

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



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Tuesday, June 17, 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

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on June 17, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Strauss

Late Arrival: 3 - Hollingsworth, Saka, Solomon

C. PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember Saka joined the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Councilmember Solomon joined the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

Councilmember Solomon presented a proclamation recognizing June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth. By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to allow Councilmember Solomon to present the proclamation, and to allow Eddie Lincoln of Rainier Scholars to address the Council.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Rose Legionaires
Paul Glumaz
Alex Tsimerman
Melody McMillan
Bennett Haselton
Victoria Palmer
Danielle Duvall
Alberto Alvarez
Carter Nelson
Kate Rubin
David Haines

Councilmember Hollingsworth joined the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 484](#)

June 17, 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

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to adopt the Agenda.

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted as amended.

3. [CB 121000](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to prohibiting algorithmic rent fixing; and adding a new Chapter 7.34 to the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 4 - Moore, Rinck, Saka, Solomon

Opposed: None

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon and duly seconded to postpone Council Bill 121000 until June 24, 2025.

Councilmember Rivera announced she was disqualifying herself from voting on the motion to postpone due to a conflict of interest.

The motion carried and the Council Bill (CB) was postponed until June 24, 2025, by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Nelson, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: 2 - Hollingsworth, Moore

Disqualified: 1 - Rivera

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Journal:

1. [Min 522](#) May 27, 2025

The Minutes 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

2. [Min 523](#) June 3, 2025

The Minutes 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:

3. [CB 121004](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of June 2, 2025, through June 6, 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:

SUSTAINABILITY, CITY LIGHT, ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE:

4. [Appt 03168](#) **Appointment of Ed King as member, Seattle Arts Commission, for a term to December 31, 2025.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**
- 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**
5. [Appt 03169](#) **Appointment of Kate Nagle-Caraluzzo as member, Seattle Arts Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**
- 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**
6. [Appt 03170](#) **Reappointment of Vanessa C. Villalobos as member, Seattle Arts Commission, for a term to December 31, 2026.**
- The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**
- In Favor: 4 - Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss**
- 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. [CB 121001](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to City employment; authorizing execution of a collective bargaining agreement between The City of Seattle and the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, District Lodge 160, Local 79; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 121001.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON FAMILIES, EDUCATION, PRESCHOOL, AND PROMISE LEVY:

2. [CB 120981](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to regular property taxes; requesting that a special election be held concurrent with the November 4, 2025 general election for submission to the qualified electors of the City, a proposition to lift the limit on regular property taxes under chapter 84.55 RCW and to authorize the City to levy additional taxes for up to six years for the purpose of providing education support services designed to improve access to early learning, including childcare and preschool; academic, health, and safety supports for K-12 students; and college and career pathways for Seattle students; applying the exemption for low income seniors, disabled veterans, and others authorized by RCW 84.36.381; authorizing a creation of a designated fund; directing the application of levy proceeds; establishing eligibility requirements for partners; establishing accountability and reporting structures; requiring a forthcoming Implementation and Evaluation Plan; proposing a ballot title; authorizing the implementation of agreements for this levy lid lift which will be commonly known as the Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 8 - Rivera, Rinck, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Rivera, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120981, Section 3, as shown in the underlined and strike-through language below:

Section 3. Definitions. As used in this ordinance:

A. "Access" means ability to obtain or apply for an available service or program despite geographical, financial, structural, social, or cultural barriers.

B. "Childcare" means the ~~care and education of a child while the child's parent or guardian is in school, or at or pursuing work~~ supervision of children outside the child's home for periods of less than 24 hours a day.

C. "City" means The City of Seattle.

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ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Saka and duly seconded to amend Council Bill 120981, Section 6.A, as shown in the underlined language below:

Section 6. Education-support services. Services funded by proceeds are intended to increase access and delivery of childcare and preschool; academic, health, and safety supports for K-12 students; college and career pathways; and comprehensive support services. Levy investments shall be guided by the Statement of Policy, Priorities for Levy Funding, and Implementation Principles set out in Section 2 of this ordinance. Initially, these core strategies will be pursued through education-support services that include:

A. Early childhood. Major program elements are intended to increase access to affordable childcare and preschool for Seattle children and their families, with services that may include, but are not limited to: financial support for families, childcare and preschool operating costs, facilities grants, and financial supports for early childhood workers such as, training, coaching, education, and employment incentives, and early childhood health and development services such as home-visiting programs. Services may also include home nurse programs that offer prenatal support. Services may further include a feasibility study to explore universal citywide preschool, and a pilot program to subsidize preschool costs for working families in neighborhoods where Seattle Preschool Program slots are not available.

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The Motion carried by the following vote:

In favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Rinck, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: 4 - Rivera, Kettle, Moore, Nelson

The Council Bill (CB) was passed as amended 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

PARKS, PUBLIC UTILITIES, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:

4. [CB 120997](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to current use taxation; approving an application for current use taxation of property located at 9666 51st Avenue South under the King County Public Benefit Rating System.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Hollingsworth, Nelson, Kettle, Rivera, Strauss

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

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

5. [CB 120996](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to emergency medical services; authorizing execution, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, of an agreement with King County regarding the imposition and allocation of property tax revenues generated by a six-year, voter-approved King County-wide tax levy for emergency medical services; approving the submittal by King County of a proposition to the voters seeking authority to levy those additional taxes; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Kettle, Hollingsworth, Moore

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Nelson

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

6. [CB 120994](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance technology implementation; authorizing approval of uses and accepting the 2025 updated surveillance impact report and 2025 executive overview for the Seattle Police Department's use of Tracking Devices; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Kettle, Hollingsworth, Moore

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Nelson

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

In Favor: 8 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: 1 - Rinck

SUSTAINABILITY, CITY LIGHT, ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE:

7. [CB 120986](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the execution of an indefeasible right of use fiber sharing agreement with Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC for an effective period of up to two 15-year terms.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Rinck, Solomon, Strauss

Opposed: None

Abstain: 1 - Saka

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 3:50 p.m.

Phillip Wood-Smith, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on June 24, 2025.

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council