

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, July 22, 2025

1:00 PM

Special Meeting

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Sara Nelson, Council President

Joy Hollingsworth, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Mark Solomon, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in special session in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on July 22, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Public Comment.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Katherine Kang
Becky Kelley
Caroline Kim
Julie Kang
Nicole Collora
Jim Street
Kerri Brown-Wooster
Julie Ricketts
Robin Peel
Margaret Chan
Renée Staton
Patty Lee
Catherine Gibson
Steve Adams
Paul Kwon
David Haines
Richard Williams
Ashley Ford
Russell McQuarrie-Means
Keehoon Park
Emma Champain
Charlie Lapham
Bennett Haselton
David Basior
Seraphina Kwon
Sujeong Yun
Tara Schreiber
Joanne Foster
Eunhee Sumner
Leo Falit-Baiamonte

Councilmember Rivera left the Council Chamber.

D. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 489](#)

July 22, 2025

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

F. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Bills:

1. [CB 121035](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of July 7, 2025, through July 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, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

Appointments:

SUSTAINABILITY, CITY LIGHT, ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE:

2. [Appt 03177](#) **Appointment of Jo Mikesell as member, Seattle Arts Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

3. [Appt 03219](#) **Appointment of Brittani Cain as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

4. [Appt 03220](#) **Appointment of Akiksha Chatterji as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

5. [Appt 03221](#) **Appointment of Rosalund Jenkins as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

6. [Appt 03222](#) **Appointment of John Sanchez as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

7. [Appt 03223](#) **Appointment of Jamie Stroble as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

8. [Appt 03224](#) **Appointment of Leah Wood as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

9. [Appt 03225](#) **Reappointment of Peter Hasegawa as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

10. [Appt 03226](#) Reappointment of Nina Olivier as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

11. [Appt 03227](#) Reappointment of Emily Pinckney as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2028.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Rivera

Councilmember Rivera returned to the Council Chamber.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUSTAINABILITY, CITY LIGHT, ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE:

1. [CB 121025](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of City Light to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Kalispel Tribe of Indians.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 8 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

I. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

J. PRESENTATIONS

The following City Council District 5 Position finalists each made a three-minute presentation:

James M. Bourey

Katy Haima

Nilu Jenks

Debora Juarez

Julie Kang

Robert D. Wilson

The City Council then provided comments and asked questions of the finalists.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Phillip Wood-Smith, Deputy City Clerk

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

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council