# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

| Appointee Name: | |
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| *Jessa Gavrielle Davis* | |

| Board/Commission Name: | Position Title: |
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| *Seattle LGBTQ Commission* | *Member* |

| ☒ **Appointment** *OR* ☐ **Reappointment** | City Council Confirmation required? <br> ☒ Yes <br> ☐ No |
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| Appointing Authority: <br> ☒ City Council <br> ☐ Mayor <br> ☐ Other: *Fill in appointing authority* | Term of Position: * <br> 5/1/2023 <br> **to** <br> 4/30/2025 <br><br> ☒ *Serving remaining term of a vacant position* |
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| Residential Neighborhood: <br> *Belltown* | Zip Code: <br> *98121* | Contact Phone No.: |
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**Background:**

*Jessa Gavrielle Davis (she/her) was born and raised in Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, PA and has chosen to make her home in Seattle after establishing her career as an engineer and technology consultant. She currently works as a cybersecurity consultant for a large global consulting firm and is preparing to begin a doctoral program at the City University of Seattle. In addition to living and working across the US, she has spent several years in Eastern Europe, the Caribbean, and South Asia working to support humanitarian causes, including volunteering with non-profits, collaborating with teams at innovation labs, and most recently working as a project manager and software developer with the United Nations Office for Project Services. Jessa continues to volunteer in her local community to advocate for LGBTQ+ issues; and she also works with regional and national organizations to empower local communities in upholding and expanding civil rights and social justice for all. She currently serves as the Co-Chair of Social Media and Digital Engagement on the Seattle Human Rights Campaign Steering Committee.*

| Authorizing Signature (original signature): | Appointing Signatory: |
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| *Cathy Moore* (signature) <br><br> Date Signed (appointed): <br> **01/08/25** | *Councilmember Cathy Moore* <br><br> *Seattle City Council* |

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# Jessa Gavrielle Davis (she/her)

## Security Consulting Manager | OT SecOps | Cyber-Physical Security

### Objective

- To continue to build my career as a leader and a cybersecurity practitioner, applying my background in Cyber-Physical Systems and Operational Technology to solving DER cybersecurity risks and supporting smart grid cyber resilience strategies.

### Qualifications

- 15+ years' experience working in the oil and gas and electric utilities industries.
- Accomplished technology manager, cybersecurity consultant, and project manager; team lead, mentor, and trainer in a variety of roles and contexts.
- Specialist in cyber-physical systems (CPS), operational technology (OT) and industrial control systems (ICS), including distributed control systems (DCS), supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA), distributed energy resources (DERs), and industrial internet of things (IIoT).

### Education

- **City University of Seattle**, *September 2025 (Start date)*
  - Doctor of Information Technology, Cybersecurity
  - Research project designed to investigate and provide solutions for integrating electric vehicles (EVs) and EV charging infrastructure into smart grid environments, with a focus on supporting grid stability, cybersecurity best practices, and cyber resilience strategies.
- **Maryville University**, *May 2023 – May 2025 (Planned)*
  - Master of Science, Cybersecurity
  - Graduate Certificate, Cybersecurity Penetration Testing
  - Graduate Certificate, Cybersecurity Incident Response
- **University of California San Diego Extension**, *January 2023 – March 2024*
  - Certificate, Communications Software Development for Distributed Energy Resources
- **University of Texas at Austin**, *November 2020 – June 2021*
  - Certificate, Cybersecurity
- **Southern New Hampshire University**, *August 2014 – December 2017*
  - Bachelor of Science, Information Technology (Robotics & Artificial Intelligence)
  - President's List
  - Graduated with honors, Summa Cum Laude
- **Western Wyoming Community College**, *August 2010 – July 2012*
  - Associate of Applied Science, Electrical and Instrumentation Technology
  - President's Honor Roll
  - Questar Automation Scholarship

### Certifications

- **CompTIA:** Security+
- **International Society of Automation:** ISA/IEC 62443 Cybersecurity Fundamentals Specialist
- **Microsoft:** Azure (AZ-900); Security, Compliance, and Identity (SC-900)
- **Nozomi**: Nozomi Networks Certified Engineer (NNCE)
- **DevOps Institute:** DevOps Foundation (DOFD); DevSecOps Foundation (DSOF)
- **Blockchain Council:** Certified Blockchain Security Professional (CBSP)

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**Media, Articles, & Publications**

- [Securing OT Networks: Safeguarding Identity & Remote Access | LinkedIn](#)
- [On the Regulation of Gender, Sexuality, and Individual Liberty in Red States | by Jessa Gavrielle Davis | Medium](#)
- [Sikka: Working at the intersection of blockchain and humanitarian innovation | by Jessa Gavrielle Davis | Medium](#)

**Conferences & Speaking Engagements**

- Cal Poly Pomona Cybersecurity & Awareness Fair,
  - "Exploring Blockchain and Cybersecurity Solutions for the Internet of Energy."
- Executive Women's Forum (EWF) WA Regional event,
  - "Does AI Dream of Electric Substations? Generative AI and the Frontiers of AI Safety Principles for Critical Infrastructure Systems."
- International Society of Automation (ISA) Automation Summit and Expo,
  - "Does AI Dream of Electric Substations? Generative AI and the Frontiers of AI Safety Principles for Critical Infrastructure Systems" [Updated and expanded content].
- South Puget Sound Community College, "Bridges to Employment" Cybersecurity, Computer Science, and Software Development Career Pathways event,
  - Keynote Address
  - Discussion Panel, IT Workforce and Industry Trends

**Volunteering & Activism**

- Human Rights Campaign Seattle:
  - Steering Committee Member
  - Digital Engagement & Social Media Chair
- Accenture:
  - US Pride ERG National Events & Programming Co-Lead
  - US Pride ERG Trans+ & Gender Non-Conforming People Subgroup Steering Committee member
  - Pacific Northwest Inclusion Ambassador
- Out in West Texas:
  - Board Member
  - IT System Administrator

**Work Experience**

- **Security Consulting Manager**, *Accenture Security*
  - *Seattle, Washington, USA: October 2021 – Present*
    - OT Security Architect: Review and design security architecture, focused on containerized applications, microservices and DevSecOps best practices, perform threat modelling, and define and evaluate site acceptance testing procedures, as part of a grid modernization and DER integration initiative for a large electric utility in the US.
    - Project Manager and Assessor: Managed workflows for a NERC CIP cybersecurity vulnerability assessment at a large electric utility in the US.
    - Project Manager: Managed multiple workstreams to remediate findings of a penetration test for a large international oil and gas producer's IT network.
    - OT Security Architect: Performed security architecture assessment on a privileged access management (PAM) solution for a major refined products pipeline in the US and aligned recommended processes and procedures to TSA Security Directive Pipeline-2021-02.

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- **Senior Controls Specialist**, *Kinder Morgan*
  - *Odessa, Texas, USA: May 2019 – October 2021*
    - Provided field engineering support for OT/ICS/SCADA systems for pipeline compression facilities in Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, including new construction projects and controls upgrades on legacy systems.
    - Create, modify, and maintain PLC, RTU and HMI programs, maintain SQL databases, and configure network devices for plant DCS and SCADA systems.
    - Configure, maintain, and troubleshoot LAN network devices within DCS, including switches, routers, and cellular modems for SCADA networks.
    - Participated in PSSR and commissioning of the Gulf Coast Express and Permian Highway Pipeline projects in west Texas 2019-2021; and continued to provide on-going field support on both projects to ensure operational safety and reliability.

- **Automation Technician Supervisor**, *Keane Group*
  - *Odessa, Texas, USA: January 2019 – May 2019*
    - Managed a geographically dispersed team of field technicians, trained new employees, and supported field operations as an SME in ICS maintenance and troubleshooting.
    - Responsible for continual operational readiness of OT/ICS/SCADA systems, including end devices, user interfaces, processors, servers, and networking and telecommunications devices, for heavy duty equipment used in upstream oilfield completions operations.
    - Configure, maintain, and troubleshoot LAN network devices within DCS, including switches, routers, and VSAT for SCADA networks.

- **Blockchain Support Analyst**, *United Nations Office for Project Services*
  - *Kathmandu, Nepal: December 2017 – December 2018.*
    - Devised technical specifications, developed software, and managed blockchain integration projects to support the mission of UNOPS in South Asia and with global partners.
    - Provided consultation and project management services for technological solutions in humanitarian and disaster response fields, managed a remote team of developers, and delivered training on the application of emerging technologies such as IoT, blockchain, and data analytics.
    - Blockchain advisor and Solidity developer on Sikka project (www.sikka.me) at World Vision International Nepal.

- **Volunteer**, *Nepal Innovation Lab (World Vision International Nepal)*
  - *Kathmandu, Nepal: January 2017 – December 2017.*
    - Collaborated with innovation lab staff and volunteers to devise technical solutions to programs and initiatives under World Vision International's earthquake and disaster response programs in Nepal and South Asia.
    - Provided expertise in developing code in Java, Node, and Python for APIs, microservices and containerized applications, and developed Solidity smart contracts on the Ethereum blockchain for development, testing, and analysis of blockchain-based solutions for humanitarian relief programs and development aid projects.

- **Automation Technician Supervisor**, *Liberty Oilfield Services*
  - *Denver, Colorado, USA: January 2014 – June 2015.*
    - Managed a geographically dispersed team of field technicians, trained new employees, and supported field operations as an SME in ICS maintenance and troubleshooting.
    - Responsible for continual operational readiness of OT/ICS/SCADA systems, including end devices, user interfaces, processors, servers, and networking and telecommunications devices, for heavy duty equipment used in upstream oilfield completions operations.

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- - Configure, maintain, and troubleshoot LAN network devices within DCS, including switches, routers, and VSAT for SCADA networks.
    - Radiation Safety Officer: Devised and implemented policies and procedures for storage, transportation, and use of radioactive isotopes in compliance with state and federal regulations.

- **Automation Technician**, *Halliburton Energy Services*
  - *Hobbs, New Mexico, USA: January 2013 – January 2014.*
    - Responsible for continual operational readiness of OT/ICS/SCADA systems, including end devices, user interfaces, processors, servers, and networking and telecommunications equipment, for heavy duty equipment used in upstream oilfield completions operations.
    - Configure, maintain, and troubleshoot LAN network devices within DCS, including switches, routers, and VSAT for SCADA networks.

- **Automation Technician**, *Nabors Industries*
  - *Rock Springs, Wyoming, USA: August 2012 – January 2013.*
    - Responsible for continual operational readiness of OT/ICS/SCADA systems, including end devices, user interfaces, processors, servers, and networking and telecommunications devices, for heavy duty equipment used in upstream oilfield completions operations.
    - Configure, maintain, and troubleshoot LAN network devices within DCS, including switches, routers, and VSAT for SCADA networks.

- **SCADA Automation Technician**, *QEP Energy Company*
  - *Rock Springs, Wyoming, USA: October 2011 – August 2012.*
    - Responsible for installation, configuration, maintenance and troubleshooting of OT end devices, user interfaces, processors, and networking and telecommunications equipment on upstream oil and gas facilities, including wells, field compressors, and gas plants.
    - Played a key role in the upgrade of over 1,000 RTUs, including commissioning controls system and adding devices to SCADA network.

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# Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Commission
## January 2025

Members: Pursuant to *SMC 3.14.920, all* members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms, except the Get Engaged member who will serve a 1-year term pursuant to SMC 3.51.

- **8** City Council-appointed
- **9** Mayor-appointed

Roster:         **4** Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Commission-appointed

| *D | **G | RD | Position No. | Position Title | Name | Term Begin Date | Term End Date | Term # | Appointed By |
|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | 4 | 1. | Member | Jessa Gavrielle Davis | 5/1/23 | 4/30/25 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 2. | Member | VACANT | 5/1/23 | 4/30/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | 3 | 3. | Member | Ry Armstrong | 5/1/23 | 4/30/25 | 1 | City Council |
| | | 7 | 4. | Member | VACANT | 5/1/23 | 4/30/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | 3 | 5. | Member | Jeremy Erdman | 5/1/23 | 4/30/25 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 6. | Member | VACANT | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | | 7. | Member | Kody Allen | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 1 | Commission |
| | | 6 | 8. | Member | Steven Pray | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 2 | Mayor |
| | | 4 | 9. | Member | Maha Roy | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 10. | Member | Jason Self | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | 5 | 11. | Member | Theresa Smith | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 1 | City Council |
| | | 3 | 12. | Member | Brett Pepowski | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 2 | Mayor |
| | | 3 | 13. | Member | Landon Labosky | 11/1/24 | 10/31/26 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 14. | Member | Barry Fuentes | 11/1/24 | 10/31/26 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | 5 | 15. | Member | Christina Pizaña | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 16. | Get Engaged | Scott Beck | 9/1/24 | 8/31/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | | 17. | Member | Ashley E. Ford | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 1 | City Council |
| | | | 18. | Member | VACANT | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 1 | Mayor |
| | | | 19. | Member | Chris Curia | 11/1/23 | 10/31/25 | 1 | Commission |
| | | 3 | 20. | Member | Andrew Ashiofu | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 2 | Commission |
| | | 7 | 21. | Member | Amari Leach | 5/1/24 | 4/30/26 | 1 | Commission |

## SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

| | Men | Women | Transgender | Unknown | (1) Asian | (2) Black/ African American | (3) Hispanic/ Latino | (4) American Indian/ Alaska Native | (5) Other | (6) Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic | (7) Pacific Islander | (8) Middle Eastern | (9) Multiracial |
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| Mayor | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| Council | | | | | 1 | 3 | | | 2 | | | | |
| Comm | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Key:

- **\*D**    List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)
- **\*\*G**   List gender, M = Male, F = Female, T = Transgender, U = Unknown
- **RD**   Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

*Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.*