

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, April 22, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Sara Nelson, Council President

Joy Hollingsworth, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Cathy Moore, Member

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Mark Solomon, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

Chair Info: 206-684-8809; Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on April 22, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Excused: 2 - Kettle, Saka

C. PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Phil Brandt
Timothy Firth
Hannah Lindell-Smith
Henry Zhang
Kenzie Knapp
Rachael Snell
Natalie Morgan
Kari Bull
Cinthia Illan-Vazquez
Cindy Black
Dan French
David Haines
Alice Woldt
Ken Dammand
Jon DeVaan
Lilliane Ballesteros
Kim Albert
Barb Tengtio
Martina Pansze
Benjamin Sibelman
Andrea Ornelas
Alex Tsimerman
Rich Voget
Mauricio Ayón

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 476](#)

April 22, 2025

By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:**1. [Min 516](#) April 15, 2025**

The Minutes (Min) were adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Bills:**2. [CB 120973](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of April 7, 2025, through April 11, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Council Bill (CB) was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Appointments:**LAND USE COMMITTEE:****3. [Appt 03115](#) Appointment of Raymond W. Gastil as member, Seattle Design Commission, for a term to February 28, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

4. [Appt 03116](#) **Appointment of Shirin Masoudi as member, Seattle Design Commission, for a term to February 28, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

5. [Appt 03117](#) **Reappointment of Phoebe Erin Bogert as member, Seattle Design Commission, for a term to February 28, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

6. [Appt 03118](#) **Reappointment of Ben Gist as member, Seattle Design Commission, for a term to February 28, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

7. [Appt 03119](#) **Reappointment of Kevin O'Neill as chair and member, Seattle Design Commission, for a term to February 28, 2027.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [Res 32169](#) **A RESOLUTION retiring introduced and referred Council Bills, Resolutions, Clerk Files, and Appointments that have received no further action.**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32169.

The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

2. [CB 120957](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to publicly-financed election campaigns; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City at an election to be held on August 5, 2025, of a proposition authorizing the City to levy regular property taxes for up to ten years in excess of the limitation on levies in chapter 84.55 RCW for the purpose of funding the cost and administration of the City's Democracy Voucher program and other City purposes; outlining a process for contemplation of changes to the program; applying RCW 84.36.381's senior citizens and disabled persons exemption to such levy; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

LAND USE COMMITTEE:

3. [CB 120948](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to Seattle's construction codes; allowing for the extension of certain projects and building permits; amending Sections 106.6.10, 106.9, and 106.10 of the Seattle Building Code, adopted by Ordinance 127108.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on April 29, 2025.

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council