERSHIP

Employee Engagement & Development  
Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion  
Community Relations  
Cross-Functional Relationships  
Business Operations Management

#### EXECUTION

Forecasting, Reporting, Driving Revenue  
Customer Service & GTM Strategy  
KPIs and Product Development  
PNL & Budgeting  
Continuous Process Improvement

#### INFLUENCE

Masterful Networking & Negotiating  
Strategic Partnership Management  
Expert Business Development  
Sales, Marketing, & Analytics  
Coach, Mentor, Thought Leader

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Seattle Sports Commission**, Seattle, WA (January 1, 2024-Present)

#### Vice President of Partnerships

In collaboration with the CEO, the VP of Partnerships is tasked with developing and executing a diversified revenue strategy through strategic corporate partnerships, event ticket sales, membership dues, fundraising, and grants. This role involves managing relationships with commercial partners, overseeing proposal development, activations, fulfillment, and partnership renewals. The VP of Partnerships also spearheads community engagement efforts with local associations and neighborhoods. Additionally, they support the SSC Team in executing signature events and attracting world-class sporting events to Seattle. Furthermore, the VP leads fundraising initiatives for both the Commission and Foundation.

**Puget Sound Business Journal of American City Business Journals**– Seattle, WA (April 2021-Dec 2023)

#### Vice President of MultiMedia

I lead a team facilitating strategic multi-media solutions and projects for enterprise, midmarket, government, non-profit, and tech companies using digital media, strategic partnerships, event sponsorship, traditional advertising, research sales, and native thought leader communication and content. ACBJ hired me to change the office's culture, develop new initiatives to generate revenue, and improve internal and external communications to increase productivity by assessing the company's needs and priorities. Expertise includes day-to-day sales & marketing operations, development of operational efficiency, budget management, internal communications with the broader ACBJ organization, coaching, mentoring, training, and KPIs. The territory is part of Canada and the USA.

#### Highlights of Business Impact

- Led the division out of the Pandemic, surpassing revenue goals with out-of-the-box solutions to increase event, media, and research revenue.

**Coach PQ LLC** – Seattle, WA (a position held while obtaining an MBA and during the Pandemic) (2016-present)

#### Consultant

I specialized in helping businesses, governments, talent, and communities realize their potential and purpose while assisting in sales, marketing, and obtaining growth. Expertise includes mentoring, coaching, Management Development, Workplace Culture, Organizational Development, Revenue Generation, Community Non-Profits, Career Growth,



Recruitment, Sales & Marketing, Advertising Sales and development, Change Management, Personal Development, Team Building, Training Development, Trainer, Strategist, Consultant: government partnerships (P3) and development, Diversity and Inclusion training and implementation.

- Some clients include Girls Rock Math, Seattle Public Schools, OutFront Media, Lamar Advertising, and Supergraphics.

**Intersection Co. (Alphabet Company, formerly Titan Outdoor LLC, a private company) – Seattle, WA (2004-2016)**

**Vice President General Manager**

A disrupter in smart cities, Titan hired me as the first Vice President to lead the Go-To-Market strategy & start up the company across multiple markets. I also lead the launch and development of sales & marketing strategies, training, and the day-to-day operations in the Pacific Northwest territory, including the program management of the government partnership. Additionally, I facilitated the office climate & culture development with diversity and inclusion management. Finally, I met the division's financial & non-financial objectives through talent development, quantitative data analysis, effective communication, productivity, efficiency, and program management. Government partners included King County Metro, Sound Transit, Community Transit, Kitsap Transit, and Pierce Transit.

**Highlights of Business Impact**

- Grew advertising revenue for our transit partner from **\$5.7 million by \$2 million** per year for three years, reaching **over \$10 million** in revenue in the first half of our contract term
- During my tenure, I developed GTM strategies for eight new product lines that resulted in over \$19.5 million in new gross revenue, which is still in operation. This is a feat, considering some products sell for \$22 monthly.
- I received **Manager of the Year** due to outstanding operational leadership and exceeding sales projections.
- Established strategic partnership programs that led to an excess of **\$5M in cost savings** over 11 years
- Extended **government contract without RFP** process due to exceptional relationship management
- I was the lead representative for trade and other professional associations, community, government, and civic groups, as well as key accounts and industry leaders within media and advertising agencies.
- Program Manager of multiple projects, clients, and employees simultaneously, locally and nationally.

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**EDUCATION**

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**Diversity and Inclusion for HR Certification** – Cornell University (2020)

**Master of Business Administration (MBA)**- Southern New Hampshire University (2018)

**Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)** – British Columbia Institute of Technology | Thompson Rivers University

**Diploma of Technological Sales, Marketing Management** – British Columbia Institute of Technology

**Computer proficiency** – Salesforce, Microsoft Office, social media, CRM, and various proprietary software

**Professional sales training courses like** Brian Tracy, Integrity Selling, The Center for Sales Strategy, Pitney Bowes

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**COMMUNITY ACCOLADES & VOLUNTEERISM**

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Seattle Public Schools, Government and Non-profit volunteerism and paid contracting (2013-present)

**Outstanding Graduate** Master of Business Administration – Southern New Hampshire University (2019)

Golden Acorn Award Non-Profit award (2019)

Recognized as one of **Puget Sound's 40 under 40** (September 2013)

Essential Award, WestSide Baby (2013) Board Member

Titan Cares and various other board positions (2004-2016)

Recognized as one of **Clark County's Accomplished & under 40** (November 2003)

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Reappointment of Jim Rowe as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Jim Rowe</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Commercial Tenant</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Downtown Seattle</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98101</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> <i>[REDACTED]</i>
<b>Background:</b> <i>Jim Rowe is a leader in the Seattle restaurant industry and currently serves as Owner/President/CEO of E3 Co. LP (E3 Restaurant Group), the holding company for the premier destination restaurant group in the Pacific Northwest and operator of some of the city's best-known landmark restaurants.</i> <i>Prior to his current role, Rowe served as the company's chief financial officer for more than eight years. Before entering the restaurant business, he spent 13 years at Holland America Cruise Lines and four years in public accounting with Tremper &amp; Co., LLP.</i> <i>Jim has served on the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee since January 2020.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>   <b>Date signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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## **Jim Rowe Owner/CEO**

Jim Rowe is a leader in the Seattle restaurant industry and currently serves as President & CEO of E3 Co. LLC (E3 Co.), the holding company for the premier destination restaurant group in the Pacific Northwest and operator of some of the city's best-known landmark restaurants.

As Owner & CEO of E3 Co., Rowe manages day-to-day business operations, as well as the strategic direction of the company and its brands, which include The Metropolitan Grill, Elliott's Oyster House, Lobster Shop, and Wing Dome Restaurants. This group of restaurants was formerly owned by Consolidated Restaurants, Inc. (CRI) until January 1, 2018, when Rowe completed a deal to purchase the restaurants in which he became majority owner along with several minority owners.

While at E3 Co., Rowe has overseen several restaurants openings/remodels several strategic partnership negotiations including deals with the University of Washington, as well as the growth of the company's team and restaurants, in particular the expansion of the fast casual brands with the addition of Wing Dome.

Prior to his current role, Rowe served as the company's chief financial officer for several years. Before entering the restaurant business, he spent 13 years in the hospitality industry at Holland America Cruise Lines and four years in public accounting.

Rowe is an active member of the Washington Hospitality Association, and served on the board of directors for 9 years including the Chairman role for 3 of those. In his community, Rowe has served as president of the St. John's school board and helped raise \$1.5 M as chair of the parish capital campaign. He is active at the Washington Athletic Club and has served on the board of the 101 Club. In his free time, he play golf and enjoys time with his two daughters and grandson.

Rowe hails from Missoula, Montana, where he attended the University of Montana and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business with an emphasis in finance/accounting.

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Reappointment of Michelle A. Rusk as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Michelle A. Rusk</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>At-Large</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Pioneer Square</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98104</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> 
<b>Background:</b> <i>Lifelong Washingtonian and resident of Pioneer Square for nearly 10 years.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <b>Date signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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# MICHELLE A. RUSK

## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

**WASHINGTON HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - OFFICE OF PROGRAM RESEARCH** | Seattle & Olympia, WA Nov. 2021-present  
**Legal Counsel**

- Provide non-partisan, broad-ranging, legal support to members of the Washington State House of Representative including drafting bills and amendments, providing technical review and analysis of proposed legislation, and preparing bill analyses and legal memoranda
- Participate in public legislative hearings and work sessions including preparing and delivering bill briefings and presentations

**FOSTER GARVEY** | Seattle, WA Sept 2017 – Oct. 2021  
**Associate Attorney**  
**Summer Associate** (2015 and 2016)

- Represented public and private clients in a wide range of land use and real estate matters, including advising clients on local and state regulatory processes relating to property development, permitting, and environmental review
- Researched and drafted internal legal memoranda, motions, and briefs, and participated as a team member in all stages of litigation, including in trial and appellate proceedings in administrative and judicial forums

**SEATTLE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, CIVIL DIVISION - TORTS SECTION** | Seattle, WA Mar. 2016 – June 2016  
**Student Law Clerk**

- Performed legal research; drafted motions, including motions for summary judgments and associated declarations; investigated facts concerning evidentiary support for motions; and provided litigation assistance to section attorneys

**VETERANS PROJECT, NORTHWEST JUSTICE PROJECT** | Seattle, WA Jan. 2015 – May 2015  
**Student Law Clerk**

- Worked in coordination with attorneys on civil legal aid cases for veterans including child support and disability compensation appeals

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Staff Assistant/Intern Coordinator, U.S. House of Representatives** | Washington, D.C. Jan. 2011 – July 2012  
Implemented congressional internship program, coordinated constituent services & assisted with drafting legislative correspondence

**Marketing Assistant, Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce** | Saratoga Springs, NY July 2013 – Feb. 2014  
Promoted chamber membership of 3,000 businesses, events, and services, including drafting press releases and membership emails

**Marketing Coordinator, Saratoga Economic Development Corp.** | Saratoga Springs, NY Nov. 2013 – Aug. 2014  
Wrote all press releases, drafted articles for publications, and consulted on strategy related to County economic development

**Project Assistant** (hired as Receptionist), **Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough** | Charleston, SC Aug. 2012 – April 2013  
Assisted the national coordinating counsel for an energy company in litigation and settlement strategy, including coordination with legal counsel nationwide, management of multiple in-house databases, and participation in preparing documents as part of discovery.

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Board Member, Pioneer Square Residents' Council | Appointee, Seattle Central Waterfront Oversight Committee |  
Board Member, Latina/o Bar Association of Washington | Advisory Board Member, Whitworth Women's Leadership Network

## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW** | Seattle, WA June 2017  
Juris Doctor (Graduated with Honors)

*Activities:* Associate Editor-in-Chief, Washington International Law Journal, | 3L Representative, Student Bar Association  
President, Women's Law Caucus | Treasurer, Latina/o Law Student Assoc. | Veterans Law Moot Court, Speaker Award

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY** | Arlington, VA | Paralegal Certificate March 2013

**WHITWORTH UNIVERSITY** | Spokane, WA May 2011

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Minor in Spanish - *magna cum laude*

*Honors and Activities:* Provost's Honor Roll | Laureate Society Member, 3.75+ GPA | Mind & Heart Scholar | Political Science

*Study Abroad:* University of Guanajuato in Guanajuato, Mexico (January 2009)

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Reappointment of Ryan Smith as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Ryan Smith</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Central Waterfront Oversight Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Owner of an Office Property</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2027  <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Mercer Island</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <b>98040</b>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> Ryan Smith oversees the operations of Martin Smith Inc, a local owner and operator of commercial real estate in Seattle, WA. Martin Smith Inc's portfolio includes 15 historic properties in Downtown Seattle. Some of the notable Landmark assets in their portfolio include the Occidental Mall, Piers 55 & 56, the 1201 Western Building, Terminal Sales Building, and Poll Building.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>    <b>Date signed (appointed): 11/6/2025</b>		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Joy Hollingsworth</i> <i>Seattle City Councilmember</i>

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**Ryan Smith**

*President of Martin Smith Inc*

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In addition to operating these landmark properties, Ryan has been active in the civic development of Seattle, serving on boards of The Alliance for Pioneer Square, Friends of Waterfront Seattle, The Downtown Seattle Association, The Seattle Historic Waterfront Association, The Metropolitan Improvement District Ratepayer Advisory Board, and the Waterfront Park Conservancy.



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Reappointment of Donny Stevenson as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

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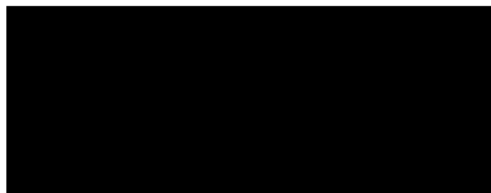
## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Donny Stevenson		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		<b>Position Title:</b> At- Large (Environmental)
<b>Appointment OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> Auburn	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98092	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> Mr. Stevenson is a dedicated and knowledgeable Tribal Governance professional with a strong background in Executive Management and Human Resources who has dedicated his career and professional development to help further the success and sovereignty of Tribal communities and service people. In 2017, he was elected as a top-level leader of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe as a Tribal Council Member and Vice Chairman.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>   October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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## Donny Stevenson

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### Summary Statement

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I am a dedicated and knowledgeable Tribal Governance professional with a strong background in Executive Management and Human Resources who has dedicated my career and professional development to help further the success and sovereignty of Tribal communities and serving people. I have had the unique opportunity to develop from entry level of employment beginning 23 years ago, through recruited Executive Management/ Director-level experience within Tribal Government and Tribal Gaming. Most recently in 2017, I have also been fortunate enough to have received the overwhelming support of my Tribal community and been elected as a top-level leader of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe as a Tribal Council Member and Vice Chairman. The sum of this experience, along with my education and professional certifications, combine to provide me a unique ability and insight regarding the successful navigation of issues, programs and personnel in Indian Country, Tribal Government and organizational development in general which is extremely valuable. I am passionate about the continued growth and development of opportunity within Indian Country and Tribes. It is truly a transitional period in the history of Native American people; as a professional, I believe I have the ability to make a positive difference and impact in this setting daily and to watch those positive influences play out both immediately and for the Seventh Generation and beyond.

### Professional Achievements

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Vice-Chairman, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn WA: 4/2019-present

Tribal Council Member, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn WA: 1/2018-4/2019

Human Resources Director, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn WA: 01/2015-1/2018

Employment Services Manager, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn WA: 10/2010-12/2013

Employee Relations Specialist, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn WA: 9/2005-10/2010

Assistant Director of Security, Muckleshoot Indian Casino, Auburn WA: 10/2003-06/2005

Security Shift Manager, Muckleshoot Indian Casino, Auburn WA: 10/2000-10/2003

Assistant Security Shift Manager, Muckleshoot Indian Casino, Auburn WA: 10/1999-10-2000

Security Supervisor, Muckleshoot Indian Casino, Auburn WA: 9/1998-10-1999

Security Officer, Muckleshoot Indian Casino, Auburn WA: 9/1997-9/1998

#### Human Resources Professional Certifications

- SHRM Senior Professional In Human Resources: 5/2010-present
- NNAHRA Tribal Human Resources Professional: 7/2011-present
- Society For Human Resources Management Member: 11/2006-present

#### Training and Organizational Development

- Certified Facilitator Franklin Covey; 6/2009-present
- Certified Instructor American Heart Association: 1/2003-present
- Certified Instructor American Red Cross: 10/2006-present
- Certified Instructor Native Wellness Institute: 09/2006-present

#### Workplace Investigations

- Advanced Certification in the Reid Technique of Interview and Interrogation: 01/2003-present
- Brinkman and Chersky Investigating Harassment Complaints Certification: 02/2007-present
- TSPS Background Investigation and Adjudication Certification: 02/2015-present

#### HRIS / HRMS

- ADP ReportSmith I Certification: 11/2008-current
- iCIMS Applicant Certification 1/2010-current

#### Education

- Bachelor of Liberal Arts / Native American Studies, The Evergreen State College, Olympia WA: 06/2006

### **References**

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Reappointment of Leslie Veloz as member, Central Waterfront Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2027.

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## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Leslie Veloz		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		<b>Position Title:</b> At-Large
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> SODO	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98104	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> <i>Leslie Veloz is a Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Attorney at Hintze Law PLLC. Leslie offers clients pragmatic and results-driven legal counsel on U.S. and international AI, privacy, and cybersecurity issues as well as the establishment, integration, and management of effective privacy programs. She provides guidance to a diverse range of clients from innovative startups to Fortune 100 corporations. Her mission is to bridge the gap between the complexities of technology and the everyday lives of people, ensuring a brighter, more secure digital future for all. When she's not navigating the intricacies of data privacy and cybersecurity, you can find her dedicated to uplifting and supporting the local community. Leslie currently serves on the board of directors for the Latina/o Bar Association of Washington (LBAW) and the Eastside Legal Assistance Program (ELAP).</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>   October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle

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## Leslie Veloz, Esq.

Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Attorney

Admitted in Washington State [REDACTED]

### CERTIFICATIONS

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Certified Information Privacy Professional – United States (CIPP/US)

Certified Information Privacy Manager (CIPM)

Certified Information Privacy Technologist (CIPT)

### EXPERIENCE

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**Hintze Law**, Seattle, Washington

November 2021 – Present

*Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Associate*

Offer clients pragmatic and results-driven legal counsel on U.S. and international AI, privacy, and cybersecurity issues as well as the establishment, integration, and management of effective privacy programs. Provide guidance to a diverse range of clients from innovative startups to Fortune 100 corporations. Substantive areas of expertise include breach response, AI/ML risk assessment and mitigation, health privacy, privacy and security by design, vendor risk management, privacy assessments, internal privacy policies, joint controller and data processing agreements, external privacy notices, children privacy, U.S. state comprehensive and federal privacy laws, the GDPR, global incident response and data breach notification.

**T-Mobile**, Seattle, Washington

May 2021 – November 2021

*Privacy Legal Intern*

As the first-ever Privacy Legal Intern, conducted legal research and writing on various data protection and privacy laws, regulations, and industry standards. Collaborated with internal clients to assess products for privacy impacts and worked with attorneys and technologists to address complex privacy issues. Additionally, attended Legal Privacy meetings, provided summaries and analysis, and assisted the Privacy team with diverse legal privacy projects, including product reviews, analyzing new laws, drafting policies, and negotiating privacy terms in contracts.

### LEADERSHIP & MEMBERSHIPS

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- WSBA Legal Technology Task Force
  - Education and Ethics Workgroup Member, 2024 - Present
- Eastside Legal Assistance Program (ELAP)
  - Board of Directors, 2024 - Present
- Latina/o Bar Association of Washington (LBAW)
  - Vice President of Development, 2023 - Present
- International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)
- Loren Miller Bar Association (LMBA)
- Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA)

### EDUCATION

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**Seton Hall University School of Law**, Newark, NJ

Juris Doctor

**University at Buffalo**, Buffalo, NY

Bachelor of Arts

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

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- Guest Lecturer – “Privacy & AI in Business,” **University of Washington Masters in Entrepreneurship Program** - November 18, 2024, Seattle, WA
- Guest Lecturer – “The Right to Privacy in the Digital Age,” **Temple University** – November 14, 2024, Online
- *CLE Presenter* – “Cybersecurity Tabletop Exercise: What are they, and why should your company do them?” **The Masters Conference** - September 18, 2024, Seattle, WA
- *CLE Presenter* – “Broad AI Ethical Considerations,” **NBI** - July 15, 2024, Online
- *Co-Presenter* – “Demystifying Data Protection Assessment Requirements In State Privacy Laws,” **Washington State Bar Association CLE** - April 10, 2024, Online
- *Panelist* – “CTRL+ALT+DELICATE: Navigating the Legal, Ethical, & Regulatory AI Landscape,” **HNBA VIA Corporate Counsel Conference** - March 21, 2024, Seattle, WA
- *Co-Presenter* – “Privacy 101,” **Seattle University School of Law** - March 5, 2024, Seattle, WA
- *CLE Presenter* – “Artificial Intelligence in the Law Practice,” **The Seminar Group** - December 12, 2023, Seattle, WA
- *Guest Lecturer* – “Navigating the Legal Landscape of AI in Business,” **University of Washington Masters in Entrepreneurship Program** - November 13, 2023, Seattle, WA
- *CLE Presenter* – “Understanding AI: Technical & Legal Perspectives,” **Latino Bar Association of Washington** - October 12, 2023, Seattle, WA
- *CLE Presenter* – “Privacy 101,” **Latino Bar Association of Washington** - September 29, 2023, Seattle, WA
- *CLE Presenter* – “Privacy Impact Assessment Training,” **T-Mobile** - May 4, 2023, Seattle, WA
- *Panelist* – “Industry Talk: Privacy Law,” **Northeast Black Law Students Association 54th Regional Convention** - February 25, 2022, Mashantucket, CT

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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- “[Florida's Comprehensive Privacy Law Enacted](#),” **Hintze Law Blog** - June 8, 2023
- “[Hintze Global Privacy & Security Updates](#),” **Hintze Law Blog** - March 30, 2023
- “[Utah's Social Media Regulation Act - Overview of Privacy & Business Impact](#),” **Hintze Law Blog** - March 27, 2023
- “[Hintze Law Global Privacy Updates](#),” **Hintze Law Blog** - October 25, 2022

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6	F	3	15.	Pike Place Market PDA	Rachel Ligtenberg	9/1/25			Executive Director (or designee)
			16.	Seattle Aquarium Society	Peggy Sloan	1/1/26			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)
6	M	4	17.	Downtown Seattle Association/MID	Jon Scholes	12/31/19			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)

6	M	NA	18.	Seattle Historic Waterfront Association	Bob C. Donegan	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
6	F	2	19.	Alliance for Pioneer Square	Lisa Dixon Howard	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
	F		20.	Port of Seattle	Geri Poor	1/1/24			Executive Director (or designee)

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	0								3			
Council	1	2					1			2			
Other	3	3								5			
Total	7	5					1			10			

**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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### CITY OF SEATTLE

#### ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

#### COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities or designee to acquire by negotiation or eminent domain (condemnation) a parcel of land in Seattle, for utility purposes identified as King County Parcel Number 152504-9010 located at 4000 NE 41st St. and to execute, accept, and record deeds, conveyance documents, and agreements deemed by the General Manager/CEO to be necessary to this transaction on behalf of the City; placing the real property under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing payment of all other costs associated with the acquisition; amending Ordinance 127362, which adopted the 2026 Budget including the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) owns, maintains, and operates a system of sanitary sewerage, stormwater and surface water drainage as part of its drainage and wastewater system; and

WHEREAS, under the Washington State Hydraulic Code, administered by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), certain types of streams, culverts, and pipe storm drains maintained by SPU must be made fish passable when they are repaired or replaced; and

WHEREAS, SPU owns a pipe storm drain (PSD) located on the privately-owned property that contains a segment of Yesler Creek which does not meet the established WDFW fish passage standard; and

WHEREAS, SPU determined it will need additional property rights to comply with WDFW fish passage requirements; and

WHEREAS, SPU also determined the fee acquisition of this privately-owned property is suitable for, and needed to, construct and operate stormwater control facilities and for other utility or general municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, following the acquisition of the property, SPU will undertake capital projects to make the

stormwater pipe fish passable and to construct other on-site stormwater control facilities; and

WHEREAS, SPU will engage in a multi-year process to work with the community, Tribes, and resource agencies to determine the best way to daylight the creek, elongate its path through the property, and restore the 100-year floodplain and adjacent buffer areas; and

WHEREAS, SPU will coordinate with downstream property owners as it connects the creek to the downstream outlet at Yesler Swamp; and

WHEREAS, RCW 8.12.030, 35.67.020, and 35.92.020 authorize The City of Seattle to purchase or condemn property for utility or general municipal purposes; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Public convenience and necessity require the property identified in the records of the King County Assessor as Parcel Number 152504-9010, situated in the City of Seattle, County of King, State of Washington, together with all rights, privileges, and other property thereto, legally described and depicted in Attachment 1 of this ordinance to be acquired through negotiation or eminent domain (condemnation), for public utility purposes.

Section 2. The General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities or designee is authorized on behalf of the City to negotiate and to enter into agreements to acquire the real property in Section 1 of this ordinance and, upon payment of just compensation, to accept and record deeds and other necessary instruments on behalf of the City; to provide relocation assistance to the extent required by law to the occupants of the properties; and to enter into agreements with the existing owners and tenants as needed to facilitate the successful acquisition of the properties.

Section 3. The Seattle City Attorney is authorized to commence and prosecute proceedings in the manner provided by law to condemn, take, damage, and appropriate in fee simple the real property or other property rights described in Section 1 of this ordinance, after just compensation has been made or paid into court for the owners thereof in the manner provided by law. The Seattle City Attorney is further authorized to



enter into a stipulation agreement for the purpose of minimizing damages.

Section 4. To pay for necessary capital costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred in 2026, but for which insufficient appropriations were made due to causes that could not reasonably have been foreseen at the time of making the 2026 Budget, appropriations in the 2026 Adopted Budget and project allocations in the 2026 -2031 Adopted Capital Improvement Program are increased as follows:

Item	Department	Fund	Budget Summary Level/BCL Code	CIP Project Name/ID	CIP Project Appropriation Change (\$)
1.1	Seattle Public Utilities	Drainage & Wastewater Fund (44010)	Drainage and Wastewater Infrastructure (BC-SU-C390B)	Citywide Programs (MC-SU-C3901)	\$9,200,000
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$9,200,000</b>

Section 5. The real property, when acquired by the City, shall be placed under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities and designated for utility purposes.

Section 6. If Seattle Public Utilities determines, after completing its plans for making the segment of Yesler Creek fish passable, that any part of the real property in Section 1 of this ordinance is surplus, Seattle Public Utilities will first conduct a process to determine if the surplus property is needed for other City purposes. Seattle Public Utilities will provide public notice, conduct community outreach to nearby residents, property owners, and community groups. Seattle Public Utilities will also conduct public hearings pursuant to RCW 35.94.040.

Section 7. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by a 3/4 vote of all the members of the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved /    returned unsigned /    vetoed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Legal Description of Parcel Number 152504-9010

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

### **Legal Description of Parcel Number 152504-9010**

That portion of Government Lot 2 and of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 25 North, Range 4 East, Willamette Meridian, in King County, Washington, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 4, Block 3, Town of Yesler, according to the plat thereof, recorded in volume 2 of plats, page 180, in King County, Washington;

Thence Easterly along the production of the Southerly line of said Lot 4 to an intersection with a line parallel with and 30.00 feet Easterly of, measured at right angles to, the Easterly line of 38th Avenue Northeast (formerly Wilkes Street), as shown on said plat and the True Point of Beginning;

Thence Southerly along the Easterly line of a strip of land deeded to the City of Seattle, by deed recorded under recording number 3078749, records of said county, following a curve to the right having a radius of 100.00 feet to an intersection with a line parallel with and 20.00 feet Easterly of, measured at right angles to, the Easterly line of said 38th avenue Northeast;

Thence continuing on the Easterly line of said deeded strip, Southerly along said parallel line to an intersection with the Northerly line of East 41st Street as condemned under King County Superior Court Cause Number 81242, as provided by Ordinance Number 26926 of the City of Seattle;

Thence Easterly along said Northerly line to the Westerly line of Laurelhurst, an Addition to the City of Seattle, according to the plat thereof, recorded in volume 14 of plats, page 15, in King County, Washington;

Thence Northerly along said Westerly line to the Southerly line of North Laurelhurst Park, according to the plat thereof, recorded in volume 35 of plats, page 36, in King County, Washington;

Thence South 89°31'32" West along said Southerly line 334.56 feet to the Southwest corner of said North Laurelhurst Park;

Thence South 0°26'03" East 29.00 feet;

Thence South 89°31'32" West parallel with the Southerly line of East 45th Street, 374.79 feet;

Thence North 0°26'03" West 22.31 feet, more or less, to a point from which the true point of beginning bears North 89°00'00" West;

Thence North 89°00'00" West 193.45 feet to the True Point of Beginning.

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF KING, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

## **SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE**

<b>Department:</b>	<b>Dept. Contact:</b>	<b>CBO Contact:</b>
Seattle Public Utilities	Cristofer Horbelt	Akshay Iyengar

### **1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities or designee to acquire by negotiation or eminent domain (condemnation) a parcel of land in Seattle, for utility purposes identified as King County Parcel Number 152504-9010 located at 4000 NE 41st St. and to execute, accept, and record deeds, conveyance documents, and agreements deemed by the General Manager/CEO to be necessary to this transaction on behalf of the City; placing the real property under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing payment of all other costs associated with the acquisition; amending Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_, which adopted the 2026 Budget including the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

#### **Summary and Background of the Legislation:**

Seattle Public Utilities owns a pipe storm drain that contains a segment of Yesler Creek that crosses a 17.8-acre private property in the Laurelhurst neighborhood. The pipe is approximately 63 years old and could fail or require substantial repairs in the near future. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife will not allow SPU to repair or replace the pipe unless it is made fish passable. The private property owners have plans for a major new development which, if completed, would make it dramatically more difficult and costly for SPU to make the drainage pipe fish passable. The utility determined the property is also suitable for stormwater control facilities because the area needs additional stormwater drainage facilities to manage increased flows.

SPU and the property owner conducted their own appraisals of the property. After extensive negotiations and mediation, SPU and the owner agreed the fair market value of the property is \$64.26 million. This legislation authorizes the General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities to acquire the property through negotiation or condemnation and places it under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities. The legislation would also amend the 2026 Adopted budget and the 2026-2031 Adopted Capital Improvement Program to include \$9,200,000 for the purchase. Although this legislation authorizes condemnation, the property owner and SPU have reached a negotiated purchase and sale agreement. Condemnation authority is necessary because the negotiations took place under the threat of condemnation, and authorizing condemnation in these circumstances is necessary for the seller to receive tax benefits they are entitled to.

In addition, if SPU determines, after completing its plans for making the segment of Yesler Creek fish passable, that any part of the real property acquired is surplus, SPU will first conduct a process to determine if the surplus property is needed for other City purposes. SPU will provide public notice, conduct community outreach to nearby residents, property owners, and community groups. SPU will also conduct public hearings pursuant to RCW 35.94.040.

## 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?

☒ Yes ☐ No

## 3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Expenditure Change (\$);	2026	2027 est.	2028 est.	2029 est.	2030 est.
Other Funds	\$9,200,000				

### 3.a. Appropriations

☒ This legislation adds, changes, or deletes appropriations.

Fund Name and Number	Dept	Budget Control Level Name/Number	2026 Appropriation Change
Drainage & Wastewater Fund – 44010	SPU	BC-SU-C390B - New DWW Infrastructure	\$9,200,000
TOTAL			\$9,200,000

The 2026 Adopted Budget contains \$55 million for this purchase. This ordinance adds \$9.2 million in appropriations from Drainage and Wastewater funds to make up the difference between the budgeted amount and the \$64.26 million purchase price. This increases funding in the Citywide Programs Master Project (MC-SU-C3901).

### 3.d. Other Impacts

**Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.**

No. However, following acquisition of the property the utility would undertake capital projects to make the stormwater pipe fish passable and construct other on-site stormwater control facilities. The cost of those projects is not known now and will be evaluated as part of SPU's upcoming Strategic Business Plan development process and folded into its long-range capital planning. A 5-10-year planning horizon is expected to allow for work with the community, Tribes, and resource agencies to determine how best to daylight the creek, elongate its path through the property, and restore the 100-year floodplain and adjacent buffer areas. Other work and coordination with downstream property owners is also necessary to connect the creek to its downstream outlet at Yesler Swamp.

**If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.**

N/A

**Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.**

If SPU does not purchase this property now, it would need to condemn the developed property in the future at a much greater financial cost to make its pipe fish passable.

**Please describe how this legislation may affect any City departments other than the originating department.**

N/A

#### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

**a. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**

No.

**b. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?**

Yes.

**c. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

Yes. Parcel Number 152504-9010 located at 4000 NE 41st St.

**d. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.**

**i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.**

Replacing culverts that impede fish passage supports Tribal treaty rights. SPU is committed to restoring fish passage and supporting those treaty rights and regional salmon recovery and will replace the existing culvert with a structure that can support fish passage. Removing culverts to improve fish habitat is an important step to honoring the tribes' right of taking fish.

**ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**

N/A.

**iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**

N/A



**e. Climate Change Implications**

- i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

This legislation would not materially increase or decrease carbon emissions.

- ii. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

This legislation will increase Seattle's resiliency by adding stormwater control facilities to better manage higher flows during storm events.

- f. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

This legislation does not include a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion.

- g. Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**

No.

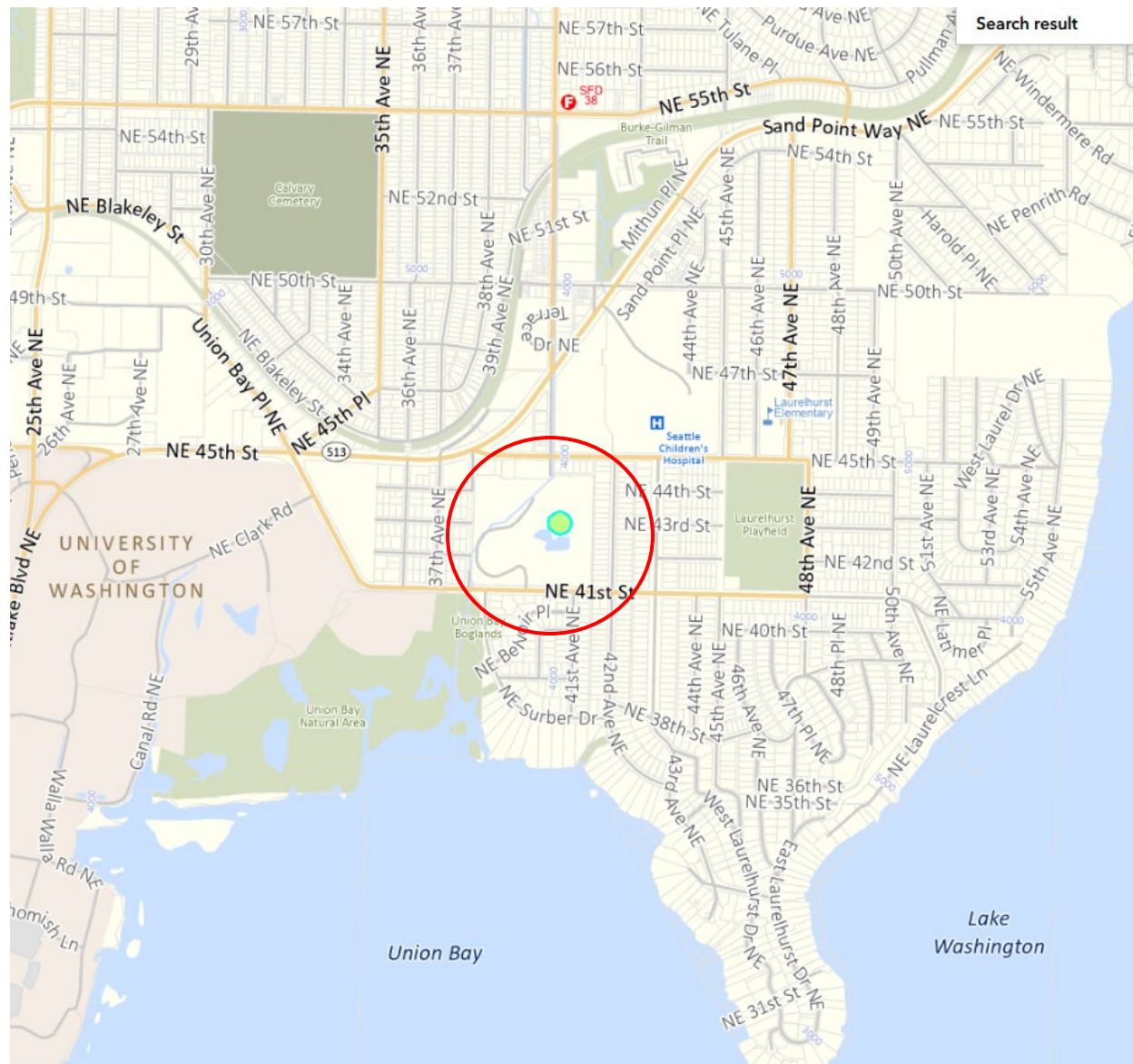
## 5. ATTACHMENTS

**Summary Attachments:**

Summary Exhibit A – Maps of Properties to be Acquired

Summary Exhibit B – Revised Citywide Programs CIP Project Page

## Exhibit A – Maps of Property to be Acquired



Summary Ex A – Maps of Property to be Acquired  
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## Citywide Programs

<b>Project No:</b>	MC-SU-C3901	<b>BSL Code:</b>	BC-SU-C390B
<b>Project Type:</b>	Ongoing	<b>BSL Name:</b>	Drainage and Wastewater Infrastructure
<b>Project Category:</b>	New Facility	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Current Project Stage:</b>	N/A	<b>Council District:</b>	
<b>Start/End Date:</b>	N/A	<b>Neighborhood District:</b>	
<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	N/A	<b>Urban Village:</b>	

This project consists of different programs that plan and oversee citywide capital projects for specific purposes. These include meeting our regulatory obligations, using GSI to retrofit impervious areas and embed DWW system improvements as part of projects led by external partners, and upgrading system infrastructure in environmentally critical areas to help safeguard our customers and prevent system failure.

<b>Resources</b>	<b>LTD Actuals</b>	<b>2025 Revised</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>2031</b>	<b>Total</b>
Drainage and Wastewater Rates	-	-	<del>67,465</del> <u>76,665</u>	13,145	10,940	16,060	18,705	23,780	<del>150,095</del> <u>159,295</u>
<b>Total:</b>	-	-	<del>67,465</del> <u>76,665</u>	<b>13,145</b>	<b>10,940</b>	<b>16,060</b>	<b>18,705</b>	<b>23,780</b>	<del>150,095</del> <u>159,295</u>
<b>Fund Appropriations / Allocations *</b>	<b>LTD Actuals</b>	<b>2025 Revised</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>2031</b>	<b>Total</b>
Drainage and Wastewater Fund	-	-	<del>67,465</del> <u>76,665</u>	13,145	10,940	16,060	18,705	23,780	<del>150,095</del> <u>159,295</u>
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## O&M Impacts

\* Funds are appropriated through the Adopted Budget at the Budget Summary Level. All Amounts shown above are in thousands of dollars



# Acquisition Ordinance

Seattle City Council  
Parks, Public Utilities & Technology Committee  
December 10, 2025

SPU Property Acquisition

# Purpose of Legislation

- Authorizes Seattle Public Utilities to acquire a parcel in the Laurelhurst neighborhood of northeast Seattle.
- Appropriates additional \$9.2M to augment the \$55 million in the 2026 Adopted Budget.
- Amends the 2026-2031 CIP to reflect higher project spending.

# Why?

Acquisition allows SPU to comply with Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) requirements.

Yesler Creek flows within an SPU-owned piped storm drain that bisects the property.

The pipe is considered a fish barrier and will need to be removed at SPU's expense when it fails.

The pipe will need to be replaced with an open creek channel.

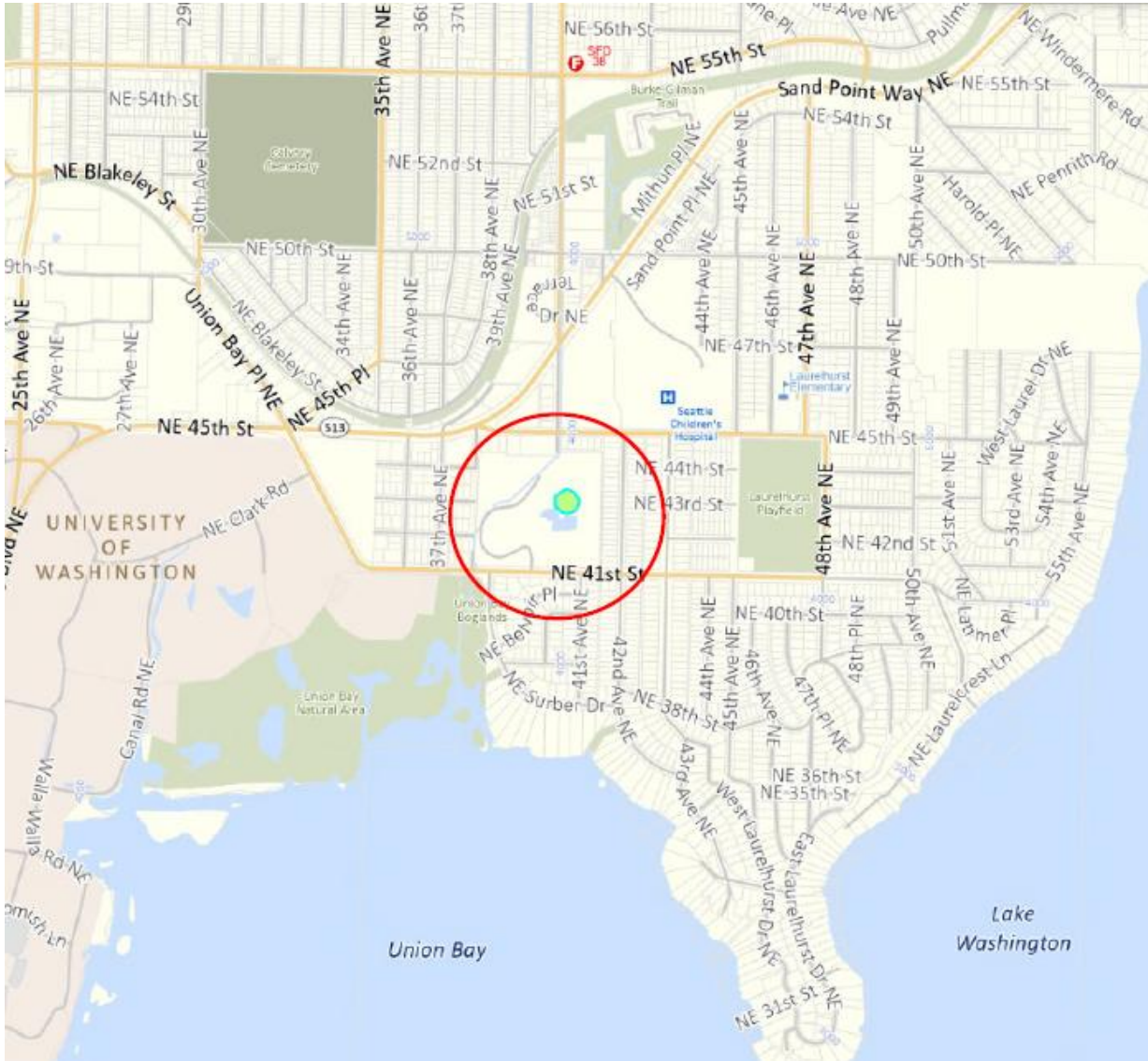
Development proposal came in to build over the pipe.

SPU's 20 ft easement is not sufficient for this work.

# Why Now?

- Preemptively buying the property now protects ratepayers from paying to remove the development and displace homeowners when the pipe fails.





# Property Location

## Council District 4



## Property Location

**4000 NE 41<sup>st</sup> St**

owned by

4000 Property LLC



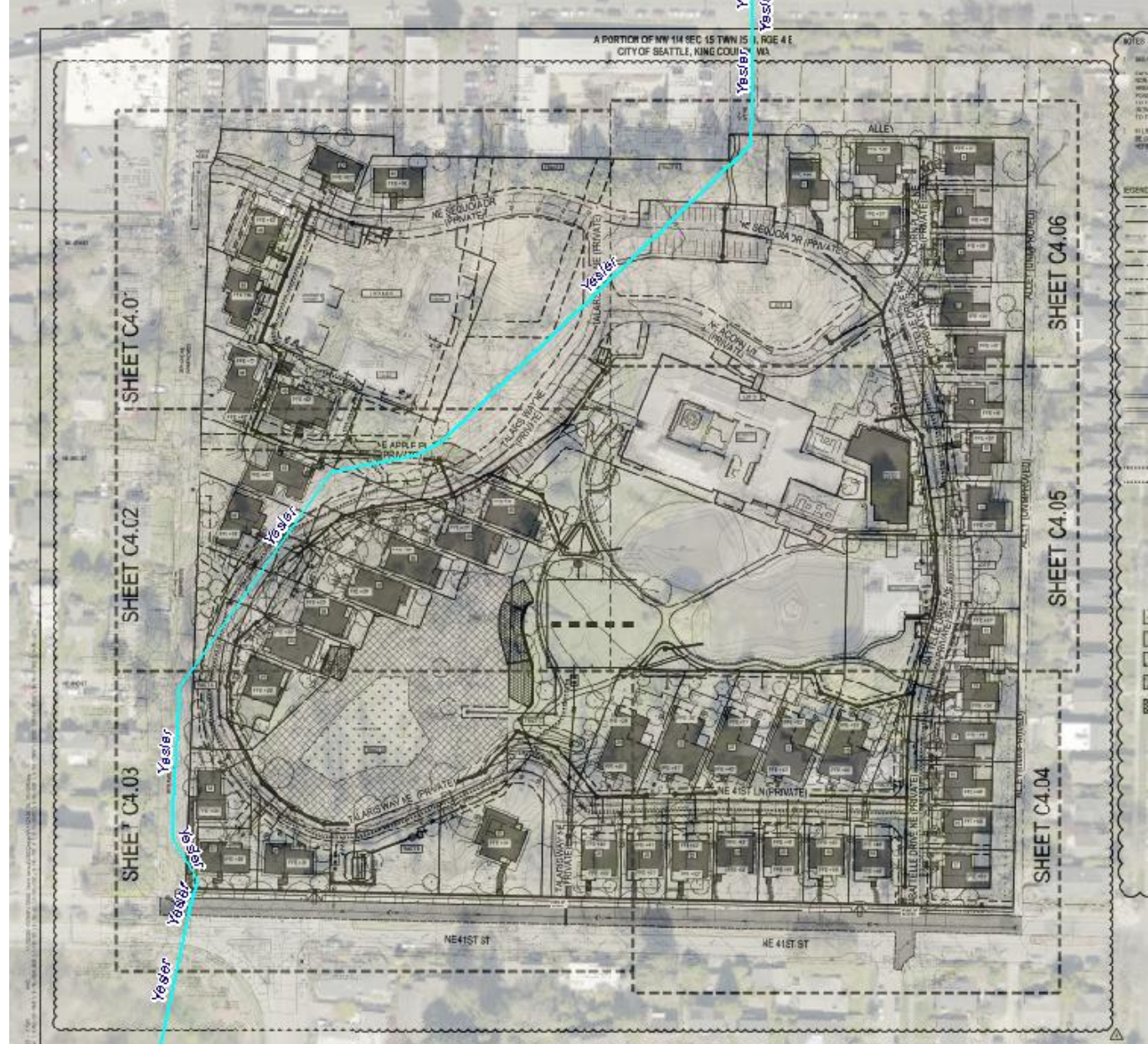
# Background

- SPU owns the 72-inch diameter storm drain that conveys Yesler Creek through the property.
- The storm drain is part of a larger drainage system serving an 890-acre basin.



# Previous Development Proposal

- Proposal:
  - 48 new single-family homes
- Challenges:
  - Existing SPU infrastructure
  - WDFW requirements





# WDFW Feedback

- SPU consulted with WDFW about development
- WDFW conveyed fish passage requirements
- SPU determined that more room was needed to comply with fish passage requirements



*Illustration for Demonstration Purposes – Not to Scale*

# Transaction Details

Acquisition in Fee Title

\$64.2M estimated cost of property

Funds authorized in 2026 Adopted Budget

Legislation also amends SPU 2026 budget authority

# Next Steps



- Community Engagement
- Property Management

# Next Steps, cont'd

- Establish site needs, evaluate disposition
- Incorporate into upcoming SPU 2026-2030 Strategic Business Plan process
- Pursue funding and partnership opportunities for project



# When Completed



Mapes Creek at Be'er Sheva Park

- Additional open space
- Open and elongated natural creek channel
- Additional flood storage
- Benefits for fish species



# Questions?

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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** CB 121137, **Version:** 1

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### CITY OF SEATTLE

### ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

### COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE amending the Amended Landscape Conservation and Infrastructure Program Funding Plan for the South Lake Union and Downtown as adopted by Ordinance 127252; amending Ordinance 127156, which adopted the 2025 Budget, including the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program; changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; making an appropriation from the Park and Recreation Fund for related costs; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

WHEREAS, the Seattle Parks Foundation, a non-profit organization, was created in 1999 to provide funds, project support, and advocacy to improve and expand Seattle's parks and greenspaces; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2025-2030 Adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes \$1.4 million in 2025 and \$2.3 million in 2026 of Real Estate Excise Tax proceeds to support revitalization of Westlake Plaza; and

WHEREAS, the CIP lists possible uses for this funding, including removal of certain park features, including an out-of-commission fountain in the form of a waterwall, stage and accompanying arch, electrical system upgrades, and repairs to paving and trip hazards, among other investments; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on November 21, 2024, adopted the CIP in Ordinance 127156; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a settlement agreement in November 2025 to address concerns raised by the artist who originally designed the Seven Hills artwork at Westlake Park in which the City committed to expand the scope of the project to include the removal, storage, and eventual relocation of the Seven Hills sculptures and certain elements of the waterwall and arch; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Parks and Recreation received revenues through the Landscape Conservation and Local

Infrastructure Program (LCLIP) in excess of planned 2025 revenues; and

WHEREAS, Westlake Park is within the LCLIP Project area; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Amended Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program Infrastructure Funding Plan for South Lake Union and Downtown is adopted as shown in Attachment A to this ordinance.

Section 2. In order to pay for necessary costs and expenses, but for which insufficient appropriations were made due to causes that could not reasonably have been foreseen at the time of the making of the 2025 Budget, appropriations for the following items in the 2025 Budget are increased from the funds shown, as follows:

Item	Department	Fund	Budget Summary Level/BCL Code	Amount
2.1	Seattle Parks and Recreation	Park and Recreation Fund (10200)	Building for the Future (BC-PR-20000)	\$1,000,000

Section 3. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by a 3/4 vote of all the members of the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved /      returned unsigned /      vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

**Attachments:**

Attachment A - Amended Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program Infrastructure Funding Plan for South Lake Union and Downtown

# **Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program**

## **Infrastructure Funding Plan For South Lake Union and Downtown**

**June 13, 2013**  
**Amended June 25, 2025**  
**Amended December 16, 2025**

This plan outlines potential infrastructure investments that could be implemented through funding generated by the Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program (LCLIP) that is being proposed by the City of Seattle in cooperation with King County. While specific funding decisions will be made by the City based on the amount of funding available, project timing, opportunities to leverage outside funds, opportunities to leverage developer improvements, and other factors, this plan outlines the scope of potential items that could be funded through this program. Funding of any items not included in this plan through the LCLIP program would require modification of the plan by legislative action. All dollar amounts are in 2012 dollars.

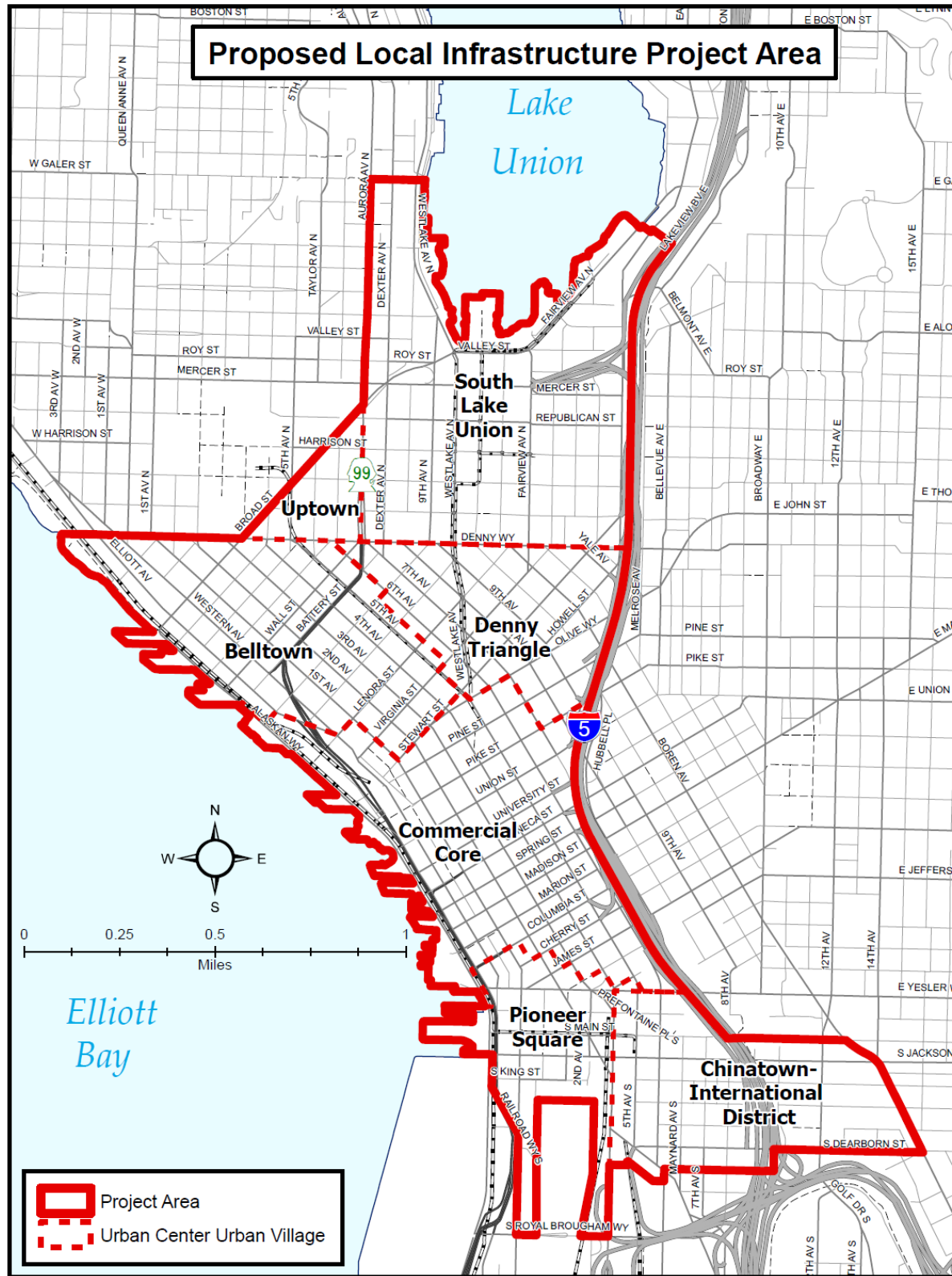
### **Background**

The City of Seattle, in cooperation with King County, is proposing to implement the LCLIP program in the neighborhoods of South Lake Union and Downtown. The LCLIP program allows cities to receive a portion of future county property tax revenue for local infrastructure investments if they implement a program to obtain regional Transferable Development Rights (TDR). The City is proposing to meet the requirements for capturing TDRs through the incentive zoning program in South Lake Union and Downtown. The overall purpose of the Infrastructure Funding and Regional TDR Programs is to preserve farm and forest land by transferring development capacity from these lands to cities and generate funds for local infrastructure projects in the communities where the additional development capacity is located.

The Regional TDR program would be implemented by requiring developers to earn extra floor area and height in part by purchasing and extinguishing development rights (also known as TDR credits) from regional farms and forests.

In exchange for implementing a Regional TDR Program through the City's incentive zoning program, the City would be entitled to receive 17.44% of property tax revenue from new development occurring in the Local Infrastructure Project Area (LIPA) for up to 25 years according to the standards of RCW 39.108. The boundary area of the proposed LIPA is shown below.





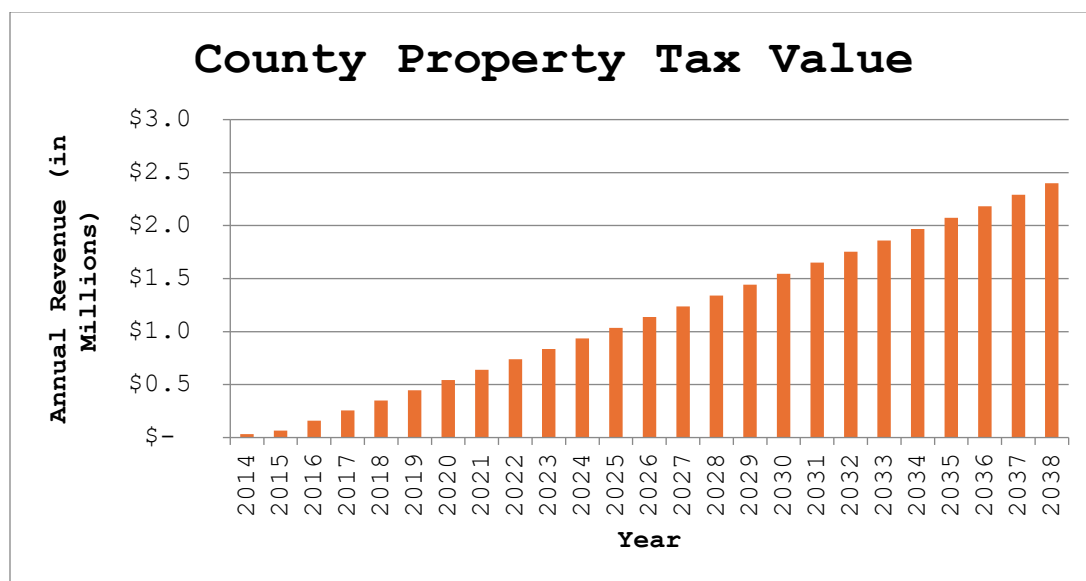
This funding would be contingent on meeting certain thresholds over time. The initial length of the program would be 10 years. The program would be extended to:

- 15 years if 400 credits are obtained within 9.5 years;
- 20 years if 600 credits are obtained within 14.5 years; or
- 25 years if 800 credits are obtained within 19.5 years.

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## **SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE**

<b>Department:</b>	<b>Dept. Contact:</b>	<b>CBO Contact:</b>
Parks and Recreation	Michele Finnegan	Alex Rouse

### **1. BILL SUMMARY**

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The City's 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes \$1.4 million in 2025 and \$2.3 million in 2026 of Real Estate Excise Tax proceeds to support revitalization of Westlake Plaza as part of the Downtown Activation Plan (DAP).

The project began in October 2025, and the original scope included demolition of the fountain and arch. A November 2025 settlement with the artist who designed the Seven Hills resulted in an expanded project scope to include removal and storage of the Seven Hills sculptures and certain elements of the waterwall and arch.

Additional funding is needed to accommodate the extra work associated with these adjustments and project delays associated with negotiating the settlement. The cost of these changes is currently estimated at \$1.0-\$1.3 million. Given that Westlake Park is within the footprint of the existing Landscape Conservation and Infrastructure Program (LCLIP), the proposed funding approach includes the use of LCLIP revenues following modification of the LCLIP funding plan approved by City Council in July 2025 via Ordinance 127252. The LCLIP revenues are higher than anticipated and are sufficient to cover the increased project costs.

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Therefore, the legislation is proposing the following actions to implement the settlement agreement and complete the Westlake Park improvement project.

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## 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Project Name:	Master Project I.D.:	Project Location:	Start Date:	End Date:	Total Project Cost Through 2030:
Parks LCLIP Improvements	MC-PR-21017	Westlake Park	December 2025	December 2026	\$9,000,000

The Westlake Park project is one of many within the Parks LCLIP Improvements CIP (MC-PR-21017). This legislation increases the 2025 appropriation by \$1 million.

## 3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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	\$1,000,000	-	-	-	-

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	N/A				
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☒ This legislation adds, changes, or deletes appropriations.

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Park and Recreation Fund/10200	SPR	Building for the Future/BC-PR-20000	\$1,000,000	-
TOTAL			\$1,000,00	-

### Appropriations Notes:

### 3.b. Revenues/Reimbursements

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N/A

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N/A

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Seattle Parks and Recreation would not have the ability to complete the removal and storage of the features outlined in the settlement without this additional funding.

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The broader Westlake Improvement project will seek to set the stage for longer-term improvements by working with other city agencies in and around the retail core to continue supporting community use and economic development in the area. Seattle Department of Transportation has been engaged in this project for coordination, collaboration, and funding support related to the improvements in the Right-of-Way along 4th Avenue. Office of Arts and Culture has been engaged in the project related art opportunities at Westlake Park.

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**Is a public hearing required for this legislation?** No

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This legislation affects Westlake Park located at 401 Pine St., Seattle 98101. A photo of the property is included as Summary Attachment 1 – Property Map.

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All project materials are available in English. Translations and accommodations for project materials can be made by request.

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- i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.** N/A

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**June 13, 2013**  
**Amended June 25, 2025**  
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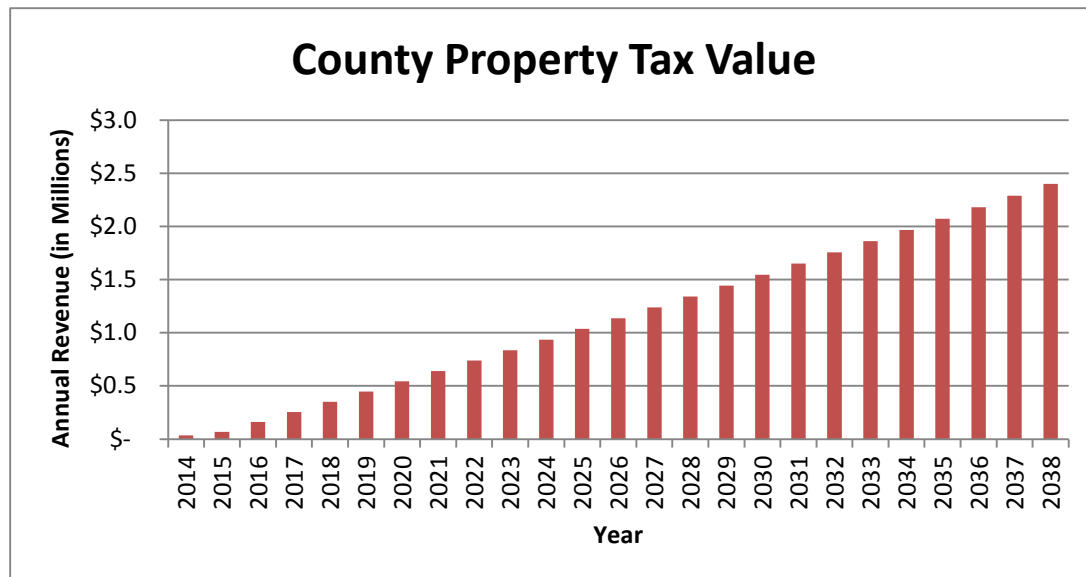
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#### **South Lake Union Community Council SLU Parks Task Force Projects**

<b>Proposed Improvements</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Year</b>
Projects identified in collaboration with community members from South Lake Union to provide expanded activation and infrastructure to Lake Union Park, Denny Park and Cascade Playground.	\$2,730,000	2026-2034

#### **Downtown District Community-led Projects**

<b>Proposed Improvements</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Year</b>
Projects identified in parks in the Downtown District, in collaboration with community members from that district, to expand activation and infrastructure: Myrtle Edwards Park, Alaskan Way Boulevard, Belltown Cottage Park, Urban Triangle Park, Bell Street Park Boulevard, Westlake Square, McGraw Square, Victor Steinbrueck Park, Westlake Park, Freeway Park, Pioneer Square, Prefontaine Place, City Hall Park, Occidental Square, Pioneer Square, Union Station Square.	\$1,070,000	2026-2034

**Chinatown/International District Community-led Projects**

<b>Proposed Improvements</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Year</b>
Projects identified in parks in the Chinatown/International District, in collaboration with community members from that district, to expand activation and infrastructure: Kobe Terrace, Hing Hay Park, Hoa Mai Park, Donnie Chin International Children’s Park, Beacon Place.	\$750,000	2030-2034

**Reserve**

<b>Proposed Improvements</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Year</b>
Set aside funds to address potential de minimus scope changes or cost increases.	\$1,000,000	2030-2034

**Total Open Space Investments: \$154,000,000** (\*note that SPR received approximately \$1,000,000 in excess revenue above the amount originally projected in SPR’s first year of the program which is being allocated to the Westlake Project).





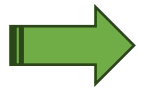
# Amend Landscape Conservation and Infrastructure Program Funding Plan to include Westlake Park

Presentation: December 10, 2025

# Presentation Overview

Purpose of today's legislation:

- Modifies the Landscape Conservation and Local Infrastructure Program (LCLIP) funding plan to include Westlake Park
- Appropriates LCLIP funding to support the Westlake Park Improvement Project



***Approving this legislation helps the project stay on schedule and be completed by summer 2026***



**Vicinity:** Westlake Park



# Westlake Park Improvement Project

## Project Overview & Goals

- Expands green spaces, improves accessibility and community amenities, addresses safety and security concerns, and removes aging/damaged infrastructure
- Seattle Parks Foundation to execute project scope and transfer completed improvements to City
- Following robust community engagement on design (in 2024 and 2025), construction began fall 2025

## Previous Council Actions

- November 2024 – Approved \$3.7M for project
- July 2025 – Approved additional \$900K for project
- August 2025 – Authorized SPR to accept improvements at Westlake as a donation from Seattle Parks Foundation



# Westlake Park Improvement Project

## Baseline Project Scope:

- Remove fountain and arch, Modify the stage for accessibility
- Electrical improvements including lighting infrastructure
- Paving restoration and installation of planting areas
- Vehicle crash protection

## Baseline Project Cost: \$4.6M

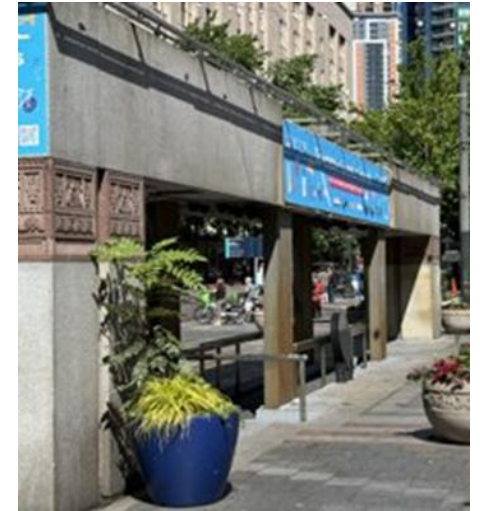
- Adopted 2025 CIP: \$3.7M REET
- Mid-Year 2025 Appropriation: \$900K CRS-U

## Adjusted Project Scope (subject of this legislation):

- Removal, transport, and storage of Seven Hills sculptures and certain elements of the waterwall and arch
- Paving improvements

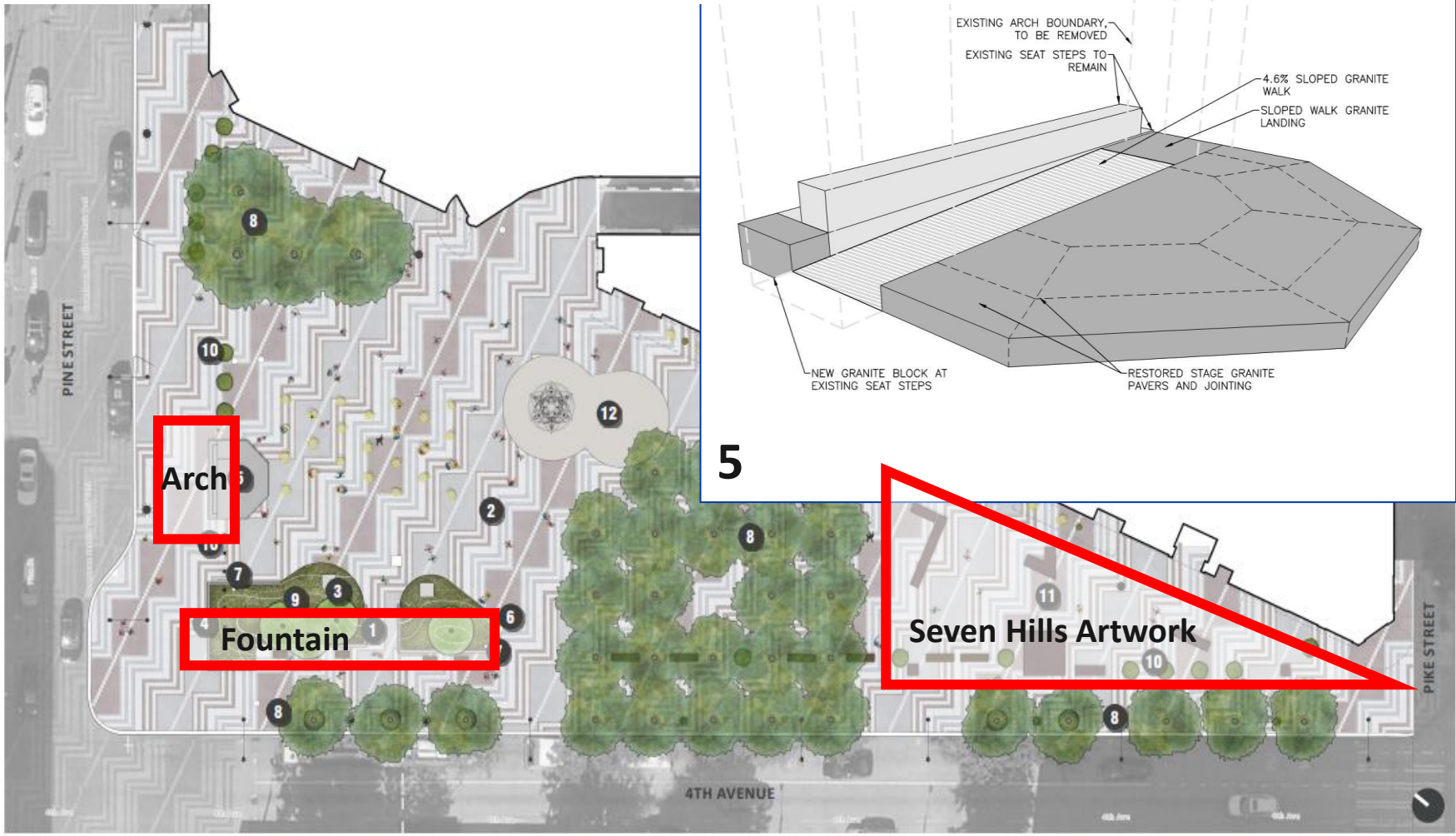
**Estimated Additional Cost: \$1M** (Proposed to be LCLIP revenues)

**Adjusted Estimated Project Cost: \$5.6M**





# Westlake Improvement Project



## Park improvement legend

- 1 The fountain is removed
- 2 The existing Coast Salish basket weave pattern is maintained. Uneven pavers are leveled and restored
- 3 Carved granite from the arch is salvaged and incorporated into the park
- 4 Portions of the granite curb, surrounding the fountain, are preserved
- 5 The existing podium is modified for ADA accessibility, to maintain history of gatherings, free speech and events
- 6 Electrical upgrades are made for improved site lighting and seasonal events
- 7 Two new power pedestals for food trucks and event power
- 8 Conditions for the existing trees are improved to increase longevity and address uneven pavement
- 9 New landscaping and irrigation are added to enhance the gathering plaza and park
- 10 Crash rated bollards and deterrants are added at the perimeter of the park for pedestrian safety
- 11 Existing Seven Hills art installation to remain
- 12 Existing play area to remain

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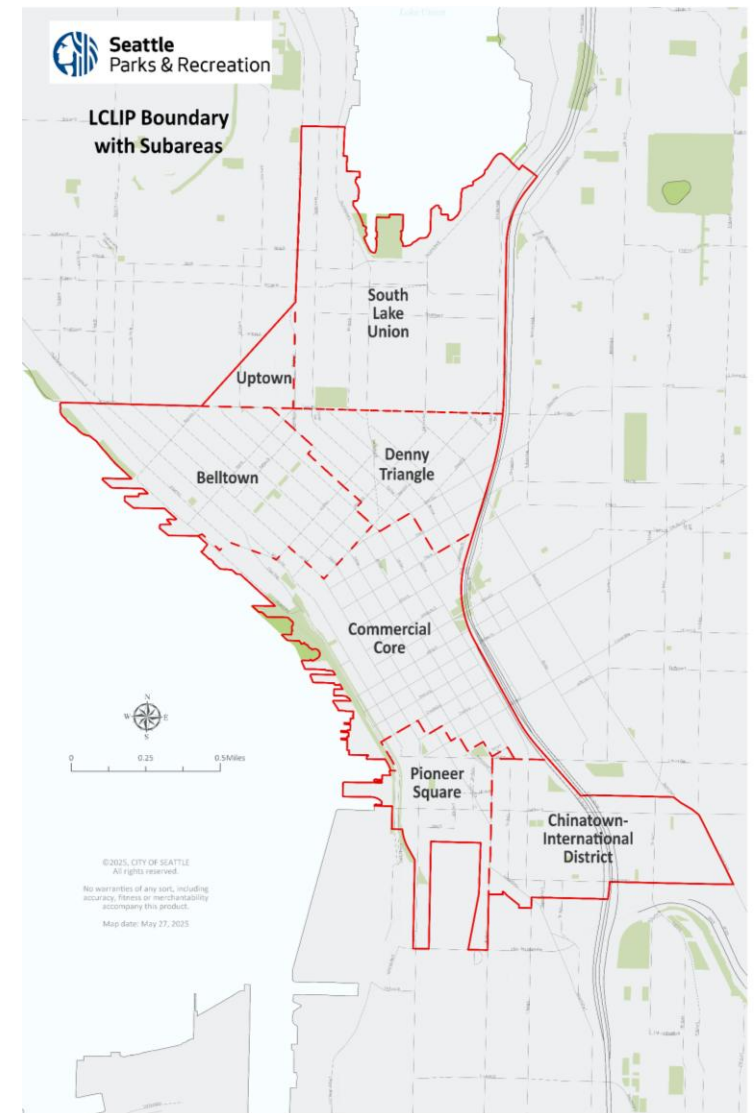




# LCLIP in Seattle

- 2013: City Council adopted LCLIP funding plan
  - Part of an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Seattle and King County to implement incentive zoning in Local Infrastructure Project Area (LIPA)
- Program runs through 2038 (25 years)
  - SDOT received annual funding for the first 10 years
  - SPR receives annual funding for second 10 years
  - SDOT receives annual funding for remaining 5 years
- 2025 is the first year for SPR to receive funding
  - Appropriated in SPR's Adopted 2025-2030 CIP
  - Initial revenues received July 2025
  - Second distribution expected December 2025
- In determining approach to address adjusted scope for the Westlake Project, SPR assessed LCLIP revenues
  - Projecting 2025 revenues will be above Adopted 2025 Budget

## Local Infrastructure Project Area (LIPA)



# Goals of Proposed Legislation

## Further Project Goals through Adjusted Scope

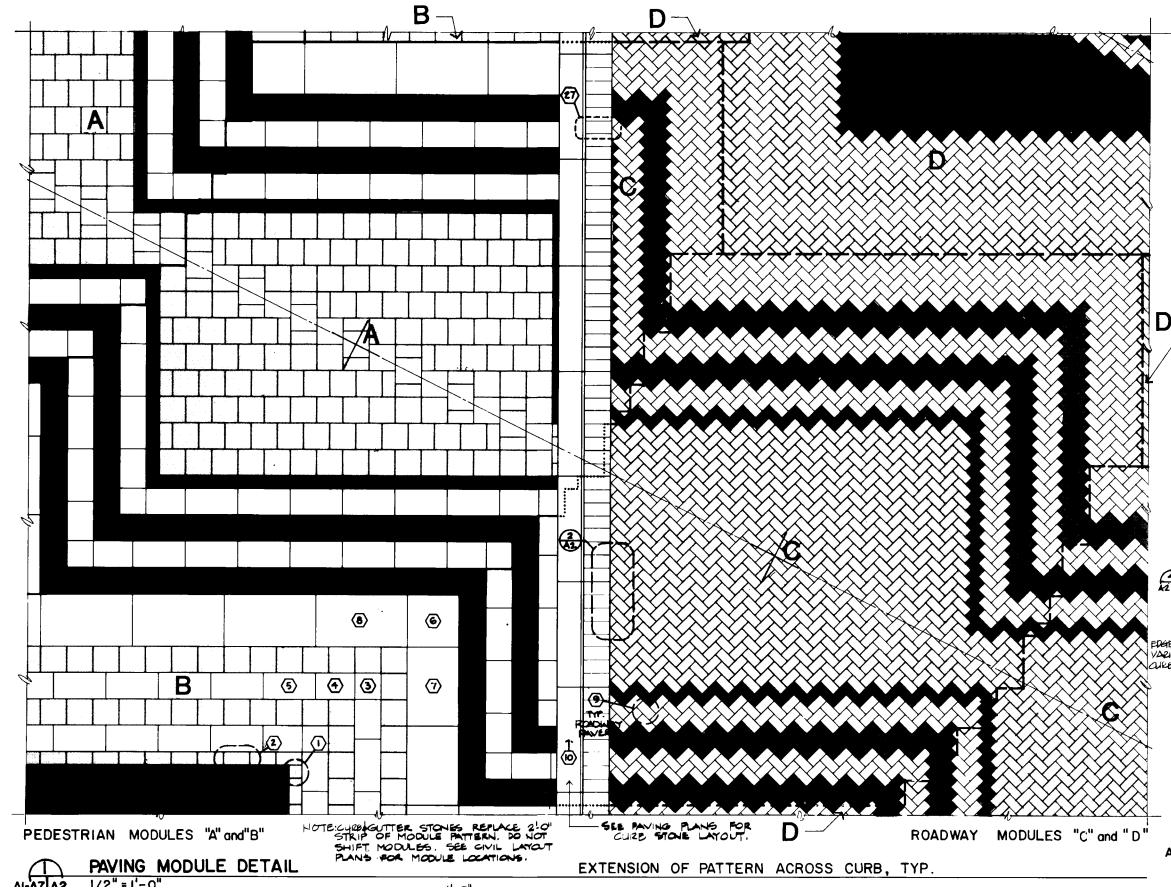
- Safety and Security (CPTED)
- Improved Guest Experience
- Addresses aging infrastructure
- Sets stage for future improvements to the Westlake Area
- Supports removal, storage and eventual relocation of art in a manner agreed to by artist

## Keeps Project on Schedule

- **Phase 1 Complete:** July 1, 2024 – November 1, 2024
  - Planning, Concept Design, Public Outreach and Stakeholder Engagement
- **Phase 2 Complete:** November 2024 – September 2025
  - Community Engagement including Public Open House
  - Design, Engineering and Permitting
- **Phase 3 Underway:** Now – Q2 2026
  - Construction: Completion prior to summer 2026



# Questions?



*\*A snip from the original 1987 Westlake Park hand-drafted plans showing the intricate Coast Salish inspired basket weave paving pattern. This project will preserve this granite paving and address areas where the pavers have heaved.*