

Indigenous Advisory Council

Implementation Updates

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SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOODS

centering race + equity | investing in community solutions



THRIVING COMMUNITY: ONE SEATTLE

COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS

Connecting Seattleites closer to each other and City government by building strong communities, engaging in mutual learning, and finding shared solutions.

COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS

Funding community-driven projects that strengthen neighborhoods and improve quality of life.

COMMUNITY EQUITY INITIATIVES

Investing in programs that change the impact of City policies in historically harmed communities from systemically inequitable to restorative and community-centered.

COMMUNITY PLACES

Cultivating public spaces through historic preservation and community gardens that promote connection, belonging, and well-being.

COMMUNITY STORIES

Amplifying the voices and work of community through people-centered storytelling.

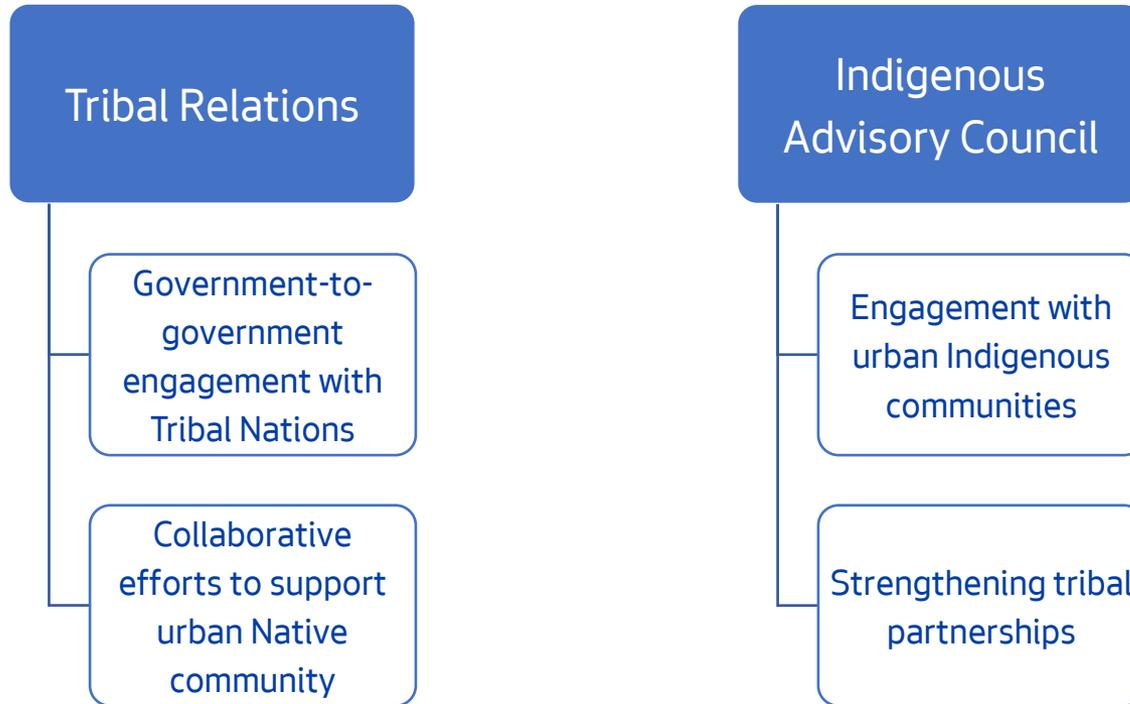
INDIGENOUS ADVISORY COUNCIL



Purpose

Advise the Mayor, City Council, and City departments on policies and issues directly affecting Indigenous populations including American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian people

Indigenous Engagement



Timeline

Timeframe	Milestone
November 2020	Ord. 126237 authorizes Indigenous Advisory Council Liaison position
November 2021	Indigenous Advisory Council Liaison hired
December 2021	Ord. 126512 authorizes development of the Indigenous Advisory Council
December - March 2022	Candidate outreach & engagement with 78 Indigenous-led & Indigenous-serving entities
January - March 2022	Application period
July 2022	Recommended appointments considered by the Governance, Native Communities, & Tribal Governments Committee

Structure

- **Position 1 & 2:** A member of an Indigenous Tribe located in Washington State and nominated by the respective tribal council as their official delegate
- **Position 3:** A member of an Indigenous Tribe and nominated by the respective tribal council as their official delegate
- **Position 4:** An Indigenous youth aged 18-29
- **Position 5:** An Indigenous elder aged 50 or older
- **Position 6-9:** A representative from an urban Indian organization and nominated by the Board of Directors of the respective urban Indian organization

Structure

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Appointing Authority	Any Tribe in WA	Any Tribe in WA	Any Tribe	Youth	Elder	Urban Native Org	Urban Native Org	Urban Native Org	Urban Native Org
Seattle City Council	X*	X			X	X*	X		
Mayor's Office			X	X*				X*	X

* = Initial term of 1 year



Outreach & Engagement



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78

Indigenous-led or Indigenous-serving entities
outreached

35

Engagement sessions including presentations,
conversations, and email communication

30

Completed applications

15

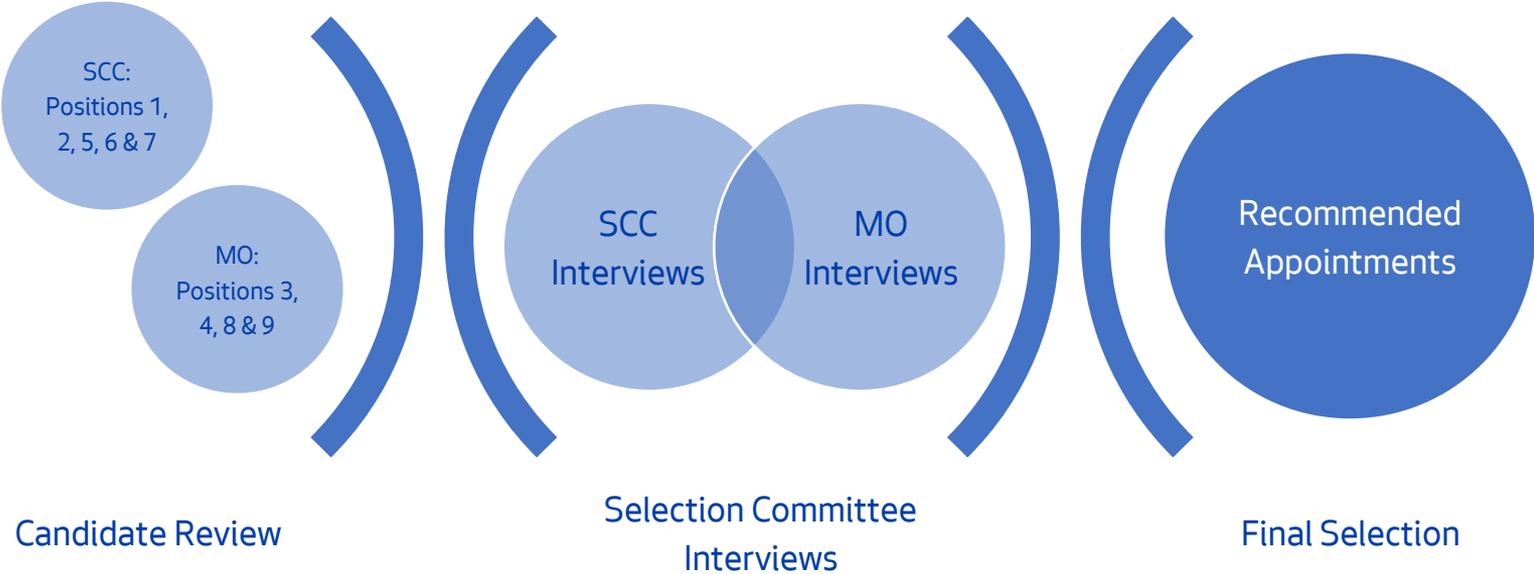
Finalist interviews

Selection Principles

- Diverse perspectives and experience that reflect a variety of Indigenous communities in and around the Seattle region
- Broad geographic representation from neighborhoods and Indigenous communities across Seattle and the region
- Ability to serve as liaisons to a variety of Indigenous community networks and groups
- Ability to engage in collaborative policy and advocacy



Selection Committees



Next Steps

Timeframe	Milestone
July-August 2022	IAC members confirmed
August-November 2022	IAC monthly meetings to determine governance structure, priorities, and strategic planning process
December 2022	IAC 2023 workplan presented to Seattle City Council
Summer 2023	2023 application period for Positions 1 & 6 (Appointed by SCC) and 4 & 8 (Appointed by MO)

Questions?

