

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



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2:00 PM

Public Hearing

Remote Meeting. Call 253-215-8782; Meeting ID: 586 416 9164; or
Seattle Channel online.

City Council

M. Lorena González, President

Lisa Herbold, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Andrew J. Lewis, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Teresa Mosqueda, Member

Alex Pedersen, Member

Kshama Sawant, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

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In-person attendance is currently prohibited per Washington State Governor's Proclamation 20-28.15, until the COVID-19 State of Emergency is terminated or Proclamation 20-28 is rescinded by the Governor or State legislature. Meeting participation is limited to access by telephone conference line and online by the Seattle Channel.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met remotely pursuant to Washington State Governor's Proclamation 20-28.15, and guidance provided by the Attorney General's Office, on September 20, 2021, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:09 p.m., with Council President González presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

C. PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember González, presented a Proclamation declaring September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Councilmember González to present the Proclamation and to allow Dr. Amy Firestein to address the Council.

Councilmember Pedersen introduced Lenny Wilkens, who is being recognized with an honorary street designation "Lenny Wilkens Way," as provided in Resolution 32019. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Mr. Wilkins to address the Council.

D. APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

[Min 347](#)

September 13, 2021

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Minutes by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes:

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR

[IRC 318](#) **September 20, 2021**

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Introduction and Referral Calendar (IRC) by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Agenda.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to provide a 60 minute Public Comment period.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Howard Gale
- Nshan Burns
- Daniel Kavanaugh
- Jonah Silverstein
- Peter Condit
- Manmit Singh
- Shelby Handler
- Samia Saliba
- Nevet Basker
- Maxima Patashnik
- Jeremy Voss
- Clara Prizont
- Dante Meola
- Amanda Farman
- Alycia Lewis
- Blythe Serrano
- Aisha Mansour
- Margot Stewart
- Sonja Ponath
- Henry Luke
- Miri Cypred
- Carolyn Hathaway
- Kimberly Nesta
- Eliana Horn
- Nikhil Lonberg
- Stefanie Fox
- Percell Johnson
- Benjamin Danielson
- Abby Brook
- Tzur Shupack
- Nina Kranzdorf
- Tamar Wilson
- Susan Koppelman
- Deborah Massachi
- George Northcroft
- Kelly Johnson
- Shani Zuniga
- Cynthia Harper

Cricket Keating
Jade Jost
Linda Seltzer
Randy Kessler
Shamir Tanna
Randy Wilkens
Melvin Pender

H. PUBLIC HEARING

[CB 120157](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to affordable housing on properties owned or controlled by religious organizations; modifying affordability requirements adopted in Ordinance 126384; and amending Section 23.42.055 of the Seattle Municipal Code and Section 10 of Ordinance 126384.**

A Public Hearing was held.

I. PAYMENT OF BILLS

[CB 120179](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims for the week of September 6, 2021 through September 10, 2021 and ordering the payment thereof.**

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 120179.

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

J. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [Appt 02034](#) **Appointment of Marques J. Gittens as member, Families, Education, Preschool and Promise Levy Oversight Committee, for a term to December 31, 2022.**

Motion was made and duly seconded to confirm Appointment 02034.

The Motion carried, and the Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

GOVERNANCE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

2. [Appt 02033](#) **Reappointment of David G. Jones as City Auditor, for a term to December 13, 2025.**

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

In Favor: 5 - González , Juarez, Mosqueda, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Oath of Office was administered to David G. Jones by Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk, and then Mr. Jones provided brief remarks to the Council.

3. [CB 120172](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to City employment, commonly referred to as the Third Quarter 2021 Employment Ordinance; returning positions to the civil service system; and amending classification titles.**

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

In Favor: 5 - González , Juarez, Mosqueda, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:

4. [CB 120142](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Police Department; prohibiting training, exchanges, and partnerships with certain governments; and adding a new Section 3.28.141 to the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Herbold, Morales, Sawant

Opposed: None

Abstain: 2 - González , Lewis

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 120142, Section 1, Seattle Municipal Code Section 3.28.141.B, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

3.28.141 Training with certain countries prohibited

The Seattle Police Department (SPD) shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the military forces of any country, or the police forces, intelligence agencies, security services, or other armed forces of any country, or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory for the purpose of training with a foreign military. SPD shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the police forces, intelligence agencies or security services of any country or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory:

A. That is not party to the International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic Social & Cultural Rights; or

B. That within the country or territory's boundaries, or within territories that the country occupies or effectively controls, exists a situation under ~~non-preliminary~~ investigation by the International Criminal Court; or an actor against which that Court has found a violation in the last ten years.

The Motion passed by the following vote:

In Favor: 5 - González, Herbold, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant

Opposed: 4 - Juarez, Lewis, Pedersen, Strauss

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 120142, Section 1, Seattle Municipal Code Section 3.28.141.B, as shown in the underlined language below:

3.28.141 Training with certain countries prohibited

The Seattle Police Department (SPD) shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the military forces of any country, or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory for the purpose of training with a foreign military. SPD shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the police forces, intelligence agencies or security services of any country or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory:

A. That is not party to the International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic Social & Cultural Rights; or

B. That within the country or territory's boundaries exists: a situation under non-preliminary investigation by the International Criminal Court; or an actor against which that Court has found a violation in the last ten years.

SPD is not prohibited from providing executive protection to City elected officials on an official trip to a country meeting either or both exclusion criteria in subsections 3.28.141.A and 3.28.141.B.

ACTION 3:

By unanimous consent, Council Rule III.A.8, relating to amendments presented to the City Council at least two hours before the meeting, was suspended to allow consideration of an amendment.

ACTION 4:

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Aly Pennucci and Ann Gorman from Council Central Staff to address the Council.

ACTION 5:

Motion was made by Councilmember Strauss and duly seconded, to further amend the proposed Amendment 2 in Action 2, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

3.28.141 Training with certain countries prohibited

The Seattle Police Department (SPD) shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the military forces of any country, or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory for the purpose of training with a foreign military. SPD shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the police forces, intelligence agencies or security services of any country or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory:-

~~A. That is not party to the International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic Social & Cultural Rights; or~~
~~B. That within the country or territory's boundaries exists a situation under non-preliminary investigation by the International Criminal Court; or an actor against which that Court has found a violation in the last ten years.~~
SPD is not prohibited from providing executive protection to City elected officials on an official trip to any country.

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In Favor: 4 - Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Strauss

Opposed: 5 - González, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Sawant

ACTION 6:

The Amendment in Action 2 was restated and unanimously passed.

ACTION 7:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant and duly seconded, to amend Council Bill 120142, Section 1, Seattle Municipal Code Section 3.28.141.A, as shown in the underlined language below:

3.28.141 Training with certain countries prohibited

The Seattle Police Department (SPD) shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the military forces of any

country, or the police forces, intelligence agencies, security services, or other armed forces of any country, or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory for the purpose of training with a foreign military. SPD shall not participate in any training programs, exchanges, or partnerships with the police forces, intelligence agencies or security services of any country or engage in travel to any foreign country or territory:

A. That is not party to the International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic Social & Cultural Rights and the International Criminal Court Statute, also known as the Rome Statute;
or

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In Favor: 3 - Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant

Opposed: 6 - González, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Pedersen, Strauss

ACTION 8:

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 120142 as amended.

The Motion failed, and the Council Bill (CB) was not passed by the following vote:

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant

Opposed: 5 - González , Juarez, Lewis, Pedersen, Strauss

TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

5. [Res 32019](#) **A RESOLUTION providing an honorary designation of Thomas St between 1st Ave N and 2nd Ave N as “Lenny Wilkens Way.”**

The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

6. [CB 120160](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; adding a new section to Chapter 21.49 of the Seattle Municipal Code to establish the Renewable Plus Program; authorizing the City Light Department to implement and execute customer participation agreements; amending Seattle Municipal Code subsection 21.49.130.B to authorize the City Light Department to execute, implement, and administer contracts for the acquisition of eligible renewable energy resources, together with any necessary or convenient transmission, integration, or ancillary services related to such renewable energy.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

7. [CB 120170](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of City Light to establish and fund an early action Skagit Habitat Enhancement Program in anticipation of new Skagit River Hydroelectric Project license conditions to implement meaningful habitat and watershed improvements in the Skagit River watershed for Endangered Species Act listed species; authorizing the execution of necessary and convenient agreements to implement the early action habitat and watershed improvements in the Skagit River watershed; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

8. [CB 120174](#) **AN ORDINANCE granting permission to the Board of Regents of the University of Washington to continue to operate and maintain an existing underground pedestrian concourse tunnel under and across 6th Avenue, north of University Street; repealing Section 8 of Ordinance 123793; and providing for acceptance of the permit and conditions.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

9. [CB 120161](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; updating water regulations to conform to current standards; making technical corrections; and amending Section 21.04.480 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

10. [CB 120175](#) **AN ORDINANCE authorizing Seattle Public Utilities to execute agreements under RCW 70A.140.040 for projects and programs that prevent water pollution using green stormwater infrastructure and other nature-based approaches.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales
Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

11. [CB 120171](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance technology implementation; authorizing approval of uses and accepting surveillance impact reports for the Seattle Fire Department’s use of Emergency Scene Cameras and Hazardous Materials Cameras.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Pedersen, Strauss, González , Herbold, Morales
Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

FINANCE AND HOUSING COMMITTEE:

12. [CB 120156](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption Program; amending Sections 5.73.010, 5.73.020, 5.73.040, 5.73.090, 5.73.100, 5.73.105, and 5.73.110 of the Seattle Municipal Code to allow extended property tax exemptions under certain conditions; to allow exemptions for up to 20 years for permanently affordable homeownership; to add reporting requirements for permanently affordable homeownership; and to make technical changes, consistent with chapter 84.14 of the Revised Code of Washington as amended.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Mosqueda, Herbold, González , Lewis, Strauss
Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

13. [Res 32017](#) **A RESOLUTION calling for research, engagement and presentation of information to the Mayor and City Council on the Multifamily Tax Exemption (MFTE) program prior to considering renewal of the program in 2023.**

The Committee recommends that City Council adopt as amended the Resolution (Res).

In Favor: 5 - Mosqueda, Herbold, González , Lewis, Strauss
Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

PUBLIC ASSETS AND NATIVE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE:

14. [CB 120163](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to City of Seattle right-of-way along the Central Waterfront; designating portions of Alaskan Way, Elliot Way, Railroad Way, and Union Street as park boulevards; repealing Ordinance 102696; authorizing the transfer of jurisdiction over portions of those right-of-way from the Seattle Department of Transportation to the Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation; and amending Appendices I and to II to Ordinance 117569 and Title 15 of the Seattle Municipal Code, and Section 11.16.125 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Juarez, Herbold, Sawant

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Pedersen

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

15. [Appt 02024](#) **Reappointment of N. Iris Friday as member, Seattle Indian Services Commission, for a term to October 31, 2022.**

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

In Favor: 4 - Juarez, Pedersen, Herbold, Sawant

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

16. [Appt 02025](#) Reappointment of Colleen Echohawk-Hayashi as member, Seattle Indian Services Commission, for a term to December 31, 2024.

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

In Favor: 4 - Juarez, Pedersen, Herbold, Sawant

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - González , Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

K. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

L. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on October 4, 2021.

M. Lorena González, Council President of the City Council

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk