



# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Laurie Rocello Torres</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle Renters' Commission</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input 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>Date Appointed:</b> <i>9/4/2017</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> <i>3/1/2017</i> to <i>2/28/2018</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Central District</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98122</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> 
<b>Background:</b> Laurie Rocello Torres' work with social justice began when they moved to Seattle in 2013 for a year long service fellowship with Puget Sound Sage after graduating with a Bachelors in Organizational Communications from Bradley University. They are passionate about equitable transit oriented development and anti-displacement work. They have done work around environmental, economic, gender, racial and transformative justice in the community. In their free time Laurie loves to sing, dance, and teach a community self-defense and wellness class for queer and trans people of color called Building Autonomy and Safety for Everybody (BASE). They also currently serves as the Deputy Secretary General of GABRIELA Seattle, a collective of Pin@ys who do cultural and political education work around labor issues impacting Filipino migrant workers. They are also a member of Got Green's Young Workers in the Green Movement.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b> 		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Councilmember Tim Burgess</i>

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

# Laurie Rocello Torres

<p><b>Paid Work Experience</b></p>	<p><i>Community Facilitator, LGBTQ Allyship</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitates Know Your Worker Rights workshops for LGBTQ community.</li> <li>• Launched and coordinates LGBTQ economic justice programs.</li> <li>• Connects individuals with services, resources, and information specific to work related issues.</li> </ul> <p><i>Part-Time Event Assistant, Transportation Choices Coalition</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinated and developed marketing and collateral materials.</li> <li>• Coordinated with agency staff from the City of Seattle, Sound Transit, and King County Metro for opening of Capitol Hill and UW Light Rail Stations.</li> </ul> <p><i>WorkSource Connection Lab Assistant, Seattle Goodwill</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assists students and public with job searching.</li> <li>• Structures and edits cover letters and resumes.</li> <li>• Connects individuals with services, resources, and information.</li> </ul> <p><i>Part-Time BASE Outreach Coordinator, Bayan Queer Collective</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distributes information for free self-defense and wellness class series designed for queer and trans people of color participants.</li> <li>• Coordinates with allied organizations for participant recruitment.</li> <li>• Manages barriers to class attendance such as transportation and childcare.</li> </ul> <p><i>Volunteer Specialist, YWCA Seattle</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruited and oriented volunteers to YWCA.</li> <li>• Updated and maintained volunteer postings on community service oriented websites.</li> </ul> <p><i>Project Associate, Forterra</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manages event invitee and attendees using constituent management program Raisers Edge.</li> <li>• Conducts necessary research to deepen organization understanding of pertinent topics (e.g. climate change, timber market, millennial trends)</li> </ul> <p><i>Organizing Fellow, Fuse Washington</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized and ran volunteer phonebank efforts for Democratic State Senate candidates Matt Isenhower and Tammy Green</li> <li>• Recruited volunteers for phonebanking and door to door GOTV efforts</li> </ul>	<p>2016 - Present</p> <p>2016</p> <p>2015 - 2016</p> <p>2015</p> <p>2014</p>
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	<p><i>Annual Dinner Event Coordinator, Social Justice Fund Northwest</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported coordination of vendors, venue, and in-kind sponsors.</li> <li>• Tracked event sponsorships, and confirm sponsor benefits.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Volunteer Corps Experience</b></p>	<p><i>Fellow, Quaker Experiential Service and Training (QuEST)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiated discussion to analyze and revise admission policy to ensure equity in alignment with organizational values.</li> <li>• Proposed tangible process for admissions procedures, evaluation, and restructuring.</li> <li>• Completed placement at Puget Sound Sage</li> </ul> <p><i>Coalition and Research Fellow, Puget Sound Sage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created campaign matrix to advocate for issues on different campaigns to educate and mobilize coalition members and community allies.</li> <li>• Researched city street and alley vacation policies to help frame the issue of good jobs and transportations as public benefits.</li> </ul>	<p>2013 -2014</p>
<p><b>Volunteer Community Experience</b></p>	<p><i>Deputy Secretary General, GABRIELA Seattle</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinates campaigns for Pacific Northwest Region with other organizations.</li> <li>• Represents organization at public events through public speaking.</li> <li>• Writes and edits press statements regarding campaigns and issues affecting the Filipino community.</li> </ul> <p><i>Community Leadership Institute Cohort Member, Puget Sound Sage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attends trainings and workshops on various political issues in King and Pierce County.</li> <li>• Served on Move Seattle Levy Oversight Commission upon completion of the Fellowship, representing interests of communities of color.</li> <li>• Served as Central District Community representative at Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda meetings.</li> </ul> <p><i>#LuluNation &amp; the SadBoisHypeClub Host, Hollow Earth Radio</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grassroots online radio show featuring Queer and Trans People of Color committed to media justice.</li> <li>• Wrote solidarity letter addressing the need for anti-racist accountability processes within HER as part of building a Safe Space community.</li> </ul> <p><i>Environmental Justice Giving Project, Social Justice Fund</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted site visits with grassroots organizations and non-profits working at the intersection of racial, economic, and environmental justice.</li> <li>• Assisted in collectively raising over \$155,000 to fund 7</li> </ul>	<p>2016 - Present</p> <p>2015 - Present</p>



# Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125280*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, one-and-two year terms for initial round of appointments, two-year terms thereafter:

- 6 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed (one Get-Engaged Member)
- 2 Commission-appointed

## Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	NB	1	1.	Member	Jessie Jacobs	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
3	M	6	2.	Member	Michael Padilla Ocampo	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
6	F	4	3.	Member	Jessica Westgren	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
2	M	2	4.	Member	Clifford C. Cawthon	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
1	NB	3	5.	Member	Laurie Rocello Torres	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
9	M	7	6.	Member	L. Curtis Blankinship	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
			7.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
			8.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
			9.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
			10.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
			11.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
			12.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
			13.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Commission
			14.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Commission
			15.	Get Engaged Member		9/1/17	8/31/18	1	Mayor

## SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

	Men	Women	Transgender	Non-Binary/Other/Unknown	(1) Asian	(2) Black/African American	(3) Hispanic/Latino	(4) American Indian/Alaska Native	(5) Other	(6) Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	(7) Pacific Islander	(8) Middle Eastern	(9) Multiracial
Mayor													
Council	3	1		2	1	1	1			2	1		
Other													
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>		

## 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.*