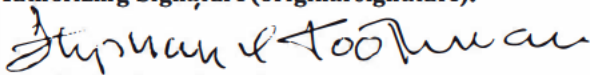




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Karen True		
Board/Commission Name: Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority		Position Title: Member, Position #8
X Appointment OR Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: City Council Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (HSPDA Council)		Term of Position: * 12/1/2022 to 11/30/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood Kirkland	Zip Code: 98034	Contact Phone No. [REDACTED]
Background: See attached resume.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 12/13/2022		Appointing Signatory: Stephanie Toothman HSPDA Council Chair

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

KAREN TRUE

SUMMARY

Karen has long approached work in communities by building and nurturing connections, trust, and a sense of place. Whether in a downtown core or suburban hub, along a bus route or trail, on a small-town Main Street or beloved historic district, there are always people who care about their places and each other. And there are always opportunities.

As Director of Business & Community Development for the Alliance for Pioneer Square, Karen's approach was part retail recruitment, part matchmaking, part business consultation, and full-time community building. Her work in community engagement and public space activation included roles as founding executive director for Third Place Commons and the Great Places Forum, and the launch of the still-thriving Lake Forest Farmers Market. She worked for several years on myriad projects with friend, community developer, and mentor: Ron Sher. Karen continues to enjoy connecting people, places, and experiences with maps, guides, and consultation through her own business, True Guides.

LEADERSHIP

Historic South Downtown
Preservation & Development
Authority Board of Directors
2018-2021

ULI Northwest Thriving
Communities Task Force
2007-2021

KCLS Foundation
(King Co. Library System)
2009-2013

EXPERIENCE

Alliance for Pioneer Square

Director Business & Community Development
2012-2021

Sher Partners/Third Place Co.

Director Community Development
2007-2011

Great Places Forum

Executive Director
2005-2007

Third Place Commons

Executive Director
2002-2007

True Guides

Founded 2000

Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority

DECEMBER 2022

12 members: Per *RCW 35.21.730* and *Seattle Municipal Code 3.110*, all subject to City Council confirmation.

- 4 Mayor-appointed
- 8 Other Authority-appointed (specify): (4) PDA Governing Council and (4) PDA Constituency

Roster:

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M	1.	Member	David Yeaworth	11/30/20	11/30/24	2	Constituency
6	F	2.	Chair	Stephanie Toothman	11/30/21	11/30/22	2	Mayor
6	F	3.	Member	Stephanie Johnson Toliver	11/30/21	11/30/23	1	Governing Council
2	M	4.	Vice Chair	Kenny Pittman	11/30/20	11/30/24	1	Mayor
1	F	5.	Member	Mariko Park	11/30/21	11/30/22	1	Constituency
2	M	6.	Member	Georgio Brown	11/30/20	11/30/24	1	Governing Council
6	F	7.	Member	Mary McCumber	11/30/18	11/30/22	6	Governing Council
6	F	8.	Member	Karen True	12/1/22	11/30/26	1	Governing Council
1	F	9.	Secretary	Valerie Tran	11/30/18	11/30/22	2	Mayor
6	M	10.	Member	Rick Sever	11/30/19	11/30/23	5	Constituency
6	M	11.	Treasurer	Jack O'Connor	11/30/19	11/30/23	1	Mayor

Diversity Chart:

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	***Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	2	2			1	1				2			
HS Council	2	2				2				2			
Other	2	2			1					3			
Total	6	6			2	3				7			

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M or F

***Other Includes diversity in any of the following: *race, gender and/or ability*