

#### **SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL**

# Governance, Native Communities, and Tribal Governments Committee Agenda

Thursday, September 21, 2023 9:30 AM

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

Debora Juarez, Chair Alex Pedersen, Vice-Chair Teresa Mosqueda, Member Kshama Sawant, Member Dan Strauss, Member

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#### **Committee Website:**

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This meeting also constitutes a meeting of the City Council, provided that the meeting shall be conducted as a committee meeting under the Council Rules and Procedures, and Council action shall be limited to committee business.

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Submit written comments to Councilmember Juarez at Debora.Juarez@seattle.gov

Please Note: Times listed are estimated

- A. Call To Order
- B. Approval of the Agenda
- C. Public Comment
- D. Items of Business
- 1. Appt 02657 Reappointment of Michael L. Reichert as member, Seattle Indian Services Commission, for a term to November 30, 2025.

Attachments: Appointment Packet

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote** (5 minutes)

Presenter: Demarus Tevuk, Seattle Indian Services Commission

2. Appt 02658 Reappointment of Misha Y. Rodarte as member, Seattle Indian

Services Commission, for a term to June 30, 2026.

<u>Supporting</u>

Documents: Appointment Packet

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote** (5 minutes)

Presenter: Demarus Tevuk, Seattle Indian Services Commission

3. Appt 02659 Appointment of Greg P. Ramirez as member, Labor Standards

Advisory Committee, for a term to April 30, 2025.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Appointment Packet</u>

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote** (5 minutes)

Presenter: Kerem Levitas, Office of Labor Standards

#### 4. Res 32110

A RESOLUTION establishing the City's continuing support to advance a public-private partnership through future agreements between The City of Seattle, Seattle Public Schools, and the One Roof Partnership; and addressing funding needs to develop a new world-class Memorial Stadium serving students, youth, and the community and that is transformative for Seattle Center.

#### Supporting

Documents:

**Summary and Fiscal Note** 

Summary Att A - Vicinity Map

Presentation (revised)

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote** (30 minutes)

**Presenters:** Deputy Mayor Tim Burgess; Marshall Foster, Interim Director, and Jackie Kirn, Seattle Center; David Kunselman, Department of Finance and Administrative Services; Brian Goodnight,

Council Central Staff; Fred Podesta and District 4 School Board

Director Vivian Song Maritz, Seattle Public Schools

#### **5**. CB 120665

AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 5.24.020 and 5.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) to adjust the thresholds upon which the City Council is briefed about settlement and claims matters in Executive Session; and amending SMC 5.24.020 to require twice-annual litigation briefings in Executive Session.

#### Supporting

**Documents:** 

Summary and Fiscal Note

Amendment 1

**Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote** (10 minutes)

**Presenters:** Esther Handy, Central Staff Director, and Lauren Henry,

Council Central Staff

#### E. Adjournment



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#### Legislation Text

File #: Appt 02657, Version: 1

Reappointment of Michael L. Reichert as member, Seattle Indian Services Commission, for a term to November 30, 2025.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

| Appointee Name:<br>Michael L. Reichert  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Board/Commission Name:<br>Seattle Indian Services Commission  | Position Title: Member   |  |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ Appointment <i>OR</i> ☐ Reappointment   | City Council Confi Yes No  | irmation required?   |  |  |  |  |
| City Council Mayor  | Term of Position: * 12/1/2022 to 11/30/2025  □ Serving remaining term of a vacant position   |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | <b>Zip Code: Co 98038</b>  | ontact Phone No.:  |  |  |  |  |
| Mr. Michael L. Reichert was appointed in 1979 at Western Washington and Catholic Housing Serv Catholic Charities Foundation of Western Wash Commissioner to the Washington State Housing Mr. Reichert, in his current position, is responsible manages more than 3,300 employees. He brings human services, employment/training programs Mr. Reichert's other activities Include Board me (Olympia), Senior Fellow with the Wildflowers In of the Low Income Housing Institute, Chief Final Development Consultant for the North central Michael is a graduate of Central Washington Un Chippewa Tribe, White Earth Indian Reservation This reappointment represents Mr. Reichert's the | ices. In 2002, he bington. He also send Finance Commiss ole for combined be an extensive backs, and financial manstitute (San Francial Officer for the Montana Coalition iversity and is an ent. | ecame President and Trustee of the rved for three years as a sion. Dudgets exceeding \$170 million, and kground In housing development, anagement. It the WaHelut Indian School cisco), Chairperson/Founding Father e Puyallup Tribe of Indians, and |  |  |  |  |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Iris Friday  | Appointing Signatory: Iris Friday  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iris Friday (Jul 3, 2023 14:28 PDT)  Date Signed (appointed):   | Chair, Seattle Indian Services Commission  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 3, 2023   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

#### Michael L. Reichert

#### **Current Position**

#### Summary of Qualifications

#### President, Catholic Community Services of Western Washington; President, Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington; President, Catholic Charities Foundation

Visionary experienced leader, locally and nationally. Outstanding communication skills. Extensive management experience in social services, housing and advocacy organizations. Extensive knowledge of government policies. Serves as leader and organizer of the Social Services and Housing arms of the Roman Catholic Church in Western Washington. Demonstrated ability at structuring and transforming complex service organizations into integrated service delivery networks. Combined budgets exceeding \$300 million and 4,100 staff. Enrolled member Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, White Earth Indian Reservation.

#### Professional Experience

#### 1979 - Present

Catholic Community Services (CCS) and Catholic Housing Services (CHS), Seattle, WA

#### **President and Chief Executive Officer**

- Directs day to day activities of CCS and CHS, which combined are the largest non-profit social service organization in Washington State with an annual budget of more than \$300 million and a staff of more than 4,100.
- Formulates organizational goals and objectives. Establishes administrative and program systems.
- Approves operational policies and procedures in areas such as personnel, legal, finance, advocacy, public relations, and fund development. Oversees subordinate or affiliated organizations.
- Recruits, appoints and supervises management staff.
- Advocates for CCS/CHS clients, staff and programs. Represents CCS/CHS to the public, media and government.

#### 1995 - 1999

Puyallup Tribe of Indians/Puyallup International, Inc. Tacoma, WA Finance Committee Member and Advisor

#### 1975 - 1979

Puyallup Tribe of Indians, Tacoma, WA

#### **Director of Federal Programs**

- Managed the Tribe's employment and training programs as well as all federally funded support activities.
- Served as Executive Staff to the Tribal Council.
- Represented the Tribe and National Congress of American Indians on employment, training and economic development issues before the US Congress.

#### 1976-1977

Maple Valley Community Center, Maple Valley, WA

#### **Executive Director**

- Founded and helped fund the Greater Maple Valley Community Center in its first year of operation.
- Co-founded and elected to the Greater Maple Valley Community Council and served as its Vice-Chair for 2 years.

#### 1974-1976

**Small Tribe Organization** 

#### Health Study Director, Assistant CETA Director

- Served as Assistant Director for Employment and Training for 18 reservation and non-reservation Indian Tribes in Western Washington.
- Served as Director of Comprehensive Health Study of off-reservation Indians in Washington State. Reported results of the two-year study to the United States Congress.

#### Leadership roles and affiliations

Chairperson, National Catholic Housing Commission 1988-1993

Chairperson, Low Income Housing Institute 1992-1993

Chairperson, National Indian & Native American Employment & Training Coalition 1976-1979

Chairperson, McCauley Institute, Washington D.C. 1985-1991

Chairperson and President, Archdiocesan Housing Authority 1991-1999

Board member and Treasurer, WA He Lut Indian School

Vice-President and Senior Fellow, Wildflowers Institute in San Francisco

Board Member and Treasurer, Puyallup International Incorporated

Board Member, Catholic Charities USA Washington D.C. 1986-1989

Board Member, Northwest Harvest 1986-1993

Board Member, Intercommunity Housing 1991-1993

Vice-Chairperson, Greater Maple Valley Council 1976-1978

#### Education

1970 - 1974

Central Washington University, Ellensburg, Washington

BA/Communication and Native American Studies - Cum Laude

#### **Seattle Indian Services Commission**

5 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 103387 and Revised Charter adopted in 2012, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 1 Mayor- appointed
- 4 Other Appointing Authority: SISC Governing Council
   (Note: Existing members represent previous appointing authorities (moving to Governing Council appointments at end of current term).

#### Roster:

| *D | **G | RD  | Position<br>No. | Position<br>Title | Name                | Term<br>Begin Date | Term<br>End Date | Term<br># | Appointed<br>By |
|----|-----|-----|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 4  | F   | N/A | 1.              | Chair             | N. Iris Friday      | 11/1/22            | 10/31/25         | 7         | Mayor           |
|    |     |     |                 |                   |                     |                    |                  |           | Governing       |
|    |     |     | 2.              | Member            |                     |                    |                  |           | Council         |
|    |     |     |                 |                   |                     |                    |                  |           | Governing       |
| 4  | F   | 5   | 3.              | Member            | Colleen Echohawk    | 1/1/21             | 12/31/24         | 2         | Council         |
|    |     |     |                 |                   |                     |                    |                  |           | Governing       |
| 4  | М   | N/A | 4.              | Member            | Michael L. Reichert | 12/1/22            | 11/30/25         | 3         | Council         |
|    |     |     |                 | Member/           |                     |                    |                  |           | Governing       |
| 4  | F   | N/A | 5.              | Treasurer         | Misha Y. Rodarte    | 7/1/23             | 6/30/26          | 2         | Council         |

| SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART |      |        |             | (1)    | (2)   | (3)                           | (4)                 | (5)                                     | (6)   | (7)                            | (8)                 | (9)               |             |
|---------------------------------|------|--------|-------------|--------|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|
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| Mayor                           |      | 1      |             |        |       |                               |                     | 1                                       |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Council                         | 1    | 2      |             |        |       |                               |                     | 3                                       |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Other                           |      |        |             |        |       |                               |                     |   |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Total                           | 1    | 3      |             |        |       |                               |                     | 4                                       |       |                                |                     |                   |             |

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Reappointment of Misha Y. Rodarte as member, Seattle Indian Services Commission, for a term to June 30, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

| Appointee Name: Misha Y. Rodarte   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Board/Commission Name: Seattle Indian Services Commission  |   | Position Title:  Member, Treasurer     |  |  |  |  |
|  | City Council Confirmation required?       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Appointment OR Reappointment   | Yes No                                    | adon required.                         |  |  |  |  |
| Appointing Authority:  | Term of Positio                           | n: *                                   |  |  |  |  |
|  | 7/1/2023                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mayor  | to  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other: SISC Governing Council  | 6/30/2026                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | □ Servina remai                           | ning term of a vacant position         |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | Contact Phone No.:                     |  |  |  |  |
|  | 98391                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background:  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Misha Y. Rodarte brings over eight (8) years of e  | xperience in the                          | e real estate-related industry to this |  |  |  |  |
| position. Mrs. Rodarte is currently a Commercial   |   | •                                      |  |  |  |  |
| WA (2015 - present). Prior to her work at Legacy   |   | •                                      |  |  |  |  |
| Paralegal, Executive Administrator/Legal Assista and Marine View Law & Escrow). Ms. Rodarte's of the control of | _   | , ,                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Board Vice President of Native Action Network (  | •   |  |  |  |  |  |
| communities and beyond & encouraging civic er  | •   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Services Commission.   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| This reappointment represents Ms. Rodarte's se   | cond term.                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):  | Appointing Si                             | ignatory:                              |  |  |  |  |
| Iris Friday  | Iris Friday                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iris Friday (Jul 11, 2023 00:12 PDT)  Date Signed (appointed):   | Chair, Seattle Indian Services Commission |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul 11, 2023   |   |  |  |  |  |  |

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#### Misha Y. Rodarte

A passion for being a part of a team – A University of Washington graduate with Bachelor of Arts with a focus in International/Diversity Studies; seeking a long-term position within commercial real estate that presents options for personal growth, challenges, while maintaining a healthy balance in work/life.

#### **Qualifications**

- Commercial Real Estate broker (7+ years' experience)
- Superb Executive Assistant and Administration background (5+ years' experience)
- Experience in City Development and tracking Land Use Code changes
- Able to handle heavy caseloads, event planning, calendaring, and meeting deadlines
- Enjoy meeting new people and new cultures; International experience in travel to 9 countries including Europe, Asia, and South America

#### **Education**

#### Rockwell Institute, Real Estate Licensing Course - Bellevue, WA

2018

- Completed the required hours for WA State real estate license

#### University of Washington, College of Arts and Sciences - Seattle, WA

2009-2013

- Bachelor of Arts in American Indian Studies, with a Diversity minor
- Cumulative GPA: **3.3/4.0** Graduation date: June 2013
- Related course: Critical AIS issues on the UN declaration of Indigenous Rights, Indigenous Feminism, Indigenous film and Sovereignty visuals, and many Independent Studies working on various field case studies of AIS communities and issues
- <u>Extracurricular Campus Activities</u>: OMDA (Office of Minority Affairs) member, EOP (Equal Opportunity Program) participant, First Nations group at UW, and member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority

#### Puyallup High School - Puyallup, WA

2006-2009

- Cumulative GPA: 3.92
- Graduate top 99% of class of 555 students

#### **Experience**

#### Consultant Work - Washington.

7/2022- Present

- Event planning, programming and execution of celebration and conference

#### Commercial Real Estate Broker, Legacy Commercial -Bellevue, WA.

9/2015- Present

- License in the State of Washington License # 21007188
- Asset management, leasing and legal matters
- Hire experts for projects, redevelopment, and tenant improvements
- Manage all acquisitions and sales of real estate properties in the US and Canada
- Invoice and billings approval

#### Paralegal, DAL Law Firm -Normandy Park, WA.

*4*/2016- 5/2017

- Client relations- verifying appointments and communicating updates on files via phone & in writing
- Drafting legal documents
- Case Management through follow-up communication with clients, lenders, and court trustee
- Drafting of master worksheets for the law firm
- Social Media updating and drafting of blog posts

#### Executive Administrator /Legal Assistant, Marine View Law & Escrow -Des Moines, WA.

8/2013-9/2015

- Assist with daily tasks and up-keep in the office and client's file and relations
- Office management: Greet clients, answer phones, calendaring, and follow-up calls
- Correspondences with clients i.e. send fax, emails, letters, and UPS/FedEx shipping drop-offs
- Personable and able to conduct professional client appointments
- Account management including taking payments, bank deposits, and Quickbooks entries
- Prepare large files including bankruptcy filing, HAMP- home loan modifications, and real estate cases

#### AVID Tutor, Puyallup School District - Puyallup, WA

1/2011-8/2013

- Work with all grade levels, and all subjects
- Must be knowledgeable in core studies and electives
- Superior problem-solving skills and study habits

#### USA Team Member & National Speed Circuit (NSC) Athlete - Seattle, WA

8/2011 - 5/2015

- Overall US Champion 2014

- Competed in three World Championships, qualified for four championships
- USADA Athlete registered with the US Olympic Committee
- First Alternate for the World Games in 2013 in Colombia
- First Alternate for the Pan American Games in 2012 in Mexico

#### **Certifications and Technical Skills**

Public Notary in the State of Washington - License # 181734, Commission expiration 11/19/2023

Superior communication skills- through arts and language - written and verbal

English (Fluent); Navajo Language (Conversational); French (Basic); Spanish (Novice- intro learning)

Computer skills- proficient in MS Office, Skyline, Photoshop, Adobe, Quickbooks, Lawpay, Clio, and Conflict-Data Base Social Media knowledge and management - including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Blogs, etc.

#### Honors/Awards/Scholarships

| Bellevue Chamber of Commerce- New Executives participant Certificate in Local Planning – Washington Dept of Commerce Award for Excellent Leadership from NAN Cohort USA Team speed skater: 4 times represented Team USA as Overall Sprint Champion University of Washington Dean's List, GPA 3.5 and above: 3.85 University of Washington Dean's List, GPA 3.5 and above University of Washington OMDA/EOP Award Recipient- Robert and Nancy Knight Scholarship (\$3000) University of Washing ton Undergrad Grant Recipient (\$9366) Mary Gates Leadership Scholar and Scholarship (\$4000) Professional Olympic Caliber Athlete - USOC Elite Athlete Health Insurance Navajo Nation - Chief Manuelito Scholar (\$7000) Washington State Indian Gaming Commission (\$2000) | 6/2021<br>3/2016<br>2018-2019<br>2011-2014<br>2013<br>2012<br>2012<br>2012<br>2012<br>2012<br>2012<br>2011-2013<br>2012 |
|---|---|
|   |   |
|   |   |

#### Volunteerism

#### **Native Action Network Board Vice President**

11/2022 - Present

- Board Member since November 2022
- Weekly board meetings; plan events and assist with programs
- Fundraising and application writing

#### **Seattle Indian Service Commission**

8/2020 - Present

- Position: Volunteer Commissioner
- Monthly meetings with occasional special sessions
- Sub-chair for the Planning and Development team
- Help with collecting community input and hosted several community outreach sessions in 2020-21.

#### Northwest Parkinson's Foundation

5/2018

Volunteered for the annual fundraising gala

#### **Native Action Network**

4/2013 – 6/2020

- Position: Youth Academy Coordinator and Communications Facilitator
- Promotions and Communications through all social medias
- Native American Women's Youth Leadership Conference organization and participant accommodation
- Empowering women to be leaders in their communities and beyond
- Encouraging civic engagement and volunteerism

#### References

Darcel Lobo, DAL Law Firm -Normandy Park, WA.



Iris Friday, Native Action Network -Seattle, WA.



<sup>\*</sup>Additional References Upon Request

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|    |     |     | 2.              | Member               |                     |                    |                  |           | Governing<br>Council |
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| 4  | М   | N/A | 4.              | Member               | Michael L. Reichert | 12/1/22            | 11/30/25         | 3         | Governing<br>Council |
| 4  | F   | N/A | 5.              | Member/<br>Treasurer | Misha Y. Rodarte    | 7/1/23             | 6/30/26          | 2         | Governing<br>Council |

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| Mayor                           |      | 1      |             |        |       |                               |                     | 1                                       |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Council                         | 1    | 2      |             |        |       |                               |                     | 3                                       |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Other                           |      |        |             |        |       |                               |                     |   |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
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Appointment of Greg P. Ramirez as member, Labor Standards Advisory Committee, for a term to April 30, 2025.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

| Appointee Name:   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Greg P. Ramirez   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Board/Commission Name:  |  | Position Title:                     |  |  |  |  |
| Labor Standards Advisory Committee  |  | Member, Position 5                  |  |  |  |  |
|   | City Council Cor                                       | nfirmation required?                |  |  |  |  |
| Appointment <i>OR</i> Reappointment   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|   | ☐ No   |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Appointing Authority:   | Term of Positio  | n: *                                |  |  |  |  |
| City Council  | 5/1/2023   |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Mayor   | to   |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Other: Fill in appointing authority   | 4/30/2025  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|   | ☐ Servina remaii                                       | ning term of a vacant position      |  |  |  |  |
| Residential Neighborhood:   |  | Contact Phone No.:                  |  |  |  |  |
| District 2  | 98108  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Background:   | 1  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|   | Director of SEIU6, it is my mandate to advocate in the |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| interests of property service workers in Seattle a  |  | -                                   |  |  |  |  |
| largely immigrant and majority persons of color   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| work in industries where union representation is leverage against exploitation. SEIU6 members h |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| workplace standards and policies can have on the  |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| for 15 at SeaTac, a major shift that continues to   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| communities surrounding the airport. Work stan  | dards and policion                                     | es have huge impacts on property    |  |  |  |  |
| service workers, and I will bring their interests v   | vith me to the tal                                     | ole at the Labor Standards Advisory |  |  |  |  |
| Commission.   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):   | Appointing Si  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Q A11 nO  | Bruce A. Harrell                                       |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Bruce Q. Hanell   | Mayor of Seattle                                       |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Date Signed (appointed): 8/2/2023   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|   |  |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|   | 1  |                                     |  |  |  |  |

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# Greg P. Ramirez

#### **Summary of Qualifications**

- Knowledgeable of Federal, State, and local labor laws
- Dedicated to eliminating barriers to good pay and long-term work
- Fighting for employee rights and ensuring more equitable access to livable wage jobs
- Develop and maintain strategic partnerships with faith, community and labor groups
- Knowledgeable of labor agreements/collective bargaining and the grievance procedure
- Strong communication skills; ability to effectively work within a team setting and with community partners
- Efficiently handle multiple tasks; pays close attention to details, and works well under pressure
- Dedicated hard worker who is self-motivated, with strong time management, flexibility, and cooperation skills

#### **Professional Experience**

SEIU6 Property Services NW - Seattle, WA

03/2023 - Present

#### **Deputy Director/Chief of Staff**

- Assists the President in the planning, implementation and development of SEIU6 strategies and programs, including policy development, stakeholder engagement, research collaborations, and other projects that advances SEIU6 mission
- Lead all teams, establish good communication, and unite staff across the organization to keep programs/campaigns moving forward
- Oversee organizational development, including strategic planning, staff development, annual budgets, and capacity building
- Work closely with labor allies, elected officials, employers and other outward facing stakeholders

#### SEIU6 Property Services NW - Seattle, WA

01/2019 - 03/2023

#### **Director of Organizing**

- Responsible for leading a team of 3 External Organizers that work to grow our union
- Analyze, select, and supervise external organizing campaigns to grow our labor union.
- Run comprehensive organizing campaigns that include leader development, field work, research, politics, and coalition work
- Supervise, mentor, develop and evaluate organizing staffs performance; motivate staff to meet and exceed campaign goals
- Assist the Local leadership and International Union with the development and implementation of our overall organizing strategy (local and national level)

#### **Director of Internal Organizing**

- Responsible for leading a team of 6 Internal Organizers/Union Representatives that enforce the Collective Bargaining Agreements for 7,000 Union Members throughout the State of Washington.
- Guide organizers and member leaders to create an internal organizing structure that is effective at resolving issues, maintaining membership, and mobilizing members to take action around improving wages, benefits and working conditions.
- Create, implement, track and oversee strategic contracts and worksite campaigns around specific issues including budget cuts, contract negotiations, health & safety issues, etc.
- Supervise, mentor, develop and evaluate the Organizer's performance; motivate staff to meet and exceed campaign goals

#### SEIU6 Property Services NW - Seattle, WA

07/2011 - 12/2018

#### **Lead Union Organizer/Representative**

- Represent over 1,700 Security Officers throughout Washington State and ensure the Collective Bargaining Agreement is being enforced
- Act as a negotiator in contract bargaining with 7 Security Contractors, some of which make up the largest Security firms in the U.S. and Internationally
- Engage with union membership and inform them of their basic worker rights, benefits, and the support we offer as a labor union
- Periodically oversee a group of 10-15 Member Organizers who participate in campaigns to organize workers into the union, campaigns to strengthen the collective bargaining agreements or the Union as a whole

#### YouthCare James W. Ray Orion Center – Seattle, WA

04/2010 - 07/2011

#### Job Developer/ Employment Placement Specialist

- Initiate and maintain ongoing personal contacts with a variety of businesses, union and industry representatives
- Make cold calls to potential employers; locate jobs and/or internships for participants who have successfully completed job training programs
- Keep abreast of the employer satisfaction of job placements by contacting employers regularly to provide follow-up as well as follow-up to ensure participant satisfaction
- Teach job readiness training workshops with a focus on job search techniques, resume and cover letter writing, interview skills, and workplace etiquette
- Work with other Case Managers to track and ensure positive outcomes with our clients

#### King County Prosecutor's Office – Seattle, WA

06/2005 - 04/2010

#### **Legal Administrative Specialist**

- Notify Defendants of upcoming court dates
- Organize and maintain the file area in Felony Records and Closed Files; re-file prosecutor files after court calendar and arrange the delivery of case files needed during trial
- Oversaw the shipment and retention of old case files (Knowledgeable of WA State retention laws and Public Disclosure Act)
- Provide general administrative support to Deputy Prosecutors and other PAO staff

- Train new hires of office duties, policies and procedures
- Highly independent work; required strong time management skills and self direction

#### **Education and Certifications**

| CUNY School of Labor & Urban Studies — New York, New York Movement Leader Fellowship               | 12/2022  |
|--|----------|
| Antioch University— Seattle, Washington Case Management Best Practices Certificate Program         | 12/2010  |
| Western Washington University— Bellingham, Washington Bachelor of Arts / Pre-Law (Law & Diversity) | 06/2005  |
| Bellevue Community College— Bellevue, Washington Associate of Arts                                 | 12/2002  |
| Professional Affiliations  |          |
| Georgetown Community Council Board of Directors Chair  | Current  |
| Martin Luther King County Labor Council Delegate   | Current  |
| SEIU Local 6 Staff Union President   | Previous |
| City of Seattle Human Rights Commission Commissioner   | Previous |
| Sound Transit  Diversity Oversight and Project Labor Agreement Committee                           | Previous |
| Seattle Housing Authority Section 3 Oversight and Advisory Committee                               | Previous |
| Employment Action Resource Network (EARN) Recruitment Chair  | Previous |

#### **Labor Standards Advisory Commission**

15 Members: Pursuant to Ord. 124643, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

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

#### Roster:

| *D | **G | RD | Position<br>No. | Position<br>Title | Name               | Term<br>Begin Date | Term<br>End Date | Term<br># | Appointed<br>By |  |
|----|-----|----|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|
|    |     |    | 1.              | Commissioner      | Vacant             | 5/1/23             | 4/30/25          |           | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 2.              | Commissioner      | Alexis Rodich      | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 2         | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 3.              | Commissioner      | Vacant             | 5/1/23             | 4/30/25          |           | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 4.              | Commissioner      | Annie Wise         | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 2         | Mayor           |  |
|    |     | 2  | 5.              | Commissioner      | Greg P. Ramirez    | 5/1/23             | 4/30/25          | 1         | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 6.              | Commissioner      | Vacant             | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          |           | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 7.              | Commissioner      | Diana Ochoa        | 5/1/21             | 4/30/23          | 1         | Mayor           |  |
|    |     |    | 8.              | Commissioner      | Danielle Alvarado  | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 1         | City Council    |  |
|    |     |    | 9.              | Commissioner      | Will Pittz         | 5/1/21             | 4/30/23          | 2         | City Council    |  |
| 6  | F   | 1  | 10.             | Commissioner      | Dustin Lambro      | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 1         | City Council    |  |
|    |     |    | 11.             | Commissioner      | Gay Gilmore        | 5/1/21             | 4/30/23          | 2         | City Council    |  |
| 6  | F   | NA | 12.             | Commissioner      | Ilona Lohrey       | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 2         | City Council    |  |
| 6  | М   | NA | 13.             | Commissioner      | Billy Hetherington | 5/1/21             | 4/30/23          | 1         | City Council    |  |
| 1  | F   | 3  | 14.             | Commissioner      | Jeanie Chunn       | 5/1/22             | 4/30/24          | 2         | City Council    |  |
| 1  | М   | 2  | 15.             | Commissioner      | Joel Shapiro       | 5/1/21             | 04/30/23         | 1         | Commission      |  |

| SELF-   | SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART |        |             | (1)    | (2)   | (3)                           | (4)                 | (5)                                     | (6)   | (7)                            | (8)                 | (9)               |             |
|---------|---------------------------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|         | Male                            | Female | Transgender | NB/O/U | Asian | Black/<br>African<br>American | Hispanic/<br>Latino | American<br>Indian/<br>Alaska<br>Native | Other | Caucasian/<br>Non-<br>Hispanic | Pacific<br>Islander | Middle<br>Eastern | Multiracial |
| Mayor   |                                 |        |             |        |       |                               |                     |   |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Council | 2                               | 3      |             |        | 1     |                               |                     |   |       | 3                              |                     |                   |             |
| Other   | 1                               |        |             |        | 1     |                               |                     |   |       |                                |                     |                   |             |
| Total   | 3                               | 3      |             |        | 2     |                               |                     |   |       | 3                              |                     |                   |             |

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

#### SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL



#### **Legislation Text**

File #: Res 32110, Version: 1

#### **CITY OF SEATTLE**

| RESOLUTION |
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- A RESOLUTION establishing the City's continuing support to advance a public-private partnership through future agreements between The City of Seattle, Seattle Public Schools, and the One Roof Partnership; and addressing funding needs to develop a new world-class Memorial Stadium serving students, youth, and the community and that is transformative for Seattle Center.
- WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 32092 on May 16, 2023, establishing the City's support for a new Memorial Stadium through a public-private partnership to replace the 76-year-old stadium with a financially sustainable, state-of-the-art, multipurpose sports, educational, and entertainment facility of prominent design, centered on students and youth, and fully integrated with the Seattle Center campus (the "Project"); and
- WHEREAS, Seattle Public Schools (SPS) and The City of Seattle ("City") issued a request for proposals and jointly selected the One Roof Partnership, an entity that includes the One Roof Foundation, Seattle Kraken, and Climate Pledge Arena, for further negotiation as a potential partner to invest in, construct, operate, and maintain the Project in partnership with SPS and the City; and
- WHEREAS, the One Roof Partnership proposal for the Project is a vision for a state-of-the-art student- and community-centered facility that provides a significant investment in the lives of students, youth, and the community, and will preserve SPS's ownership and use of the facility for student athletics, graduation, and other educational purposes; and
- WHEREAS, the One Roof Partnership is committed to investing in students through educational experiences, internships, and support for sports, arts, and cultural opportunities; and
- WHEREAS, the One Roof Partnership Project proposal is a design that authentically relates to and integrates

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with the Seattle Center landscape, and reflects its historic and community values; and

- WHEREAS, the One Roof Partnership Project proposal is estimated to cost \$150 million that must be funded through a strong public-private funding partnership; and
- WHEREAS, in February 2022, Seattle voters approved \$66.5 million in the SPS 2022 Building Technology

  Athletics and Academics ("BTA V") levy for the Project; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council approved a \$21 million investment for the Project in the 2023 City budget and also unanimously adopted Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) CEN-602-A-002-2023, which expressed the Council's intent to work with the Mayor and SPS to identify additional funding above the initial \$21 million for the Project, with the goal of reaching a combined total contribution of \$40 million; and
- WHEREAS, the One Roof Partnership is committed to leading the fundraising effort to raise the remaining private and philanthropic dollars necessary to supplement the public funds to close the funding gap and to be responsible for any potential cost increases or cost overruns; and
- WHEREAS, the financial commitments demonstrated through the partnership of the City, SPS and One Roof

  Partnership are essential to successfully securing the private and philanthropic funding needed to

  complete the project budget; NOW, THEREFORE,

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council generally supports the One Roof Partnership's vision for a new Memorial Stadium as described in its response to the City/Seattle Public Schools (SPS) joint request for proposals, and filed with the City Clerk, in particular the commitments to invest in, develop, construct, operate, and maintain a student- and community-oriented Memorial Stadium that will be transformative for Seattle Center and to lead private and philanthropic fundraising. The City Council encourages the Executive's project team to advance discussions on the public-private partnership consistent with the One Roof Partnership's overall vision, and to

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fully develop the range of public benefits described in their proposal for the benefit of SPS students and the Seattle Center community.

Section 2. The City Council established its intent via Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) CEN-602-A-002-2023 to continue working with the Mayor and SPS to identify additional funding, with the goal of reaching a total of \$40 million in City funding to support specific elements of the Memorial Stadium project that would support operations of Seattle Center and expand and enhance open space connections between the campus and the stadium. Building on that intent and to support the completion of agreements to advance the Project, consistent with SLI CEN-602-A-002-2023, the City Council reaffirms its intent to work to identify additional City funding for the Memorial Stadium project anticipated to be needed in 2026-2027, leveraging funds provided by Seattle Public Schools and the One Roof Partnership.

Section 3. The City Council requests that the Mayor's Office and Seattle Center develop the agreements necessary to implement the Project ("Agreements") and transmit legislation to authorize the Agreements for the Council's review and action. These Agreements will address the property and use rights between the City, SPS, and the One Roof Partnership, as well as the design and construction of the Project, the financial and legal terms for the Project's construction, prevailing wage and labor harmony requirements, and responsibilities for the long-term operation of the Project. The Agreements will be subject to review and approval by the City Council and the SPS Board of Directors.

Section 4. The Council requests that Seattle Center, in collaboration with SPS and the One Roof Partnership, implement a community engagement process that helps to ensure that the Project welcomes and serves students and youth, fosters equity and inclusivity, integrates with and supports Seattle Center, and recognizes the importance of the site's history.

| Adopted by the City Council the                    | day of  |        | , 2023, and signed by |
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| me in open session in authentication of its adopti | on this | day of | , 2023.               |

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|                               |                   | of the City Council |
| The Mayor concurred the       | day of            | , 2023.             |
|                               | Bruce A. Harrell, | , Mayor             |
| Filed by me this day of       | f                 | , 2023.             |
|                               | Scheereen Dedm    | an, City Clerk      |
| (Seal)                        |                   |                     |

#### **SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\***

| <b>Department:</b> | Dept. Contact: | CBO Contact:  |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Seattle Center     | Jackie Kirn    | Sarah Burtner |

<sup>\*</sup> Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.

#### 1. BILL SUMMARY

#### **Legislation Title:**

A RESOLUTION establishing the City's continuing support to advance a public-private partnership through future agreements between The City of Seattle, Seattle Public Schools, and the One Roof Partnership; and addressing funding needs to develop a new world-class Memorial Stadium serving students, youth, and the community and that is transformative for Seattle Center.

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

The 76-year-old Memorial Stadium at Seattle Center has lacked reinvestment and needs replacement. Built in 1946-47 on land the City of Seattle donated to Seattle Public Schools (SPS) to construct, operate, and maintain an athletic facility, it serves SPS's students and the community as an essential venue for sports, entertainment, and community events.

The vision for the new Memorial Stadium is a financially sustainable state-of-the-art venue of prominent design centered on students and youth, fully integrated with the Seattle Center campus. The project fulfills important goals of the Century 21 Seattle Center Master plan to increase open space, complete the August Wilson Way cross-campus pedestrian connection, and provide essential operations facilities. The stadium must meet Washington Interscholastic Athletic Association standards under covered stands and additional seated and standing capacity on the field.

The City and SPS jointly issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 20, 2023 (filed with the City Clerk), seeking a private partner to invest in, redevelop, operate, and maintain the project, in partnership with the City and SPS. On June 15, 2023, the City and SPS announced selection of the One Roof Partnership, comprised of the One Roof Foundation, Seattle Kraken and Climate Pledge Arena, for further negotiation as a potential private partner. The One Roof Partnership proposal for the Project is a vision for a state-of-the-art student- and community-centered facility that provides a significant investment in the lives of students, youth, and the community and will preserve SPS's ownership and use of the facility for student athletics, graduation, and other educational purposes. The City and SPS are developing the implementing agreements terms with the One Roof Partnership that must be reviewed and approved by the City Council and SPS Board of Directors.

Approved public funding includes \$66.5 million of voter-approved funds in the 2022 Buildings, Technology, and Academics/Athletics Capital Levy V, \$21 million approved in the City 2023-28 Capital Improvement Plan, and \$4 million approved in the Washington State 2023 capital budget. The City Council also adopted a Statement of Legislative Intent

(SLI) which expressed the Council's intent to work with the Mayor and SPS to identify additional funding with the goal of reaching a combined total contribution of \$40 million. The One Roof Partnership has committed to lead the fundraising effort to provide the balance of the project funding.

This resolution expresses the support of the Mayor and Council for the One Roof Partnership's vision for a new Memorial Stadium as described in its response to the City/SPS joint-RFP, reaffirms City funding consistent with the Statement of Legislative Intent CEN-602-A-002-2023, as amended by CEN-602-A-002-2023 unanimously adopted by the City Council, and requests that the Mayor negotiate agreements necessary to implement the project and transmit legislation to authorize the agreements for the review and action by the Council (the "Agreements"). These Agreements will also be subject to review and action by the SPS Board of Directors. The resolution also requests that Seattle Center, in collaboration with SPS and the One Roof Partnership, implement an additional inclusive and equitable community engagement process.

After adoption of this resolution, the next steps in the project include commencement of the community engagement process, negotiation of the Agreements, and transmittal of legislation to the Council and SPS Board of Directors for review and action.

| 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM   |
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| Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes X No   |
| While this legislation does not create, fund, or amend a CIP project, it is related to the Memorial Stadium Redevelopment project – MC-SC-S9595 created in the 2023-2024 budget. |
| 3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS   |
| Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? Yes _X_ No   |
| Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs? No    |
| Are there financial costs or other impacts of $\textit{not}$ implementing the legislation? No  |
| 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS  |

SPS and the City have joined in partnership with a shared vision for a redeveloped Memorial

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

Stadium.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

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

No

d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

Yes, Memorial Stadium which is owned by SPS and located at Seattle Center. A map is attached.

- e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public? Redevelopment of Memorial Stadium envisions a student-centered project, providing an opportunity to bring student athletics, educational opportunities, arts, and culture together in a common, central iconic place with the intent of achieving the goals of the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative and SPS Board Policy No. 0030, Ensuring Educational and Racial Equity. The City's Language Access Program will be implemented during the community engagement process.
- f. Climate Change Implications
  - 1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?

No

2. 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.

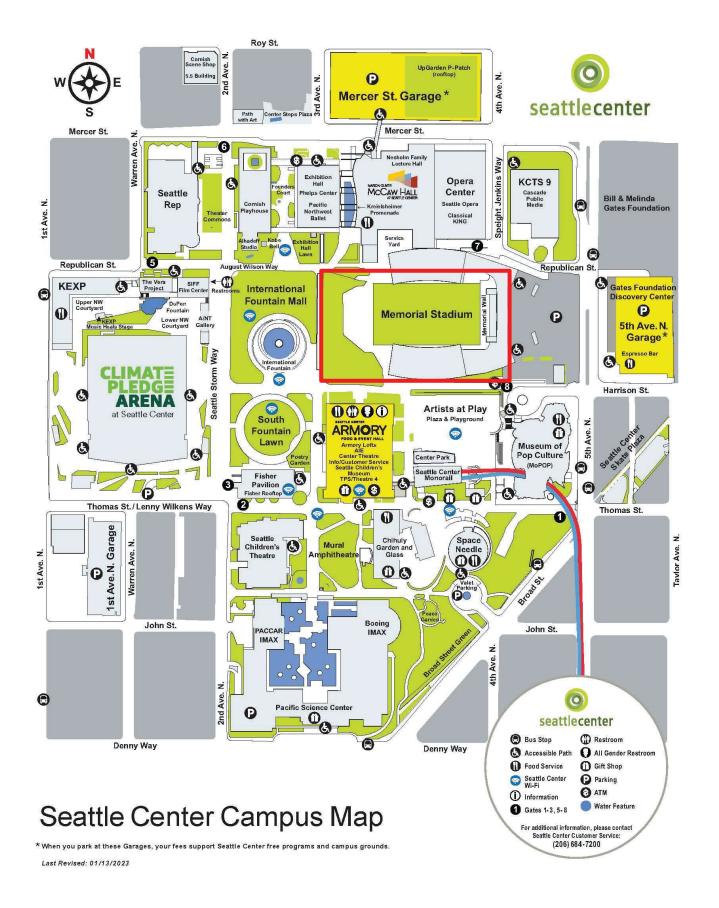
No

g. 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)?

NA

#### **Summary Attachments:**

Summary Attachment A - Vicinity Map















A New Memorial Stadium at Seattle Center

**September 21, 2023** 

## **Today**

Report progress toward a new Memorial Stadium

Present proposed Memorial Stadium resolution





## **History**

The Memorial Wall honors the names of 762 former students who lost their lives in World War II.

The historic Memorial Wall is featured prominently in the proposal submitted in May 2023 by the One Roof Partnership to have a greater place of honor.





## **Background**

Seattle Public Schools and City established a partnership through:

- Seattle Partnership Agreement (November 2017)
- Letter of Intent (October 2021)
- Memorandum of Agreement (November 2022)

City Council supported the Memorial Stadium project:

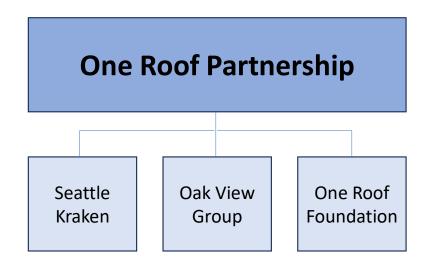
- approved \$21 million Memorial Stadium investment (2023 Budget)
- adopted Statement of Legislative Intent (CEN-602-A-002 2023)
- adopted Resolution 32092 (May 2023)



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## The One Roof Partnership

Seattle Public Schools and the City jointly selected the One Roof Partnership as the potential new Memorial Stadium developer and operator in June through a Request for Proposals.





## One Roof Partnership's Commitments

Deliver a community stadium with student and youth focus:

- Student voices involved in design refinement process
- Educational and youth career development opportunities
- Athletic facilities and programmable spaces for arts and culture
- Design that is sustainable and transformative for Seattle Center



# One Roof Partnership's Proposed Roles

- Lead and contribute to fundraising
- Lead stadium development
- Operate and maintain facility
- Generate revenues for financially sustainable O&M



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## **Funding**

- \$66.5M Voter-approved BTA V levy funds
- \$4M Washington State Local and Community Program Grant
- \$21M City funds in 2024-2028 CIP
- Council intent to work with the Mayor to identify additional \$19M (SLI CEN-601-A-002-2023)
- Philanthropic funding led by One Roof Partnership



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### **Next Steps**

- Negotiate key terms of implementing agreements
- Transmit proposed implementing agreements to City Council and Seattle Public Schools Board of Directors for consideration in early 2024
- Expand community engagement



### Resolution

- Reaffirms City support to advance the public-private partnership
- Reaffirms Council's intent in SLI CEN-602-A-002 2023
- Requests Mayor's Office and Seattle Center develop implementing documents and transmit legislation to Council
- Requests equitable and inclusive community engagement process as a collaborative effort between Seattle Public Schools, One Roof Partnership and Seattle Center



#### SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL



#### **Legislation Text**

File #: CB 120665, Version: 1

#### CITY OF SEATTLE

| ORDINANCE    |  |
|--------------|--|
| COUNCIL BILL |  |

- AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 5.24.020 and 5.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) to adjust the thresholds upon which the City Council is briefed about settlement and claims matters in Executive Session; and amending SMC 5.24.020 to require twice-annual litigation briefings in Executive Session. WHEREAS, the statute regarding payment of judgments, Section 5.24.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code
  - (SMC), was originally established in 1979 and presently requires that prior to authorizing any litigation settlements over \$500,000, "the City Attorney shall brief the City Council regarding the proposed settlement during executive session called pursuant to RCW 42.30.110"; and
- WHEREAS, the threshold for briefings was set at \$500,000 in Ordinance 120521 in 2001 and has not been adjusted since that time; and
- WHEREAS, likewise, the threshold for an Executive Session briefing on claims matters as established in SMC 5.24.030 was established in Ordinance 120521 in 2001 at \$100,000 and has not been adjusted since 2001; and
- WHEREAS, adjusting the thresholds for inflation would produce values 70 percent above their current levels and retain the original purposes for the Council receiving Executive Session briefings of significant settlement and claims matters; and
- WHEREAS, adjusting the thresholds for settlement and claims briefings will retain the Council's present role in reviewing significant settlement and claims matters while allowing smaller-amount settlements and claims to receive prompt attention and resolution; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution 31847 established Policy 12, which became effective on January 1, 2019, and requires

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the Director of Finance, the Director of Risk Management, and the City Attorney to provide an annual briefing on individual settlements over \$200,000 to Council in Executive Session; and

- WHEREAS, Resolution 31847 maintains Council's ability to receive aggregated data on the City's claims and track trends that inform future policy decisions; and
- WHEREAS, just as Council sees benefit from aggregated claims briefings in Executive Session, this ordinance will amend SMC 5.24.020 to require twice-annual Executive Sessions to discuss litigation impacting the laws and regulations of Seattle to bring awareness to larger trends; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Section 5.24.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 125492, is amended as follows:

#### 5.24.020 Payment of judgments

A. Twice annually, in March and September, the City Attorney shall provide a summary briefing to the City Council in Executive Session on significant litigation that challenges or impacts provisions of the Seattle Municipal Code or its implementing rules and regulations.

B. The City Attorney may authorize payment of any settlement arising out of litigation against the City or any judgment against the City. Prior to authorizing settlement of any litigation for an amount over ((\$\\$500,000)) \\$1,000,000, the City Attorney shall brief the City Council regarding the proposed settlement during executive session called pursuant to RCW 42.30.110. Prior to authorizing a settlement involving significant financial or policy issues, the City Attorney shall consult with the City Budget Director, the Director of Finance and Administrative Services, and the head of the relevant department. Upon a presentation by the City Attorney to the Director of Finance and Administrative Services of either a copy of a Release and Order of Dismissal or a copy of a judgment against the City, entered in an appropriate court, and having attached thereto a statement in writing, signed by the City Attorney, to the effect that the right of appeal from such judgment has been expressly waived, or that the time for an appeal has expired, the Director of Finance and Administrative

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Services shall issue a check upon the Judgment/Claims Fund for the amount of such judgment, and costs if awarded to the claimant by the court. The City Council may periodically review the briefing threshold amount against inflation to determine whether the threshold is appropriate for the purposes of this section.

Section 2. Section 5.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 123361, is amended as follows:

#### 5.24.030 Payment of claims

The Director of Finance and Administrative Services may authorize payment of any claim against the City, including claims brought in the small claims department of the district court pursuant to chapter 12.40 RCW. Prior to authorizing settlement of any claim for an amount over ((\$100,000)) \$200,000, the Director of Finance and Administrative Services and the City Attorney shall brief the City Council regarding the proposed settlement during executive session called pursuant to RCW 42.30.110. Prior to authorizing a settlement involving significant legal or policy issues, the Director of Finance and Administrative Services shall consult with the City Budget Director, the City Attorney and the head of the relevant department.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

| Passed by the City Council the              | day of         |            | , 2023, and sign | ned by   |
|---|----------------|------------|------------------|----------|
| me in open session in authentication of its | s passage this | day of     |                  | _, 2023. |
|   | President      | of the Cit | y Council        |          |
| Approved / returned unsigned /              | vetoed this    | day of     | . 2023.          |          |

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                      | Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor      |
|                                      |                              |
| Filed by me this day of              | , 2023.                      |
|                                      |                              |
|                                      | Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk |
| (Seal)                               |                              |
| Attachments (if any):                |                              |

#### **SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\***

| Department: | Dept. Contact: | CBO Contact: |
|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| LEG         | Esther Handy   | n/a          |

#### 1. BILL SUMMARY

#### **Legislation Title:**

AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 5.24.020 and 5.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) to adjust the thresholds upon which the City Council is briefed about settlement and claims matters in Executive Session; and amending SMC 5.24.020 to require twice-annual litigation briefings in Executive Session.

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

First, this bill creates a requirement that the City Attorney must provide two briefings per year to the City Council in Executive Session regarding the pending litigation that implicates the Seattle Municipal Code and implementing rules and regulations. These macro briefings give the City Council an opportunity to see trends in litigation or examine the policies that are subject to litigation.

Second, this bill modifies the settlement and claims thresholds that trigger a requirement for City Council briefing prior to the resolution of a settlement or claim. In 2001, the threshold for briefings was set at \$500,000 in Ordinance 120521. The amount has not been adjusted since that time. Likewise, the threshold for an Executive Session briefing on claims matters is established in SMC 5.24.030 was established in Ordinance 120521 in 2001 at \$100,000 and has not been adjusted since 2001. Together, the two statutes, SMC 5.24.020 and 5.24.030, establish briefing thresholds which require the City Attorney to brief the City Council on the judgement or settlement of a claim before resolving the matter. Minimally adjusting the thresholds for inflation would produce values 70% above their current levels. This legislation adjusts the thresholds to \$1,000,000 for a settlement of litigation and \$200,000 for settlement of a claim, with the goal to retain the original purposes for the Council receiving Executive Session briefings of significant settlement and claims matters. An adjustment tethered just above current inflation will retain the Council's present role in reviewing significant settlement and claims matters while allowing smaller amount settlements and claims to receive prompt attention and resolution.

#### 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes X No If yes, please fill out the table below and attach a new (if creating a project) or marked-up (if amending) CIP Page to the Council Bill. Please include the spending plan as part of the attached CIP Page. If no, please delete the table.

#### 3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget?

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete the table below.

<sup>\*</sup> Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term, or long-term costs?  $N_{\rm O}$ 

Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation? No

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete sections 3.a., 3.b., and 3.c. and answer the questions in Section 4.

#### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- **a.** Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department? The City Attorney's Office (LAW) and Finance and Administrative Services
- **b.** Is a public hearing required for this legislation?
- c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

  No.
- d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?  $N_{\rm O}$
- e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public? Adjusting the briefing thresholds will expedite the resolution and release of lower dollar value claims to claimants, for example property damage claims. To the extent that vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities experience damage to property and raise a claim with the city but must front-end costs while awaiting a settlement, removing the City Council briefing from the sequence of requirements that must occur prior to payment can reduce the amount of time before a claimant receives relief from their claim. This brings greater equity outcomes to the claimant process.
- f. Climate Change Implications
  - Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?
     No.
  - 2. 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.

    No.
- g. 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)?  $\rm\,N/A$

Henry Governance, Native Communities and Tribal Governments Committee September 19, 2023 D1

#### Amendment 1 Version 1 to CB 120665

**Sponsor:** Councilmember Juarez

Clarifying the scope of litigation impacts that are ripe for Executive Sessions

**Effect:** This amendment adds the word "materially" before "impacts" in SMC 5.24.020 to clarify the types of matters that are appropriate for Executive Sessions in which the City Attorney briefs the Council on significant litigation that challenges or impacts the code.

Amend Section 1 of CB 120665 as follows:

Section 1. Section 5.24.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 125492, is amended as follows:

#### 5.24.020 Payment of judgments

A. Twice annually, in March and September, the City Attorney shall provide a summary briefing to the City Council in Executive Session on significant litigation that challenges or materially impacts provisions of the Seattle Municipal Code or its implementing rules and regulations.

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