




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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| Appointee Name: <i>Joan Chen</i> | | |
| Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board</i> | | Position Title: <i>Member</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment | | City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i> | | Term of Position: * 9/1/2024 to 8/31/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i> |
| Residential Neighborhood: <i>Capitol Hill</i> | Zip Code: <i>98112</i> | Contact Phone No.: <i>Business phone # - NOT personal phone #</i> |
| Background: <i>Joan Chen works as a landscape designer on parks and open space projects. She is a lifelong cyclist, relying on her bicycle to get around town, and wants Seattle to be a place where it is safe and enjoyable for all cyclists to get around, not just the fit and risk-tolerant.</i> | | |
| Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): August 25 th , 2025 | | Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i> |

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

Joan Chen

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| Education | HARVARD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF DESIGN Master of Landscape Architecture - <i>Cambridge, MA</i> Dean's Merit Scholarship Recipient (2016-19) Penny White Project Grant (2018) | |
| | MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Bachelor of Science in Architecture - <i>Cambridge, MA</i> | |
| Experience | Mithun <i>Landscape designer – Seattle, WA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed, modeled, documented five park improvement projects for City of Shoreline, WA; parks under construction or in permitting | 2023 - present |
| | Margie Ruddick Landscape <i>Landscape designer – White Plains, NY</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed, modeled, and produced drawing sets for a variety of public, residential, and commercial projects; public projects include a new 26-acre public park in Sleepy Hollow, NY (concept thru SD); residential projects range from a 1-acre garden in Long Island (concept thru CA) to a 600-acre estate in upstate NY (master plan)Managed and updated graphic standards for the 6-person firm | 2021-23 |
| | Iowa State University, Department of Landscape Architecture <i>Assistant Teaching Professor - Ames, IA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Taught landscape architecture design studios and lecture courses in landscape construction, theory, and digital methods; courses include the travelling Savanna Studio (LA 201, LA 281, LA 272) and third-year ecological design studio (LA 302)Taught two sections of Design Studio I (DSN S 102) in the Core Program and served on planning committee to adapt curriculum for hybrid/digital deliveryServed on College of Design Lecture & Exhibitions Committee | 2019-21 |
| | Robert A.M. Stern Architects <i>Architectural designer – New York, NY</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed master plan and concept design for Skidmore College admissions buildingDesigned, modeled, and produced SD and DD drawing sets for mixed use developments in Jinjiang (825,000m²) and Changchun (120,000m²); projects under constructionManaged BIM models using Revit for the Changchun project | 2014-16 |
| | Zephyr(US) Architects <i>Junior architect – Beijing, China</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed, modeled, and produced SD and DD drawing sets for a residential complex in Dalian (70,000 m²) and a mixed-use complex in Shenyang (480,000 m²)Coordinated communication between clients and foreign architects | 2013-14 |
| | Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center <i>Reading room manager – Boston, MA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Operated community-run reading room in Boston's ChinatownRecruited, trained, and managed 20+ volunteers; developed and managed relationships with Boston Public Library, various donors, and other partners in the community | 2012-13 |
| | Skills Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects; ArcGIS (Desktop, Pro, Online), QGIS; AutoCAD; Rhinoceros + Grasshopper, SketchUp; Revit | |

Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board

12 Members: Pursuant to Resolution 30995; all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 7 Mayor- appointed
- 5 City Council- appointed

Roster:

| *D | **G | RD | Position No. | Position Title | Name | Term Begin Date | Term End Date | Term # | Appointed By |
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| 6 | F | 4 | 1. | Member | Ksenia I. Ershova | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2027 | 2 | Mayor |
| 6 | F | 2 | 2. | Member | Kathryn L. Ricchiuto | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | City Council |
| 9 | F | 3 | 3. | Member | Nia Ransom | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2027 | 2 | Mayor |
| 2 | M | 2 | 4. | Member | Madin Akpo-Esambe | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2027 | 2 | City Council |
| 1 | M | 6 | 5. | Member | Taylor Hom | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2027 | 2 | Mayor |
| | | | 6. | Member | | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2027 | | City Council |
| | | | 7. | Member | Joan Chen | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | Mayor |
| 3 | M | 2 | 8. | Member | Rafael Ronquillo | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | City Council |
| 6 | NB/O | 3 | 9. | Member | Molly McNeely | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | Mayor |
| 6 | M | 1 | 10. | Member | Maxwell Baker | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | City Council |
| 2 | M | 3 | 11. | Member | Joseph Roberts | 9/1/2024 | 8/31/2026 | 2 | Mayor |
| | | | 12. | Get Engaged Member | Naomi Cutler | 9/1/2025 | 8/31/2026 | 1 | Mayor |

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

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.