



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Karen Taylor		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Renters' Commission		Position Title: Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Seattle Renters' Commission		Term of Position: * Term begin: 3/1/2025 to Term end: 2/28/2027 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: Beacon Hill	Zip Code: 98144	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Karen Taylor is a disabled renter in the Beacon Hill area, living on a fixed income from SSDI. In her 20 years as a renter, she has dealt with various issues such as lack of accessible units, having to spend 70% of her income on rent, and the constant need to find new roommates to afford a place to live in the city. She rents from a small landlord and is passionate about renter protections including renters who rent from landlords who manage only a small number of properties, and extending to subletters. She is an active member of the Transit Riders Union, fighting for progressive taxation, a living wage for all, and renter protections. She imagines a world where everyone who needs them has accessible units and can afford to live on their own if they so choose.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <u>Lydia Felty</u> <small>Lydia Felty (Jul 10, 2025 09:50 PDT)</small> Date Signed (appointed): 07/10/2025		Appointing Signatory: Lydia Felty Interim Co-Chair Seattle Renters' Commission

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

Karen Taylor – Bio

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Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125280*, *all* members subject to City Council confirmation, **2**-year terms

Appointing Authority for SRC Member Positions

- **6** City Council-appointed (Positions 1 through 6)
- **7** Mayor-appointed (Positions 7 through 12 and Position 15)
- **2** Commission-appointed (Positions 13 and 14)

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	F	4	1.	Member	Liz Fite	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council
3	F	3	2.	Member	Julissa Sanchez	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Council
6	FT	5	3.	Member	Adora Blue	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council
6	F	2	4.	Member	Kate Rubin	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Council
6	F	5	5.	Member	Sally M. Kinney	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council
6	M	4	6.	Member	Allan Francis	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Council
6	M	3	7.	Member	Sam Wolfson	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor
6	F	3	8.	Member	Lydia Felty	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Mayor
2	F	5	9.	Member	E. Mandisa Subira	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor
		2	10.	Member	Kasey Burton	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor
9	F	3	11.	Member	Angela O'Brien	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor
3	M	3	12.	Member	Daniel E. Lugo	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor
2	M	2	13.	Member	Andrew Ashiofu	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Commission
6	F	2	14.	Member	Karen Taylor	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Commission
			15.	Get Engaged Member	Agni Bhattacharya	9/1/25	8/31/26	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Male	Female	Transgender/ Non-Binary	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multi- racial
Mayor	2	3				1	1			1			1
Council	1	5	1				1		1	5			
Other	1	1				1				1			
Total	4	8	1			2	2		1	7			1

Please Note: Information in this table may not accurately reflect the number of commissioners and/or demographics on the commission due to missing information and multiple selections.

Key:

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

G List *gender*, **M= Male, **F**= Female, **T**= Transgender, **NB**= Non-Binary **O**= Other **U**= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.