

# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Kevin O'Neill										
Board/Commission Name:			Position Title:							
Seattle Design Commission			Transportation Planner/Chair							
		Council Con	firmat	ion required?						
Appointment OR X Reappointm	ent	X Yes No								
Appointing Authority:	Date A	Appointed:	d: Term of Position:							
Council			3/1/2	2025 to 2/28/2027						
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Other: Fill in appointing authority			_	of Chair:						
			3/1/2025 - 2/28/2026							
Residential Neighborhood: Crown Hill	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98117		Contact Phone No.:							
Kevin has an extensive background in Transportation Planning, serving in a variety of leadership roles in the public and private sectors. Kevin was the Transportation Director and Strategic Planning Director in City of Bellevue from 2002-2011. From 2011-2019 he served in the Seattle Department of Transportation as both the Deputy Director and Director of the Street Use Division. From 2019-2022 Kevin was the Planning Manager in the Seattle office of WSP, managing the urban and transportation planning workgroups. In these roles Kevin led workgroups on a variety of projects including Sound Transit's West Seattle to Ballard project, Climate Pledge Arena, and the new Seattle Convention Center's Summit building.  Kevin has a Masters' degrees in both City and Regional Planning and Public Administration from Ohio State University, and a Bachelors' degree from University of Vermont.										
Authorizing Signature (original signature	e):	Appointin	Appointing Signatory:							
	7	Bruce A. Harrell								
Burel. Hanel		Mayor of Seattle								
Date: March 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2025										



#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Senior Planning Manager, WSP USA. 10/2019—9/2021

- Managed the Urban and Transportation Planning team in the Seattle office of WSP.
   Developed the business and strategic plans for the Planning group.
- Provided oversight for projects led out of the Planning group, with a focus on transit work.
- Engaged in business development and marketing activities.

#### Deputy Director, Seattle Department of Transportation. 6/2018—6/2019

- Provided oversight of the Transportation Operations, Street Use, Interagency Projects and Sound Transit divisions within SDOT.
- Served as a member of the department's Executive Leadership Team.
- Worked with the SDOT director, Chief of Staff, and other deputy directors to provide strategic direction of the department, and engage with elected officials and key community stakeholders.

#### Director, Street Use Division, Seattle Department of Transportation. 6/2016—6/2018

- Directed activities of the Street Use Division, including public space management, development review, plan review and permitting, right-of-way coordination, and developing policies and regulations relating to use of the City's street right-of-way.
- Provided oversight and helped develop the Street Use work program and budget, which
  was approximately \$40 million annually, and included approximately 140 FTEs.
- Worked with the management team to provide strategic direction for Street Use.
- SDOT lead on major development projects, including Climate Pledge Arena and Washington State Convention Center addition.
- Served as a member of SDOT's Senior Staff, and on various SDOT committees.

#### Planning Manager, Seattle Department of Transportation. 11/2011—6/2016

- Managed a team of planners, strategic advisors, and GIS staff in the Policy & Planning Division to develop citywide and neighborhood transportation and transit plans, department and citywide policies, and strategic plans.
- Managed transportation planning projects, including the Seattle Bicycle Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element update.
- Developed policies for both strategic and long range transportation plans.
- Developed and managed the Planning section work program and budget.

## Transportation Planning Director/Strategic Planning Manager, City of Bellevue. 4/2002 – 11/2011

- Directed the Planning Division of the Bellevue Transportation Department. Was a member of the Department's Executive Team.
- Provided management oversight to a variety of transportation planning projects and functions, including comprehensive and subarea plan updates, transit planning, the pedestrian/bicycle plan, and the modeling and analysis group.
- Served on the City's executive team for the East Link light rail project.
- Developed and managed division and section work programs and budgets.
- Developed economic development and growth management policies, and managed community development projects (including the Bel-Red Corridor Plan).

#### Strategic Advisor, City of Seattle, Washington. 4/2000 – 4/2002

- Led light rail station area planning efforts in the Northgate area and coordinated the City's environmental review of North Link light rail alignment and station alternatives
- Worked on transportation subarea plans in the South Lake Union and University Districts, which included analysis of developer mitigation payment options.
- Worked on regional growth management and housing issues, including review and evaluation of the city's multi-family tax exemption program.

#### Principal Planner/Planner, City of Kent, Washington. 4/1990 – 4/2000

- Managed the preparation and update of the city's Comprehensive Plan and coordinated the city's overall implementation of the Growth Management Act.
- Staff lead on siting and development of Sound Transit's Sounder commuter rail station in Downtown Kent.
- Managed long-range planning and policy development staff and projects, including major updates of the city's zoning code and shoreline master program.
- Coordinated regional planning activities and inter-jurisdictional relations.
- Worked on land use permitting and development review activities.

#### Planner, City of Port Townsend, Washington. 4/1988 - 4/1990.

- Managed all development review and land use planning activities.
- Provided staff support to Planning Commission and City Council on land use issues.
- Led review of projects pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act and administration of land use and environmental policies and regulations.

#### Community Development Planner, City of St. Louis, Missouri. 6/1985 - 3/1987.

- Prepared and updated the city's Housing Assistance Plan.
- Managed neighborhood commercial revitalization and parks planning projects.
- Prepared demographic, housing, market, and fiscal impact analyses and reports.

#### **EDUCATION**

Master of City and Regional Planning and Master of Arts in Public Administration, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, 1985.

Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont, 1982.

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

University of Washington Urban Design and Planning Professionals Council (1998 to 2022; Chair, 2005-2007).

AICP Exam Seminar Instructor, Washington APA (1998-2018).

Professional Development Officer, Washington Chapter APA (1999-2003).

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND HONORS

Transportation Planner and Vice-Chair, Seattle Design Commission, 2021-Present Design Excellence Award (Seattle Bicycle Master Plan), Seattle Design Commission, 2017 Shining Star Award, SDOT, 2014 and 2015

Governor's Smart Communities Award and Vision 2020 Award (Bel-Red Plan), 2010

Host Committee, Washington State Chapter APA Conference, 2005

Steering Committee, "Envisioning 15th Avenue NW", Seattle, 2002-2004

Volunteer, Fremont Public Association, Seattle, 1987-2006

Basketball coach, Loyal Heights Community Center, Seattle, 1996-97 and 2004-08

Baseball coach, Ballard Little League, Seattle, 2001 and 2003

Volunteer tutor, Wing Luke Elementary School, Seattle, 2000-01

Volunteer tutor, Kent Elementary School, 1996

City of Kent Employee of the Month, January, 1995

Faculty prize for academic excellence, The Ohio State University, 1984 and 1985

Phi Beta Kappa honor society, University of Vermont, 1982

#### REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

"Rapid Growth: Maintaining Access While Accommodating Construction", National Association of City Transportation Officials Designing Cites Conference, Chicago, 2017 "Smarter Transportation Metrics for Smarter Growth", American Planning Association National Conference, Seattle, 2015.

"Complete Streets in Constrained Corridors", National Association of City Transportation Officials Designing Cities Conference, San Francisco, 2014.

"Riding Seattle's Bicycle Master Plan", RailVolution Conference mobile workshop, Seattle, October, 2013.

Volume 1 (Citywide and Regional Trends) and Volume 2 (Neighborhood Patterns), City of Bellevue Census Report, 2003.

Several free-lance book reviews, Columbus Dispatch, 1999-2004.

"Solar Access Zoning", Journal of Planning Literature, Vol. 1, No. 2, Spring, 1986.

Assistant Editor, Journal of Planning Literature, 1984-1985.

### **SKILLS**

Strategic planning and policy analysis
Work program management and project development
Working and communicating effectively with citizens and elected/appointed officials
Technical report writing and data analysis and forecasting
Knowledge and proficiency with several computer software programs.

References available upon request.

### Seattle Design Commission

The Seattle Design Commission advises the Mayor, City Council, and City departments on the design and environmental implications of City funded projects, projects seeking long-term or permanent use of a right of way, or public projects seeking City approval. The Commission is comprised of 10 members, as established by Seattle Municipal Code Section 3.58. Members serve a two-year term and are eligible for two consecutive terms' except the Get Engaged member who will serve a one-year term pursuant to SMC 3.51. All members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

A Chair is also appointed on each year. The Chair is selected by Commissioners for appointment by the Mayor and confirmation by the Council for a one year term.

New appointments are bold, reappointments in underline.

#### Roster:

*D	**G	Position Position RD No. Title			Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By	
6	М	3	1.	Urban Planner	Raymond W. Gastil	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
1	F	2	2.	Get Engaged	Caitlin Truong	9/1/24	8/31/25	1	Mayor	
6	М	4	3.	Engineer (Civil/Transportation)	Brian Markham	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
8	F	3	4.	At-large	Shirin Masoudi	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
1	М	3	5.	Architect	Zubin Rao	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
<u>6</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6.</u>	<u>Landscape</u> <u>Architect</u>	Phoebe Erin Bogert	3/1/25	2/28/27	<u>2</u>	<u>Mayor</u>	
<u>6</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7.</u>	Architect	Ben Gist	3/1/25	2/28/27	<u>2</u>	<u>Mayor</u>	
<u>6</u>	<u>NB</u>	2	<u>8.</u>	Urban Designer	Molly Spetalnick	3/1/23	2/28/25	1	Mayor	
<u>6</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9.</u>	<u>Transportation</u> <u>Planner</u>	Kevin O'Neill (Chair appointment for 1 year)	3/1/25 (3/1/25)	2/28/27 (2/28/26)	2	<u>Mayor</u>	
6	F	3	10.	Fine Artist	Kate Clark	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	

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	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	5	4		1	2					7		1	
Council													
Other													
Total	5	4		1	2					7		1	

Key:

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.

<sup>\*</sup>D List the corresponding Diversity Chart number (1 through 9)

<sup>\*\*</sup>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