

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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## Journal of the Proceedings of the Seattle City Council

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

2:00 PM

**Council Chamber, City Hall**

**600 4th Avenue**

**Seattle, WA 98104**

### **City Council**

*Sara Nelson, Council President*

*Joy Hollingsworth, Member*

*Robert Kettle, Member*

*Cathy Moore, Member*

*Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member*

*Maritza Rivera, Member*

*Rob Saka, Member*

*Mark Solomon, Member*

*Dan Strauss, Member*

*Chair Info: 206-684-8809; [Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov](mailto:Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov)*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on May 6, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

Council President Nelson presented a proclamation honoring Reverend Harriett Walden. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Council President Nelson to present the proclamation, and to allow Reverend Walden to address the Council.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Andrew Ashiofu  
Jamie Fackler  
Rachael Snell  
Marshall Bender  
Natalie Morgan  
David Kernick  
Matt Kurvink  
Micah Walley  
Elizabeth Roberts  
Gabriel Jones  
Saunatina Sanchez  
Alberto Alvarez  
Brian Puschell  
Naishin Fu  
David Haines  
Jordan Crawley  
Julia Buck  
Summer Miller  
Hali Willis  
Howard Gale  
Alex Tsimerman  
Aidan Carroll  
Kate Rubin  
Gwendolyn Hart  
Carl Nelson  
Allan Francis  
Roxy  
Rory O'Sullivan

**E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:**

[IRC 478](#)

**May 6, 2025**

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

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

**Journal:****1.     [Min 518](#)     April 29, 2025**

**The Minutes (Min) were adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):**

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**Bills:****2.     [CB 120976](#)     AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of April 21, 2025, through April 25, 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:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**Appointments:****GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

3. [Appt 03010](#) **Appointment of Silvia Gonzalez as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Nelson, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Solomon  
Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

4. [Appt 03011](#) **Appointment of Corina Yballa as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

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

**In Favor: 4 - Nelson, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Solomon  
Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

5. [Appt 03129](#) **Appointment of Ken Nsimbi as member, Community Police Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

## **H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **CITY COUNCIL:**

1. [Appt 03144](#) **Appointment of Patrice Tisdale as member, Labor Standards Advisory Commission, for a term to April 30, 2027.**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to confirm the Appointment.

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

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**Opposed: None**

### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

2. [Appt 03128](#) **Appointment of Eci Ameh, as Executive Director of the Seattle Community Police Commission.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson**

**Opposed: None**

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

**In Favor:** 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

**Opposed: None**

The Oath of Office was administered to Eci Ameh, Executive Director, by Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk, and then Ms. Ameh provided brief remarks to the Council.

### **LAND USE COMMITTEE:**

3. [CB 120949](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to land use and zoning; expanding housing options by easing barriers to the construction and use of accessory dwelling units as required by state legislation; amending Sections 22.205.010, 23.22.062, 23.24.045, 23.44.011, 23.44.014, 23.44.016, 23.44.017, 23.44.046, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, 23.45.545, 23.84A.008, 23.84A.032, 23.84A.038, 23.90.018, and 23.90.019 of the Seattle Municipal Code; repealing Sections 23.40.035 and 23.44.041 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and adding new Sections 23.42.022 and 23.53.003 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

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

In Favor: 5 - Solomon, Strauss, Moore, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 9 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

#### **I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were none.

#### **J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS**

There were none.

#### **K. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

#### **L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

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**Phillip Wood-Smith, Deputy City Clerk**

**Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on May 13, 2025.**

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**Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council**