



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Sustainability, City Light, Arts and Culture Committee

Agenda

Friday, April 5, 2024

9:30 AM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

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Cathy Moore, Vice-Chair

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Rob Saka, Member

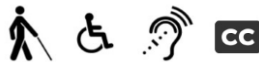
Dan Strauss, Member

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Committee Website:

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A. Call To Order

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

D. Items of Business

1. [Appt 02809](#) **Appointment of Emily Pinckney as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2025.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

2. [Appt 02810](#) **Appointment of Susan E. Balbas as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

3. [Appt 02811](#) **Appointment of Elizabeth Baskerville as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

4. [Appt 02812](#) **Appointment of Camille Gipaya as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

5. [Appt 02813](#) **Reappointment of Rachel Heaton as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

6. [Appt 02814](#) **Appointment of Nancy Huizar as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

7. [Appt 02815](#) **Appointment of Hannah Lindell-Smith as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

8. [Appt 02816](#) **Appointment of Stephanie Ung as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.**

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

9. [Appt 02817](#) Reappointment of Matt Remle as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.

Attachments: [Appointment Packet](#)

Supporting

Documents: [Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Jessyn Farrell, Director, Sara Cubillos, and Elise Rasmussen, Office of Sustainability and Environment

10. [Res 32133](#) A RESOLUTION approving the proposed budget framework of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029.

Attachments: [Att 1 – SCL SEEC FY2024-25 to FY2028-29 Budget](#)

Supporting

Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)
[Presentation \(4/5/2024\)](#)

Briefing, Discussion, and Possible Vote

Presenters: Maura Brueger, Kate Engel, Rob Smith, Mike Haynes, and Andy Strong, Seattle City Light

E. Adjournment



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The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Emily Pinckney		
Board/Commission Name: Green New Deal Oversight Board		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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 5/1/2022 to 4/30/2025 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: South Lake Union	Zip Code: 98109	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Emily Pinckney is currently the Electrification Project Manager at Climate Solutions and a Clean Energy Fellow at Sphere Solar Energy. Emily sits on the Boards of Sustainable Seattle, SphereOne, and the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. Previously, Emily was the Executive Director of 500 Women Scientists, Chief of Staff and Policy Analyst for the Build Back Black Alliance, and the Conservation Leadership Development Manager at the Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium.</i> <i>Emily is invested in the health and future of her community. She has a strong intersectional background that includes science, policy, and community engagement and organizing. She's used her skillsets and expertise to expand resources for underrepresented and underserved communities across the state on multiple occasions. She has experience creating direct pathways for community members to shape policy solutions. Emily remains devoted to environmental and climate justice and making sure that we transition to a clean energy future that results in healthier and more equitable outcomes for BIPOC communities and low-income communities.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 2/29/24		Appointing Signatory: Tanya Woo Seattle City Councilmember

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

CURRICULUM VITAE



**EMILY
PINCKNEY**
CLEAN ENERGY STRATEGIST
GREEN POLICYMAKER

CAREER SUMMARY

ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT MANAGER
BREAKING BARRIERS COLLABORATIVE, CLIMATE SOLUTIONS
JANUARY 2023 TO PRESENT

CLEAN ENERGY CAREER PATHWAY FELLOW
SPHERE SOLAR ENERGY
JUNE 2023 TO PRESENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
500 WOMEN SCIENTISTS
AUGUST 2021 TO JULY 2022

CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP DEV MANAGER
POINT DEFIANCE ZOO AND AQUARIUM AND NORTHWEST TREK
FEBRUARY 2020 TO AUGUST 2021

CHIEF OF STAFF/POLICY ANALYST
WASHINGTON BUILD BACK BLACK ALLIANCE
FEBRUARY 2019 TO AUGUST 2021

INTRODUCTION

As an underrepresented scientific, policy, and impact strategist, I have focused my efforts on promoting equity, scientific integrity, and creative innovation across all industries as well as expand resources for underserved communities on how to navigate around systemic barriers to community-based knowledge gathering and decision-making.

ACADEMIC HISTORY

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
MARINE BIOLOGY AND WILDLIFE
CONSERVATION
2015

FELLOWSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY
Louis Calder Ecological Institute
Research Fellow 2015

SMITHSONIAN TROPICAL
RESEARCH INSTITUTE
Bocas Del Toro Research Station
research fellow 2013

DUKE UNIVERSITY
Marine Laboratory undergraduate
fellowship program 2013

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
Marine Science Institute Research
Fellow 2013

SKILLS & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Innovative, flexible, and equity-focused
- People and Project Management Experience
- Experience working with a diversity of stakeholders
- Understanding of systems within industry, policy, and nonprofits
- Strong written and oral communication
- Implementation & strategy
- Advanced in Microsoft Office suite, Zoom, Google services

CONTACT

EMILY PINCKNEY

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PUBLICATIONS & PROJECTS

1. **King County Green Buildings GreenTools** grant policymaking 2023
2. *Journal of Science Policy & Governance*. **COVER MEMO: JSPG-NSPN VOLUME 18, SPECIAL ISSUE 2021**
3. *Nature*: **How academic institutions can help to close Wikipedia’s gender gap** 2021
4. Report to the Washington State Governor & Legislature: **Environmental Justice Task Force Recommendations for Prioritizing EJ in Washington State Government** 2020
5. **Environmental Justice & Reparations from Systemic Racism** 2020
6. **Removing dams on Puyallup & Snake rivers is key to salmon and orca survival** 2020
7. **Introducing & measuring green infrastructure with our eco-innovation zone project to highly polluted, highly impacted (via development, economy, and society) areas in the Port of Tacoma**
 - Advisor: Dr. Anne Taufen, University of Washington and the Port of Tacoma, 2019
8. **“Increased salinity & nutrient effects on phytoplankton in a suburban lake”**
 - Advisors: Dr. John Wehr & Steve DiLonardo, M.S., Fordham University; Louis Calder Center & New York State Department of State 2015
9. **“Chemosensation of Diopatra cuprea based on Prey Selection and Predator Avoidance”**
 - Advisor: Dr. Dan Rittschoff, Duke University Marine Laboratory 2013
10. **“Sponge Assemblage on Mangroves & Chemosensation of Hermit Crabs”**
 - Advisor: Dr. Humberto Diaz, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Bocas Del Toro Research Station 2013

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

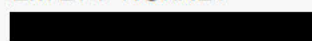
- **Board Member**, Sustainable Seattle 2023-Present
- **Board member**, SphereOne 2023-Present
- **Board Member**, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency 2023-Present
- **Board Member**, Care about Climate 2023-Present
- **Steering Committee Member**, Pierce County Community Engagement Task Force 2020-2022
- **Steering Committee Member**, Youth Environmental and Sustainability Summit (YESS) steering committee 2020-2022
- **Equity Board Member**, North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) E3 Washington 2019-2021
- **Community Engagement Co-chair and task force member**, Governor Inslee’s Environmental Justice Task Force 2019-2021
- **Interim Board Member**, Tacoma Urban League 2019
- **Member**, Environmental Professionals of Color 2018-Present
- **City Commissioner**, Sustainable Tacoma Commission 2018-2022
- **Social Media Manager and Community Outreach Manager**, Black Women’s Caucus of Washington State 2018-2021
- **National Board Member**, 500 Women Scientists 2018-2021
- **Steering Committee Member**, Orcas Loves Raingardens 2018-2020
- **President**, Tacoma Urban League Young Professionals 2018-2019
- **Steering committee member**, Environmental Education COI, Puyallup Watershed Initiative 2017-2019

AWARDS

- EMERGING WOMAN LEADER
CENTER FOR WOMEN & DEMOCRACY
2023
- DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION AWARD
ASSOCIATION OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES
2022
- SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST
2022
- SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP AWARDS POLICY FOR THE PEOPLE HONOREE
SUSTAINABLE SEATTLE (S2)
2021

CONTACT

EMILYPNCKNEY



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PRESENTATIONS & FEATURES

INTERSECTIONAL ENVIRONMENTALISM & BUSINESS
TEDXSEATTLE, 2023

DR. MLK JR HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE KEYNOTE
WHATCOM COUNTY, 2023

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & EQUITY
TALK ON THE ROCK | VASHON CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 2022

DEIA IN WILDLIFE & ZOOS
ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS, 2021

MARINE BIOLOGIST & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVOCATE
AMPERSAND LIVE: RESTORING THE LAND, 2020

**INTERSECTIONAL ENVIRONMENTALISM: THE KEY TO FIGHTING
RACISM AND CLIMATE CHANGE**
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY: HUXLEY COLLEGE OF THE ENVIRONMENT, 2021

A GATHERING FORCE
AMPERSAND LIVE: RESTORING THE LAND, 2020

MEET WOMEN IN STEAM WHO INSPIRE!
LIFEOLGY, 2020

QUOTED IN WASHINGTON POST, POLITICO, E&E NEWS

REFERENCES

**U.S. CONGRESSPERSON MARILYN
STRICKLAND**

U.S. House of Representatives District 10
Legislative assistant: [REDACTED]

**WA STATE SENATOR T'WINA
NOBLES**

WA State Senator of 28th District
[REDACTED]

PRESIDENT PAULA SARDINAS

President/CEO
WA Build Back Black Alliance
[REDACTED]

DR. JUDY TWEDT

Doctoral Candidate in climate
communication
University of Washington
[REDACTED]

NICK BAYARD

Executive Director
Birdnote
[REDACTED]

CHRISSEY COOLEY

Executive Director
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
[REDACTED]

DR. SUSAN STORME

Professor Emeritus, Molecular, Cell &
Developmental Biology
UC Santa Cruz
[REDACTED]

DR. SARAH MYRHE

Founder
Rowan Institute
[REDACTED]

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EMILY P NCKNEY
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Green New Deal Oversight Board

19 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125926*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms.

- 8 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- 3 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): Green New Deal Oversight Board

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
	U	2	1.	Member	Nancy Huizar	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Mayor
4	M	2	2.	Member	Matt Remle	5/1/23	4/30/26	2	City Council
	F	2	3.	Member	Elizabeth Baskerville	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Mayor
4	F	n/a	4.	Member (Tribal Representative)	Rachel Heaton	5/1/23	4/30/26	2	City Council
4	M	1	5.	Member (Tribal Representative)	Ken Workman	5/1/20	4/30/23	1	Mayor
	F	1	6.	Member (Age 16-25)	Hannah Lindell-Smith	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	City Council
			7.	Member (Age 16-25)	Camille Gipaya	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Mayor
	F	n/a	8.	Member	Stephanie Ung	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Board
	F	1	9.	Environmental Justice Representative	Susan E. Balbas	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Mayor
1	F	5	10.	Environmental Justice Representative	Debolina Banerjee	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
1	F	2	11.	Environmental Justice Representative	Eunice How	5/1/22	4/30/25	1	Board
1	M	7	12.	Labor Union Representative	Peter Hasegawa	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor
6	F	4	13.	Labor Union Representative	Emily Meyers	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
	F	n/a	14.	Labor Union Representative	Andrea Ornelas	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
6	M	n/a	15.	Labor Union Representative	Keith Weir	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor
6	F	6	16.	Member	Jess Wallach	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
6	F	4	17.	Member	Nina Olivier	5/1/22	4/30/25	1	Board
	F	7	18.	Member	Emily Pinckney	5/1/22	4/30/25	1	City Council
6	M	5	19.	Workforce Training Representative	Steve Gelb	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	5	2		1	2	2	1	1		2			
Council	1	7			3		1	2		2			
Other		3			1	1				1			
Total	6	12		1	6	3	2	3		5			

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.

Seattle's Green New Deal

Office of Sustainability & Environment

04/05/2024

Office of Sustainability and Environment



City of Seattle





Office of Sustainability & Environment

Mission: Ensure a clean and healthy environment for every resident of Seattle. We prioritize those currently and historically harmed by racial, economic and environmental injustice and serve as cross-departmental and community collaborators, innovators, and drivers of cutting-edge city policy.



OSE's core services:

Climate & Environmental Justice



- Environmental Justice Fund
- Climate Workforce
- Resilience Hubs
- Duwamish Valley Program
- Green New Deal Oversight Board

GHG Emissions Reductions



- Transportation Electrification
- Low Pollution Neighborhoods
- BEPS
- **Clean Heat Program**
- Municipal Energy Emissions Program

Food Policy & Programs



- Healthy School Food
- Sustainable Procurement
- **Fresh Bucks**
- Food Action Plan
- Sweetened Beverage Tax CAB

Seattle's Trees & Forests

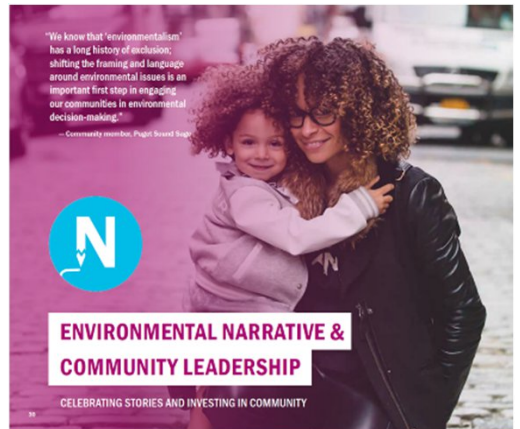


- Canopy Equity Plan
- **Tree Canopy Cover Assessment**
- \$12M USFS Grant
- Urban Forestry Commission
- Trees for Seattle

Background: Equity & Environment Agenda



A blueprint for advancing race & social justice in Seattle's environmental work

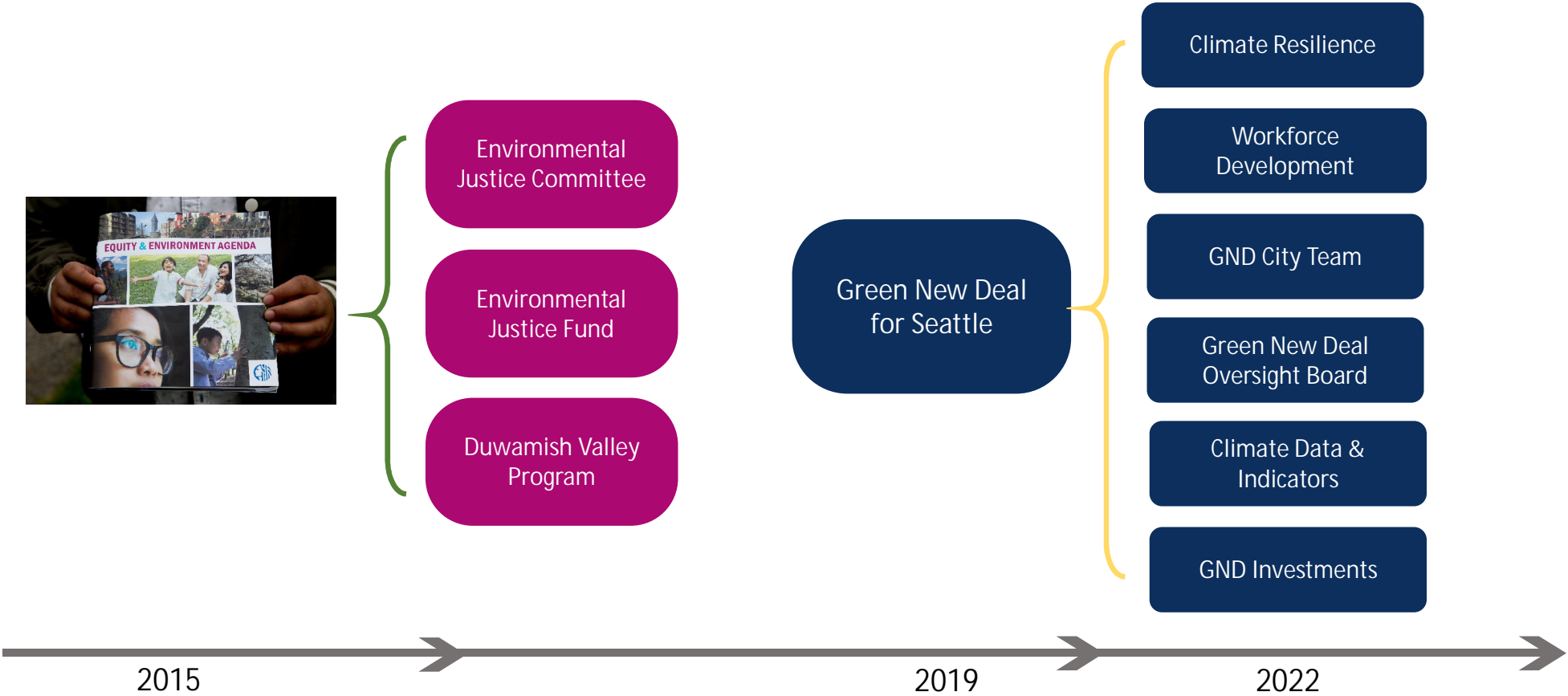


Environmental Justice Fund

Goal: Invest in climate and environmental justice solutions that are led by and with communities overburdened by the impacts of racial, economic and environmental injustice.



Growing OSE's Climate Justice Work



Seattle's Green New Deal:

- Addresses the Climate Crisis & Environmental Injustice
- Builds an Inclusive Low-Carbon Economy
- Promotes Community Health & Well-being



Green New Deal 2023 Investments Overview

Inclusive & Equitable Low Carbon Economy

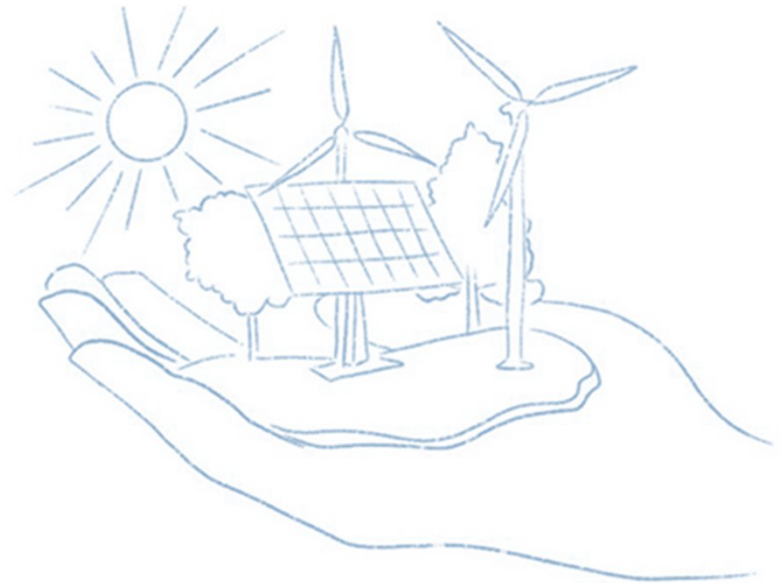
- Apprenticeships and Pre-Apprenticeships
- Duwamish Valley Youth Leadership
- Duwamish Valley Small Business Support

Just Transition From Fossil Fuels

- Oil to electric home heating conversions
- Building Emissions Performance Standards
- Rebates for Heavy Duty Electric Vehicles
- Municipal Building Electrification

Healthy, Resilient Communities

- Resilience Hubs
- Equitable Tree Canopy Study
- Environmental Justice Fund
- Indigenous Led Sustainability Projects



Green New Deal Oversight Board

- 19 Members Representing:
 - Communities overburdened by racial, environmental & economic injustice
 - Tribal members
 - Environmental justice organizations
 - Workforce development organizations & labor unions
 - Technical climate and GHG reduction specialists
 - Youth
- 3 Board appointed seats, 8 Mayoral appointed seats, 8 City Council appointed seats



GND Oversight Board Functions

- Provides guidance to support the long-term success of the GND
- Creates climate-related budget recommendations
- Engages & collaborates with overburdened communities
- Partners with City Departments to ensure the equitable implementation of the GND



Appointee Introductions

Emily Pinckney

Council Appointment: Emissions Reduction Specialist

Emily Pinckney attended Humboldt State University and Duke University and graduated with degrees in Wildlife Management and Marine Biology. Her areas of study included phycology, human impacts on marine environments, sensory physiology of marine animals, and how climate change is tightly tied to systems of subjugation and oppression.

She has worked in wildlife spaces such as Seattle Aquarium and Point Defiance zoo and aquarium. Emily Pinckney is the former executive director of 500 Women Scientists, a social justice focused science organization that supports underrepresented folks in STEM. She uses science and community organizing to make policy more equitable and inclusive. She served on Governor Inslee's Environmental Justice task Force, the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, and the WA Build Back Black Alliance. She currently sits on the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Board of Directors.



Susan Balbas

Mayoral Appointment: Environmental Justice
Organization Representative

Susan Balbas is the co-founder and executive director of Na'ah Illahee Fund (Mother Earth in the Chinook language), a Seattle-based nonprofit public fund with a mission to support cultural wellness and advance regenerative economies in Indigenous communities in the Pacific Northwest. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Teaching, focused on Economics and History. Her career has been in nonprofit and business management, and she has served on multiple boards and committees locally, nationally and internationally. Susan is active within climate, environmental and social justice movements as well as within the philanthropic sector.



Lizzie Baskerville

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Lizzy Baskerville is the co-founder of Restaurant 2 Garden, a community-based organization that promotes hyperlocal composting, food sovereignty, and the circular economy in Seattle's Chinatown International District. She has worked as an environmental and food justice advocate for over a decade and currently serves as an Environmental Justice Planner for the WA Dept of Ecology. She was born and raised in Seattle.



Camille Gipaya

Mayoral Appointment: Youth Representative

Camille is a Community Outreach Organizer at the Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle (ULMS) where she leads the organization's environmental justice policy advocacy, research and education, and community outreach work. Camille is a graduate of the University of Washington and holds a degree in cultural anthropology. Previously, Camille was the Political Committee Lead for the Filipino American Student Association and a field organizer with the Washington State Democratic Party.



Rachel Heaton

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Tribal Representative

Rachel (Muckleshoot Tribe) lives in Auburn, Washington and is also a descendant of the Duwamish Tribe, the first peoples of the area now known as Seattle.

In 2017, she, along with many other Natives and allies, helped the City of Seattle to divest the city of Seattle's \$3 billion from Wells Fargo, in part because it's funding of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

This victory prompted Rachel and Matt Remle to co-found Mazaska Talks, an Indigenous- developed tool to help other communities divest their cities and organizations from banks contributing to the desecration of Mother Earth.

She is also a Lead Culture Educator for the Muckleshoot Tribe. There she learns about traditional Indigenous plants, how to harvest them and develops ways to incorporate them into everyday foods. She shares the importance and our ancestors' teachings of these medicines to her Tribal community. Additionally, she works with youth and adults to learn to use our earth gym as a way to apply culture and healing as our bases for health and wellness.



Nancy Huizar

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Nancy was born and raised in South Seattle and holds a degree from the University of Washington's Aquatic and Fishery Sciences Department. Nancy is an environmental justice activist, facilitator, and consultant. Nancy works closely with community groups, business associations, government departments and agencies, nonprofits, coalitions of people, and community members to center their needs in environmental justice. As a consultant, Nancy centers their work around supporting communities of color, particularly Black and Indigenous communities, to move them toward truly being equitable partners in problem-solving the issues that affect where they live. They believe that everything we are doing to further environmental justice needs to address and connect to how people — particularly people of color — are impacted.



Hannah Lindell-Smith

Council Appointment: Youth Representative

As a community and political organizer, Hannah Lindell-Smith has collaborated with the Sunrise Movement, 350 Seattle, and climate and environmental justice coalitions on the local and international levels. Her work centers around building resilience, holding leaders accountable, and empowering young people and communities. Named a 2022 EarthGen Medalist for youth organizing work in her home of Southwest Seattle, Hannah is currently Coalitions Lead for the organizing team at Zero Hour. She is also a dancer and aerialist training at SANCA, and attends Summit Atlas High School.



Stephanie Ung

Board Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Stephanie is a proud diaspora child of Khmer/Filipino ancestry. She is a passionate human being, using their love for nature and life to drive her youth-focused intergenerational work as the Co-Executive Director for Khmer Community of Seattle King County (KCSKC). Stephanie enjoys dancing, laughter, and good food & good company.



Matt Remle

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Matt Remle (Hunkpapa Lakota) is the Native American Program Coordinator for Office of Native Education for the Marysville School District, the co-founder of Mazaska Talks, and is on the steering committee for Stop the Money Pipeline.

In 2014, Remle was awarded Seattle's Individual Human Rights Leader award. In 2017, he was awarded the National Indian Education Association's Educator of the Year, the Billy Frank Jr. Natural Resource Protection Award and was named one of Seattle's Most Influential People. In 2020, he was named by the Seattle Times as one of the top ten most influential people to watch for in the next decade.





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Appointee Name: <i>Susan E. Balbas</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Green New Deal Oversight Board</i>		Position Title: <i>Environmental Justice Representative</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Residential Neighborhood: <i>High Point</i>	Zip Code: <i>98126</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Susan is the Founder and Executive Director of Na’ah Illahee Fund, which is an organization focused on advancing regenerative economies in Indigenous communities through grantmaking, capacity building, leadership development and civic engagement. She sits on the Board of Directors of several organizations, including Front & Centered, the Potlach Fund, and Washington Progress Alliance. Susan has also supported numerous grantmaking efforts to connect communities to resources. Susan has devoted her career to environmental and climate justice, sustainable growth, and a just transition to a clean energy economy that promotes wealth building for people who have not traditionally had access to economic opportunities. Susan is working with partners to invest in clean technologies, clean buildings, low-emissions transportation, and renewable energy all while creating incentives for low-income people and people of color.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> Date Signed (appointed): 3/15/2024		Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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RESUME

Susan E. Balbas



Areas of Focused Expertise

Executive Nonprofit management	Philanthropy
Project/ Program development and management	Development/ Fundraising
Budgeting and financial management	
Public relations/ Partnerships and collaboration	

Education

1999 – **Master of Science** in Teaching (History and Education) – Portland State University
1992 – **Bachelor of Business Administration** (Economics) – Boise State University

Professional Work Experience

Independent Consultant (2002 - present)

Provide technical assistance, planning and capacity building to a broad mix of North American Tribes, non profit organizations and individual artists and entrepreneurs.

Founder and Executive Director, Na’ah Illahee Fund, Seattle, WA (2004 - present)

Built an Indigenous women-led public fund focused on advancing regenerative economies in Indigenous communities through grantmaking, capacity building, leadership development and civic engagement.

Training and Technical Assistance Specialist, Education Development Center, Newton, MA (2007- 2012)

Provided technical assistance, planning and capacity building for grantees of the Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice Tribal Youth Programs to North American Tribes in the areas of prevention (education & cultural programming), intervention and juvenile justice court system improvement.

Chief Development Officer, United Indians of All Tribes Foundation, Seattle, WA (2006 – 2007)

Managed all facets of urban community-based non profit serving American Indian/Alaska Natives. Developed and managed multi-year, multimillion-dollar community development initiative that included permaculture, gardening and environmental restoration projects.

Outreach Director, Western Water Alliance, Seattle, WA (2003 – 2004)

Provided environmental research, authored fundraising plan, grantwriter and editor, tribal and community environmental outreach.

Development and Donor Education Coordinator, Changemakers Foundation, San Francisco, CA (2000 - 2002)

Two-person staff and volunteer team raised over \$2.8 million, provided major donor relations and education, co-authored comprehensive fundraising and organizational development plan, networking and grantmaking to social and environmental justice organizations, events production, marketing and program development.

Executive Director, NAYA Youth and Family Center, Portland, OR (1996 – 2000)

Re-founded cultural, educational and community development non profit serving the Native community in Portland. Provided political advocacy, strategic planning, program and budget development, financial and human resource management, established networks of support and partnership, fundraising, board development.

Instructor, Graduate Research Assistant, Education Advisor, Portland State University (1990 - 1995)

Facilitated women's scholarships, coordinated arts and lectures series, created special collections library, peer mentor and advisor, Middle School retention specialist, student leader and mentor.

Sales Associate and Assistant Buyer, Nordstrom, Costa Mesa CA & Portland, OR (1983 - 1990)

Two-person team managed operations, purchasing and merchandise inventories for six store Oregon region of top sales department. Sales, customer service and inventory management.

Volunteer Contributions and other Professional Experience

Grantmaking – Served on grantmaking committees, provided advice and created policies and procedures for multiple local and federal government agencies, Potlatch Fund, Social Justice Fund Northwest, individual donors

Capital Campaigns – Portland State University Native Student and Community Center, Tulalip Tribes, Red Lodge Transition Services

Board of Directors – Potlatch Fund, Sightline Institute, Longhouse Media, Peace Development Fund, Portland-Corinto Sister City Association, Washington Community Alliance, Washington Progress Alliance, Front & Centered

Executive board, Newsletter editor – Native Arts Council, Seattle Art Museum

Host committee and event planner – National Network of Grantmakers, Women's Funding Network, Social Justice Fund NW, Circle of Life, Indigenous Women's Network, Red Eagle Soaring, International Funders for Indigenous People, Social Justice Fund NW, Potlatch Fund, University of Washington

Events production – American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) regional conference, Northwest Indigenous Film Festival, Native Foods Pavilion at Slow Food Nation Gathering, Indigenous programming at Bioneers Conference, Living Breath of wetlabaltx Indigenous Foods Symposium, Wowwickma Naxium Palouse Annual Gathering, Potlatch Fund Annual Gala

Memberships

Philanthropy Northwest
International Funders for Indigenous People
Native Americans in Philanthropy
Social Justice Fund Northwest
Committee on States

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	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	5	2		1	2	2	1	1		2			
Council	1	7			3		1	2		2			
Other		3			1	1				1			
Total	6	12		1	6	3	2	3		5			

Key:

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

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

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.

Seattle's Green New Deal

Office of Sustainability & Environment







EXPRESS Lanes DO NOT ENTER

EXIT 165
Seymour St
EXIT ONLY

Madison St
Convention Center
EXIT ONLY

James St
EXIT ONLY

Office of Sustainability & Environment

Mission: Ensure a clean and healthy environment for every resident of Seattle. We **prioritize those currently and historically harmed** by racial, economic and environmental injustice and serve as cross-departmental and community **collaborators, innovators, and drivers of cutting-edge city policy.**



OSE's core services:

Climate & Environmental Justice



- **Environmental Justice Fund**
- Climate Workforce
- Resilience Hubs
- Duwamish Valley Program
- **Green New Deal Oversight Board**

GHG Emissions Reductions



- Transportation Electrification
- Low Pollution Neighborhoods
- BEPS
- **Clean Heat Program**
- Municipal Energy Emissions Program

Food Policy & Programs



- Healthy School Food
- Sustainable Procurement
- **Fresh Bucks**
- Food Action Plan
- Sweetened Beverage Tax CAB

Seattle's Trees & Forests



- Canopy Equity Plan
- **Tree Canopy Cover Assessment**
- \$12M USFS Grant
- Urban Forestry Commission
- Trees for Seattle

Background: Equity & Environment Agenda



A blueprint for advancing race & social justice in Seattle's environmental work

"When my car broke down, I took two buses and walked uphill to get all my groceries home, perishable items from EBT. The healthy stuff is heavy. It's hard to carry on the bus. And heavy groceries with my three year old kid, it was a source of stress."
 — Community member, SoHo Ground

HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS FOR ALL

AIR, WATER, GREEN SPACE, FOOD, SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE

"We want mentorship opportunities across all levels of career (entry, mid, and senior level) set up in workplaces. We want this to be the norm and not the exception."
 — Community member, Environmental Professionals of Color

JOBS, LOCAL ECONOMIES & YOUTH PATHWAYS

OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL GREEN CAREERS

"We believe that transformative and meaningful change at a large scale needs to be led by those most affected by injustice."
 — Latino community member, South Park

EQUITY IN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

INCREASING COMMUNITY ACCESS AND DECISION-MAKING

"We know that 'environmentalism' has a long history of exclusion: shifting the framing and language around environmental issues is an important first step in engaging our communities in environmental decision-making."
 — Community member, Puget Sound Sage

ENVIRONMENTAL NARRATIVE & COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

CELEBRATING STORIES AND INVESTING IN COMMUNITY

Environmental Justice Fund

Goal: Invest in climate and environmental justice solutions that are led by and with communities overburdened by the impacts of racial, economic and environmental injustice.



Growing OSE's Climate Justice Work



- Environmental Justice Committee
- Environmental Justice Fund
- Duwamish Valley Program

Green New Deal for Seattle

- Climate Resilience
- Workforce Development
- GND City Team
- Green New Deal Oversight Board
- Climate Data & Indicators
- GND Investments



Seattle's Green New Deal:

- Addresses the Climate Crisis & Environmental Injustice
- Builds an Inclusive Low-Carbon Economy
- Promotes Community Health & Well-being



Green New Deal 2023 Investments Overview

Inclusive & Equitable Low Carbon Economy

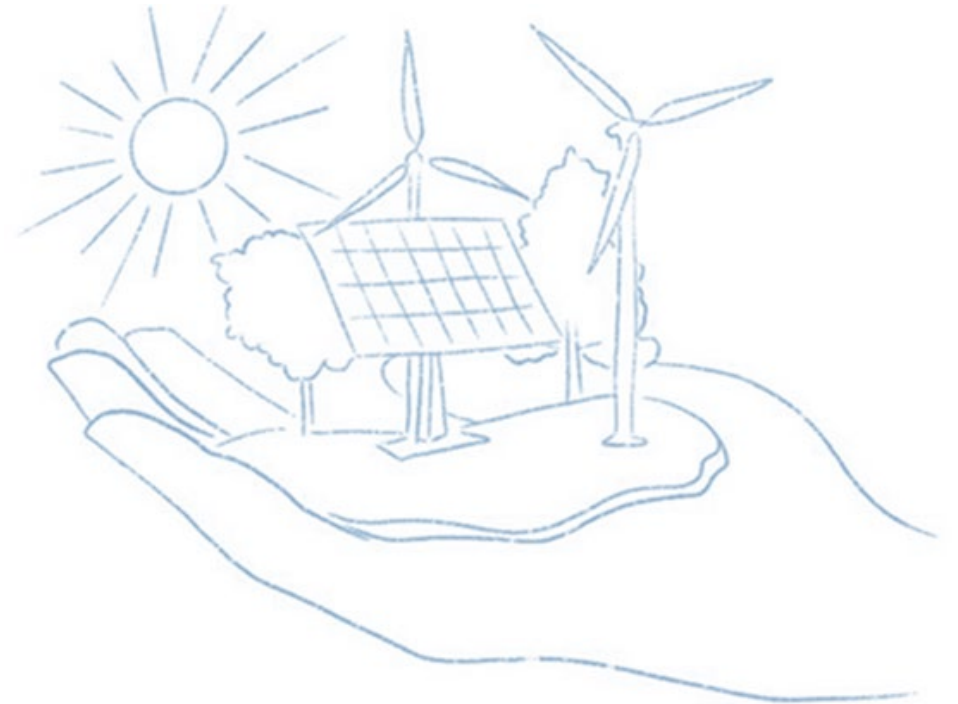
- Apprenticeships and Pre-Apprenticeships
- Duwamish Valley Youth Leadership
- Duwamish Valley Small Business Support

Just Transition From Fossil Fuels

- Oil to electric home heating conversions
- Building Emissions Performance Standards
- Rebates for Heavy Duty Electric Vehicles
- Municipal Building Electrification

Healthy, Resilient Communities

- Resilience Hubs
- Equitable Tree Canopy Study
- Environmental Justice Fund
- Indigenous Led Sustainability Projects



Green New Deal Oversight Board

- 19 Members Representing:
 - Communities overburdened by racial, environmental & economic injustice
 - Tribal members
 - Environmental justice organizations
 - Workforce development organizations & labor unions
 - Technical climate and GHG reduction specialists
 - Youth
- 3 Board appointed seats, 8 Mayoral appointed seats, 8 City Council appointed seats



GND Oversight Board Functions

- Provides guidance to support the long-term success of the GND
- Creates climate-related budget recommendations
- Engages & collaborates with overburdened communities
- Partners with City Departments to ensure the equitable implementation of the GND



Appointee Introductions



Emily Pinckney

Council Appointment: Emissions Reduction Specialist

Emily Pinckney attended Humboldt State University and Duke University and graduated with degrees in Wildlife Management and Marine Biology. Her areas of study included phycology, human impacts on marine environments, sensory physiology of marine animals, and how climate change is tightly tied to systems of subjugation and oppression.

She has worked in wildlife spaces such as Seattle Aquarium and Point Defiance zoo and aquarium. Emily Pinckney is the former executive director of 500 Women Scientists, a social justice focused science organization that supports underrepresented folks in STEM. She uses science and community organizing to make policy more equitable and inclusive. She served on Governor Inslee's Environmental Justice task Force, the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, and the WA Build Back Black Alliance. She currently sits on the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Board of Directors.



Susan Balbas

Mayoral Appointment: Environmental Justice Organization Representative

Susan Balbas is the co-founder and executive director of Na'ah Illahee Fund (*Mother Earth* in the Chinook language), a Seattle-based nonprofit public fund with a mission to support cultural wellness and advance regenerative economies in Indigenous communities in the Pacific Northwest. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Teaching, focused on Economics and History. Her career has been in nonprofit and business management, and she has served on multiple boards and committees locally, nationally and internationally. Susan is active within climate, environmental and social justice movements as well as within the philanthropic sector.



Lizzie Baskerville

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Lizzy Baskerville is the co-founder of Restaurant 2 Garden, a community-based organization that promotes hyperlocal composting, food sovereignty, and the circular economy in Seattle's Chinatown International District. She has worked as an environmental and food justice advocate for over a decade and currently serves as an Environmental Justice Planner for the WA Dept of Ecology. She was born and raised in Seattle.



Camille Gipaya

Mayoral Appointment: Youth Representative

Camille is a Community Outreach Organizer at the Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle (ULMS) where she leads the organization's environmental justice policy advocacy, research and education, and community outreach work. Camille is a graduate of the University of Washington and holds a degree in cultural anthropology. Previously, Camille was the Political Committee Lead for the Filipino American Student Association and a field organizer with the Washington State Democratic Party.



Rachel Heaton

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Tribal Representative

Rachel (Muckleshoot Tribe) lives in Auburn, Washington and is also a descendant of the Duwamish Tribe, the first peoples of the area now known as Seattle.

In 2017, she, along with many other Natives and allies, helped the City of Seattle to divest the city of Seattle's \$3 billion from Wells Fargo, in part because it's funding of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

This victory prompted Rachel and Matt Remle to co-found Mazaska Talks, an Indigenous- developed tool to help other communities divest their cities and organizations from banks contributing to the desecration of Mother Earth.

She is also a Lead Culture Educator for the Muckleshoot Tribe. There she learns about traditional Indigenous plants, how to harvest them and develops ways to incorporate them into everyday foods. She shares the importance and our ancestors' teachings of these medicines to her Tribal community. Additionally, she works with youth and adults to learn to use our earth gym as a way to apply culture and healing as our bases for health and wellness.



Nancy Huizar

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Nancy was born and raised in South Seattle and holds a degree from the University of Washington's Aquatic and Fishery Sciences Department. Nancy is an environmental justice activist, facilitator, and consultant. Nancy works closely with community groups, business associations, government departments and agencies, nonprofits, coalitions of people, and community members to center their needs in environmental justice. As a consultant, Nancy centers their work around supporting communities of color, particularly Black and Indigenous communities, to move them toward truly being equitable partners in problem-solving the issues that affect where they live. They believe that everything we are doing to further environmental justice needs to address and connect to how people — particularly people of color — are impacted.



Hannah Lindell-Smith

Council Appointment: Youth Representative

As a community and political organizer, Hannah Lindell-Smith has collaborated with the Sunrise Movement, 350 Seattle, and climate and environmental justice coalitions on the local and international levels. Her work centers around building resilience, holding leaders accountable, and empowering young people and communities. Named a 2022 EarthGen Medalist for youth organizing work in her home of Southwest Seattle, Hannah is currently Coalitions Lead for the organizing team at Zero Hour. She is also a dancer and aerialist training at SANCA, and attends Summit Atlas High School.



Stephanie Ung

Board Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Stephanie is a proud diaspora child of Khmer/Filipino ancestry. She is a passionate human being, using their love for nature and life to drive her youth-focused intergenerational work as the Co-Executive Director for Khmer Community of Seattle King County (KCSKC). Stephanie enjoys dancing, laughter, and good food & good company.



Matt Remle

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Matt Remle (Hunkpapa Lakota) is the Native American Program Coordinator for Office of Native Education for the Marysville School District, the co-founder of Mazaska Talks, and is on the steering committee for Stop the Money Pipeline.

In 2014, Remle was awarded Seattle's Individual Human Rights Leader award. In 2017, he was awarded the National Indian Education Association's Educator of the Year, the Billy Frank Jr. Natural Resource Protection Award and was named one of Seattle's Most Influential People. In 2020, he was named by the Seattle Times as one of the top ten most influential people to watch for in the next decade.





Legislation Text

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Appointment of Elizabeth Baskerville as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Elizabeth Baskerville</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Green New Deal Oversight Board</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
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Residential Neighborhood: <i>Columbia City</i>	Zip Code: <i>98118</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Lizzy Baskerville is an Environmental Justice Planner for the Washington State Department of Ecology where she works in the Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction program. She holds degrees in Landscape Architecture, Architecture Design and Health Research, and Environmental Science. Previously, Lizzy was a Landscape architect where she specialized in designing green infrastructure, affordable housing, transit centers and multi-modal transportation, and inclusive playgrounds. She is also the Co-Founder of Restaurant 2 Garden, a community composting collective in the Chinatown-International District that composts food waste from local restaurants for the gardeners at the Danny Woo Community Garden.</i> <i>Lizzy has decades of extensive experience in Seattle advocating for food security, safety, green jobs, and local economies. She's worked with young people, the elderly, small business owners, college students, artists, and activists to work toward a Seattle where everyone is equipped with sufficient financing, job training, and resources to transition to a low-carbon economy.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> Date Signed (appointed): 3/15/2024	Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>	

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ELIZABETH BASKERVILLE

WORK EXPERIENCE

- WA DEPT OF ECOLOGY; **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PLANNER**; SHORELINE, WA 2023
Coordinates environmental justice (EJ) work within the Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction program by supporting equitable service delivery, EJ strategic planning and practices, and Title VI nondiscrimination compliance.
- RESTAURANT 2 GARDEN; **CO-FOUNDER**; SEATTLE, WA 2020-PRESENT
Steering Committee Chair of a hyperlocal and decentralized community composting collective based in the Nihonmachi section of Chinatown-International District. Composts food waste from local restaurants and transforms it into nutrient rich fertilizer for the gardeners at the Danny Woo Community Garden.
- NAKANO ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS; **ASSOCIATE**; SEATTLE, WA 2021-2023
Landscape design and project management. Projects include affordable housing, green infrastructure, transit centers, inclusive playgrounds, multi-modal trails, and food banks.
- EARTHLING DESIGN LLC; **LANDSCAPE DESIGN PRINCIPAL** SEATTLE, WA 2020-2021
Consulting projects included landscape design, green infrastructure design and implementation, racial equity audits, and non-profit management. Clients included BIPOC Organic Food Bank, InterIm CDA, RainWise (Seattle Public Utilities/King County), Somali Family Safety Task Force, and individual homeowners.
- INTERIM CDA; **ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN & SUSTAINABILITY MANAGER**; SEATTLE, WA 2017-2020
Neighborhood environmental design and sustainability projects in the Chinatown-International District neighborhood including managing operations and staff of Danny Woo Community Garden, organizing community design processes, and implementing and managing green infrastructure projects.
- MORAL CHOICE; **FACILITATOR**; SEATTLE, WA 2017-2019
Anti-racism consulting organization focusing on developing organization-specific practices, protocols and processes that dismantle institutionalized oppression. Clients included City of Seattle, Lake City Future First, Artist Trust, and United Way of King County.
- EAST MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COUNCIL; **PROGRAM DIRECTOR**; DETROIT, MI 2009-2011
Director of environmental justice education programs for a grassroots organization in Detroit. Project management for design and build projects; supervision of 4 full time staff; curriculum development.

EDUCATION

- MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (MLA)** 2016
School of Natural Resources & Environment, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Master's Project title: "Water Sensitive Urban Design in Hebei Province, China"
- MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS) ARCHITECTURE DESIGN AND HEALTH RESEARCH** 2014
Taubman College of Architecture & Urban Planning, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Master's Project title: "Urbanization and Disability in Beijing, China"
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS) ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE** 2007
School of Natural Resources & Environment, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, SEATTLE** 2003

CERTIFICATIONS

ASLA SKILL PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS	2022
CITY OF SEATTLE, RAINWISE CONTRACTOR TRAINING	2020
DARE TO LEAD, BRENE BROWN LEADERSHIP TRAINING	2019
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, INTERGROUP RELATIONS FACILITATOR TRAINING	2015

LEADERSHIP & HONORS

NEXTCYCLE WASHINGTON BUSINESS ACCELERATOR COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD	2023
VICE CHAIR, INTERNATIONAL SPECIAL REVIEW DISTRICT BOARD	2021-2023
NEW ECONOMY WASHINGTON FRONTLINE COMMUNITY PROGRAM RECIPIENT	2020-2021
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, STUDENT PRESIDENT	2015-2016
SEAH-HAIAM ARTS AND SCIENCES SCHOLARSHIP	2014
WILLIAM AND MABEL JACKSON SCHOLARSHIP	2014
NANETTE R LACROSS PRIZE	2013
ENVOY DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP AWARD	2012
CENTER FOR WHOLE COMMUNITIES, FELLOW	2011
US SOCIAL FORUM & WORLD SOCIAL FORUM, SUSTAINABILITY CO-CHAIR	2010-2011
ROCKWOOD LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE, WOMEN IN RACIAL JUSTICE FELLOW	2010
DETROIT ASIAN YOUTH PROJECT, MENTOR	2009-2010
PRISON CREATIVE ARTS PROJECT, ASSOCIATE	2004-2016

SELECTED PUBLIC SPEAKING & LECTURES

WASHINGTON STATE RECYCLING ASSOCIATION; PRESENTER; YAKIMA, WA Presentation Title: 'Accelerating Equitable Circular Economies Using Innovation and Partnership'	5/21/2023
EARTHGEN; SCIENTIST PROFILE; SEATTLE, WA BIPOC Voices Educational Video Series	2/24/2023
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON; GUEST LECTURER; SEATTLE, WA Environmental Justice & Population Course ENV H 590A	5/17/2022
GRAY MAGAZINE & CITY OF LIGHT GALLERY; PANELIST; SEATTLE, WA Panel Discussion: "The Architecture of Equity"	8/21/2021
UW CHAPTER, ASLA; PANELIST; SEATTLE, WA Panel Discussion: "Just Transitions: Labor, Land, and the Green New Deal"	4/22/2021
SUSTAINABLE SEATTLE; PANELIST; SEATTLE, WA Gathering Place Discussion: Food Justice during COVID-19	7/14/2020
COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS CONFERENCE; PRESENTER; SAVANNAH GA Workshop Title: "Seeds of Change, Roots of Power; Systems Thinking and Resource Mapping"	12/10/2019
AIA SEATTLE + DESIGN SWARM; SEATTLE, WA Presentation Title: "Chinatown International District Contested Spaces: What is a City for All?"	10/17/2018
KING COUNTY WASTEWATER TREATMENT DIVISION, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE UNIT Presentation Title: "An Environmental Justice History of the Chinatown International District"	9/19/2018

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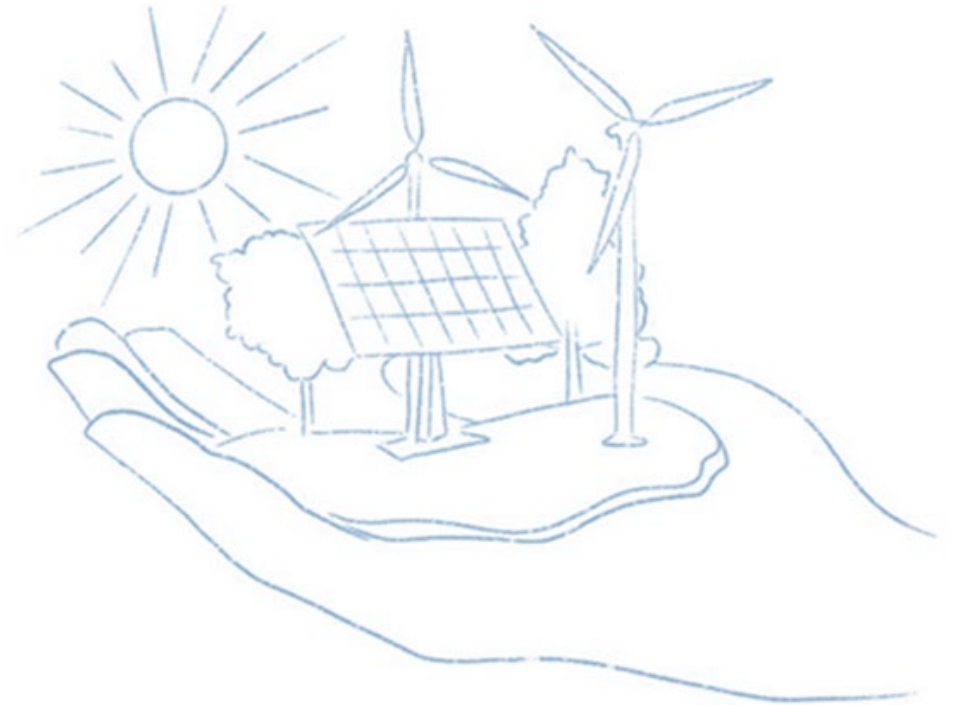
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Appointment of Camille Gipaya as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Camille Gipaya		
Board/Commission Name: Green New Deal Oversight Board		Position Title: Member, Age 16-25
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Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Term of Position: * 5/1/2023 to 4/30/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
Residential Neighborhood: Renton	Zip Code: 98057	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
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Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 3/15/2024	Appointing Signatory: Bruce A. Harrell Mayor of Seattle	

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Sociocultural Anthropology | Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

University of Washington - Seattle | *Double Major | Concentration in Asia*

EXPERIENCE

Community Outreach Organizer | Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle

Seattle, WA | March 2023 - Present

- Lead of the Environmental Justice work as one of our four policy focus (Criminal Justice Reform, Housing and Economic Justice, and Civil Rights) in policy advocacy, agency accountability, research and education, and community outreach and resources
- Empowers underserved communities by providing referral to programming and services designed to support and encourage self-sufficiency in all aspects of life
- Design educational curriculums for all ages to discuss environmental health disparity, and manage community events, community conversations, and spaces to engage the community in advocacy
- Encourage coalition building and community partnerships to create a strong network pursuing equity for all

Field Organizer | Washington State Democrats

King County, Washington | July 2022 - November 2022

- Strategically planned direct voter contact to increase voter turnout in King County, which resulted in scheduling 198 canvass shifts and 189 phonebank shifts for the election cycle
- Managed 12 Core Team Members and Neighborhood Team Lead, providing training about VoteBuilder (VAN) database and direct voter contact strategies, building a strong volunteer base for the coordinated campaign
- Developed and maintained a close relationship with the county officials, candidates, volunteers, and partner organizations to ensure a strong communication line in productively sharing relevant information

Political Chair and Political Lead | Filipino American Student Association (FASA sa UW)

Seattle, WA | University of Washington | September 2020 - June 2022

- Assembled educational curriculums about the Filipino History suitable for a hybrid platform with 65-100 members providing research tools to learn about the issues that the Filipino diaspora is experiencing worldwide
- Established a line of communication with the local grassroots and student organizations such as the Filipinx Association for Health Careers and United Students Against Sweatshops to have a comprehensive understanding of the community, and work collaboratively to ensure that our programming is relevant

RELEVANT PROJECTS AND COALITION

Farm Days | Lead Program Manager | June - Present

- Plan and manage three Farm Day events from August to October connecting the community to local community gardens such as City Soil and Yes Farm holding spaces to learn more about the Environmental Justice movement
- Coordinate with our partners which includes Nurturing Roots, Front and Centered, Black Farmers Collective, City Soil, and Clean Greens Farm & Market to provide a holistic approach in facilitating the space at the farms

Working Families Tax Credit Coalition | Field Committee Lead | July - Present

- Coordinate the Field Committee sub-group of the coalition with over 40 members statewide ensuring that the community outreach with the application and tax-filing services is efficient and suited with the geography and language resources available

Get Out The Vote (GOTV) Campaign | October - November 2022

- Efficiently organized events with candidates, including Senator Patty Murray, Dr. Kim Schrier, David Hackney, and other local leaders, to feature their platforms and engage the community in the political process
- With attendees of 50-200 volunteers and voters every other day in 3 weeks, my team coordinated a grassroots campaign through direct voter contact training, data collection, and distributed information statewide

SKILLS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Language: English, Tagalog, and Bicol

Technical: Microsoft Office Suite, Canva, Google Suite (sheets, calendar, drive, doc, meet, etc.), GeoJSON, Story Map (JS), VoteBuilder (VAN), Calendly, Slack, Zoom, Grant Writing

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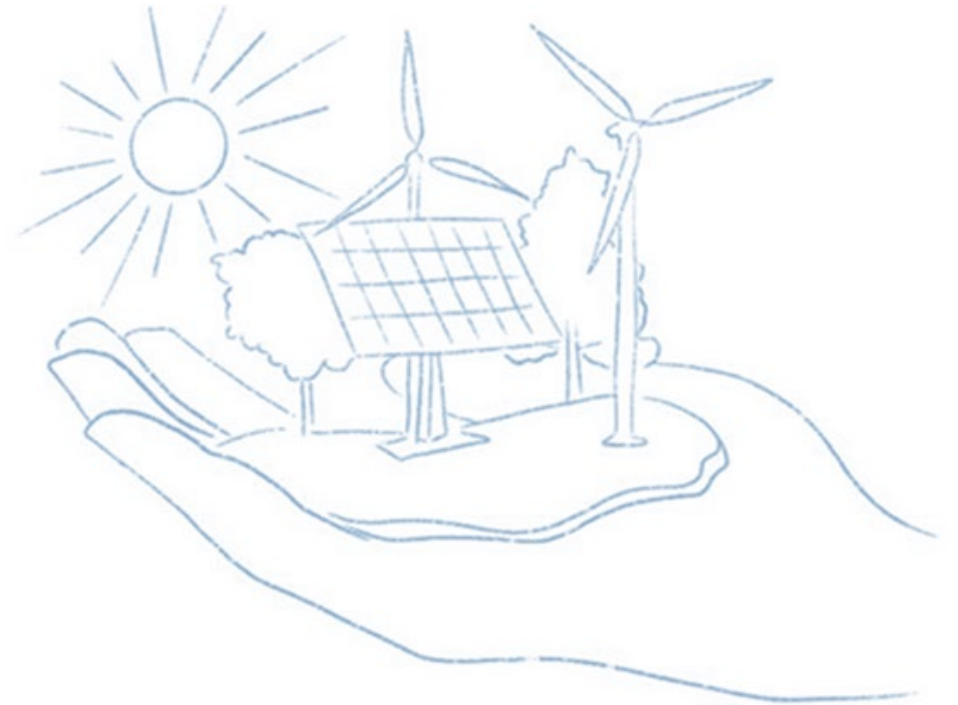
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Residential Neighborhood: <i>Pacific, WA</i>	Zip Code: <i>98047</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Rachel Heaton is an enrolled member of the Muckleshoot Tribe and a descendant of the Duwamish People. Rachel is seeking re-appointment on the Green New Deal Oversight Board. She is a cultural educator and is a co-founder of the Indigenous-led divestment organization, Mazaska Talks. She was part of the coalition that led the City of Seattle to divest from Wells Fargo and has traveled around the world to bring attention to the destruction of the climate caused by the funding and investments provided by Wall Street banks to the fossil fuel industry. She also speaks on the violations of the Native and Indigenous peoples' rights and finds ways to educate and bring awareness to those outside of her community. Rachel traveled to Standing rock to support the struggle against the Dakota Access Pipeline.</i>		
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RACHEL HEATON

SKILLS & ABILITIES

- I have a large network with tribal communities and organizations that helps assist the work I currently do. I'm a proficient user of Word, excel, Outlook, and Publisher. I'm a social, environmental justice and Indigenous rights related organizer outside of employment. I also work with others on the fundamentals of having healthy lifestyle weather it's with foods, exercise or overall health. This work has taken me to various tribal communities, youth programs and businesses like Boeing and BECU. This work has also given me the opportunity to run my own fitness gym, work with communities/organizations, and one on one with others. I work well with youth and adults... and I'm a team player. I go the extra mile to make sure I do the best job possible. I love helping my community, my people and the world at large.

Bus Aide/Health Manager, Muckleshoot Head Start

Feb 98 – May 00'

Auburn, WA

- Was in charge of tracking student healthy records, performing weekly head checks on children, provided transportation for families and was in charge of referrals to outside agencies. I also participated in IDS meetings, home visits, and was head of the Health Services Advisory Committee.

Community Liaison, Muckleshoot Even Start Program

May 00' – August 00'

Auburn, WA

- Did daily home visits with program participants, Assisted Director in developing interactive and creative curriculum. Help set up and arrange workshops and summer program for children's Literacy Program. In charge of programs filing and maintaining documents and memos.

MOST Program Assistant, Muckleshoot MOST Program

Aug 00' – April 04'

Auburn, WA

- Helped assist program with the grant process, was in charge of writing up performance reports and assisting with student class needs. Taught some computer courses, helped with recruitment. I was in charge of the communication that took place between tribal and outside programs and attended necessary trainings. Maintained student database and also helped students fill out and obtain financial aid.

Executive Assistant III, Muckleshoot Department of Education

April 04' – Oct 17'

Auburn, WA

- Help assist the ATOM of Education with needs necessary to help run the MIT Dept. of Education and it's over 400 employees. In my time in this position I was extremely committed to my work and would work any hours needed to get the job done. Organized and coordinated several events over the years. Everything from grand openings, summer camps, coordinating presenters from all over the world and program to program meetings. Helped with department reorganizations, policy development and organized staff meetings and any other meetings that came with this work. Was the main focal point of communication between staff and the ATOM of Education (Now the Tribal Education Officer). I traveled to any required trainings and meetings needed.

Covered various programs in the Dept of Education in the absence of directors and managers. This job gave me the opportunity to work with the youth as well as the staff in my community.

Fitness Trainer, Owner, All My Relations Fitness

Sept 14' – March 17'

Auburn, WA

- Helped assist people with achieving their fitness needs and wants. Taught youth classes at different tribes and held various Wellness programs with Puyallup Tribe. Taught Food prep classes and also did 1 on 1 training with clients.

Muckleshoot Tribe Culture Aid

Feb 19' –

Auburn, WA

- Currently work side by side with Master Weaver on learning the ins and outs of harvesting, processing and weaving various projects from cedar. I'm also learning the various Salish weaving techniques with wool and other materials. Attend various meetings and events with the MIT canoe family and other culturally related meetings. Help collect medicines and plants for the Culture Program and the various programs within MIT. I help assist the canoe family with various wellness needs, understanding the place our foods and medicine hold for health and cultural reasons. Attend and travel to various cultural related events weaving, canoe, curriculum assisting (STI), and culturally related health and wellness.

EDUCATION

- Bates Technical College- Tacoma, WA - Associates of Science (Focus- Business and Marketing Management).
- Clover Park Technical College- Tacoma, WA- Office Assistant Program Certificate I, II, III
- Muckleshoot Tribal College- Auburn, WA- CPS and Child Abuse/Neglect Certificate
- Evergreen State College- Olympia, WA (2 quarters from completing BA)

COMMUNICATION

- In the past work I've done and as a current organizer it is imperative that I have great communication skills. I am a team player and can take on leadership roles as well, and do often. I'm also a good student, which requires me to listen well to others. I work with people all over the world, people from various tribal communities, and also those involved in the culture and activism work I do. A lot of times I am the voice for those that can't speak. I also speak at various events, forums and social platforms about social justice issues, environmental issues and indigenous rights. I've also had publications in Last Real Indians, The Medium, and other publications in Europe. I have spoken on several podcast publications as well (Break Dances with Wolves, In the Wild, Moms for Clean Air Force to name a few)

LEADERSHIP

- I am a natural leader and hopefully live my life by being an example to my children and the upcoming youth leaders and generations to come.

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 — Latino community member, South Park

EQUITY IN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

INCREASING COMMUNITY ACCESS AND DECISION-MAKING

"We know that 'environmentalism' has a long history of exclusion: shifting the framing and language around environmental issues is an important first step in engaging our communities in environmental decision-making."
 — Community member, Puget Sound Sage

ENVIRONMENTAL NARRATIVE & COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

CELEBRATING STORIES AND INVESTING IN COMMUNITY

Environmental Justice Fund

Goal: Invest in climate and environmental justice solutions that are led by and with communities overburdened by the impacts of racial, economic and environmental injustice.



Growing OSE's Climate Justice Work



- Environmental Justice Committee
- Environmental Justice Fund
- Duwamish Valley Program

Green New Deal for Seattle

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- Workforce Development
- GND City Team
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- Climate Data & Indicators
- GND Investments



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- Builds an Inclusive Low-Carbon Economy
- Promotes Community Health & Well-being



Green New Deal 2023 Investments Overview

Inclusive & Equitable Low Carbon Economy

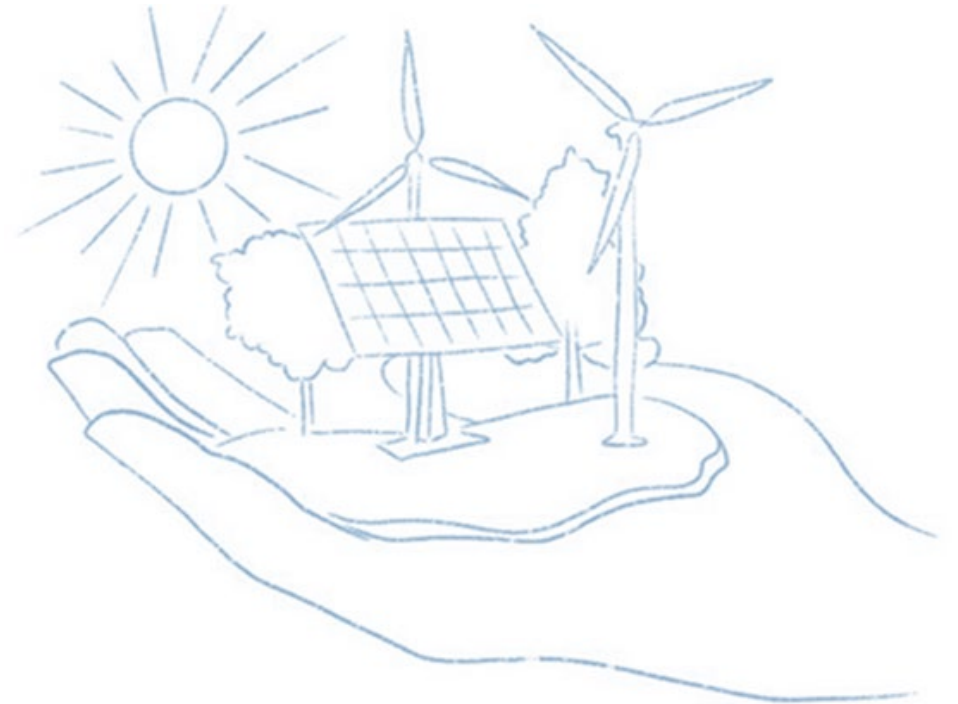
- Apprenticeships and Pre-Apprenticeships
- Duwamish Valley Youth Leadership
- Duwamish Valley Small Business Support

Just Transition From Fossil Fuels

- Oil to electric home heating conversions
- Building Emissions Performance Standards
- Rebates for Heavy Duty Electric Vehicles
- Municipal Building Electrification

Healthy, Resilient Communities

- Resilience Hubs
- Equitable Tree Canopy Study
- Environmental Justice Fund
- Indigenous Led Sustainability Projects



Green New Deal Oversight Board

- 19 Members Representing:
 - Communities overburdened by racial, environmental & economic injustice
 - Tribal members
 - Environmental justice organizations
 - Workforce development organizations & labor unions
 - Technical climate and GHG reduction specialists
 - Youth
- 3 Board appointed seats, 8 Mayoral appointed seats, 8 City Council appointed seats



GND Oversight Board Functions

- Provides guidance to support the long-term success of the GND
- Creates climate-related budget recommendations
- Engages & collaborates with overburdened communities
- Partners with City Departments to ensure the equitable implementation of the GND



Appointee Introductions



Emily Pinckney

Council Appointment: Emissions Reduction Specialist

Emily Pinckney attended Humboldt State University and Duke University and graduated with degrees in Wildlife Management and Marine Biology. Her areas of study included phycology, human impacts on marine environments, sensory physiology of marine animals, and how climate change is tightly tied to systems of subjugation and oppression.

She has worked in wildlife spaces such as Seattle Aquarium and Point Defiance zoo and aquarium. Emily Pinckney is the former executive director of 500 Women Scientists, a social justice focused science organization that supports underrepresented folks in STEM. She uses science and community organizing to make policy more equitable and inclusive. She served on Governor Inslee's Environmental Justice task Force, the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, and the WA Build Back Black Alliance. She currently sits on the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Board of Directors.



Susan Balbas

Mayoral Appointment: Environmental Justice Organization Representative

Susan Balbas is the co-founder and executive director of Na'ah Illahee Fund (*Mother Earth* in the Chinook language), a Seattle-based nonprofit public fund with a mission to support cultural wellness and advance regenerative economies in Indigenous communities in the Pacific Northwest. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Teaching, focused on Economics and History. Her career has been in nonprofit and business management, and she has served on multiple boards and committees locally, nationally and internationally. Susan is active within climate, environmental and social justice movements as well as within the philanthropic sector.



Lizzie Baskerville

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Lizzy Baskerville is the co-founder of Restaurant 2 Garden, a community-based organization that promotes hyperlocal composting, food sovereignty, and the circular economy in Seattle's Chinatown International District. She has worked as an environmental and food justice advocate for over a decade and currently serves as an Environmental Justice Planner for the WA Dept of Ecology. She was born and raised in Seattle.



Camille Gipaya

Mayoral Appointment: Youth Representative

Camille is a Community Outreach Organizer at the Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle (ULMS) where she leads the organization's environmental justice policy advocacy, research and education, and community outreach work. Camille is a graduate of the University of Washington and holds a degree in cultural anthropology. Previously, Camille was the Political Committee Lead for the Filipino American Student Association and a field organizer with the Washington State Democratic Party.



Rachel Heaton

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Tribal Representative

Rachel (Muckleshoot Tribe) lives in Auburn, Washington and is also a descendant of the Duwamish Tribe, the first peoples of the area now known as Seattle.

In 2017, she, along with many other Natives and allies, helped the City of Seattle to divest the city of Seattle's \$3 billion from Wells Fargo, in part because it's funding of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

This victory prompted Rachel and Matt Remle to co-found Mazaska Talks, an Indigenous- developed tool to help other communities divest their cities and organizations from banks contributing to the desecration of Mother Earth.

She is also a Lead Culture Educator for the Muckleshoot Tribe. There she learns about traditional Indigenous plants, how to harvest them and develops ways to incorporate them into everyday foods. She shares the importance and our ancestors' teachings of these medicines to her Tribal community. Additionally, she works with youth and adults to learn to use our earth gym as a way to apply culture and healing as our bases for health and wellness.



Nancy Huizar

Mayoral Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Nancy was born and raised in South Seattle and holds a degree from the University of Washington's Aquatic and Fishery Sciences Department. Nancy is an environmental justice activist, facilitator, and consultant. Nancy works closely with community groups, business associations, government departments and agencies, nonprofits, coalitions of people, and community members to center their needs in environmental justice. As a consultant, Nancy centers their work around supporting communities of color, particularly Black and Indigenous communities, to move them toward truly being equitable partners in problem-solving the issues that affect where they live. They believe that everything we are doing to further environmental justice needs to address and connect to how people — particularly people of color — are impacted.



Hannah Lindell-Smith

Council Appointment: Youth Representative

As a community and political organizer, Hannah Lindell-Smith has collaborated with the Sunrise Movement, 350 Seattle, and climate and environmental justice coalitions on the local and international levels. Her work centers around building resilience, holding leaders accountable, and empowering young people and communities. Named a 2022 EarthGen Medalist for youth organizing work in her home of Southwest Seattle, Hannah is currently Coalitions Lead for the organizing team at Zero Hour. She is also a dancer and aerialist training at SANCA, and attends Summit Atlas High School.



Stephanie Ung

Board Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Stephanie is a proud diaspora child of Khmer/Filipino ancestry. She is a passionate human being, using their love for nature and life to drive her youth-focused intergenerational work as the Co-Executive Director for Khmer Community of Seattle King County (KCSKC). Stephanie enjoys dancing, laughter, and good food & good company.



Matt Remle

(Seeking Re-Appointment)

Council Appointment: Frontline Community Representative

Matt Remle (Hunkpapa Lakota) is the Native American Program Coordinator for Office of Native Education for the Marysville School District, the co-founder of Mazaska Talks, and is on the steering committee for Stop the Money Pipeline.

In 2014, Remle was awarded Seattle's Individual Human Rights Leader award. In 2017, he was awarded the National Indian Education Association's Educator of the Year, the Billy Frank Jr. Natural Resource Protection Award and was named one of Seattle's Most Influential People. In 2020, he was named by the Seattle Times as one of the top ten most influential people to watch for in the next decade.





Legislation Text

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Appointment of Nancy Huizar as member, Green New Deal Oversight Board, for a term to April 30, 2026.

The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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NH CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

- Lead the strategic planning, development and implementation of community-driven climate resilience strategies and programs for government and nonprofit clients
- Oversee all aspects of program development, launch and management
- Conduct community outreach and engagement activities to advance environmental justice for government and nonprofit programs and projects
- Prepare and deliver clear and concise reports and other deliverables to clients, community groups, and other stakeholders
- Proactively cultivate new client relationships in the environmental justice sector

NH CONSULTING HIGHLIGHTS

Organizational Development - *Community Land Conservancy*

SEPTEMBER 2021 - PRESENT

- Co-developing organizational structure for start up non-profit
- Facilitating staff meetings and retreats to identify program targets and goals
- Developing communications and media strategies

Shape our Water - *Seattle Public Utilities*

SEPTEMBER 2020 - JULY 2021

- Co-developed engagement strategy with SPU staff and design team to host three fireside workshops and a convening where we collected priorities for SPU investments
- Facilitated a focus group of diverse stakeholders to create a vision for an accessible Seattle in the next 50 years

Strategic Climate Action Plan - *King County*

DECEMBER 2018 - MARCH 2020

- Collaborated with King County staff to develop the Sustainable & Resilient Frontline Communities section of the KC SCAP
- Facilitated Task Force member meetings to identify priorities and action items

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Climate Justice Organizer - *Got Green*

JUNE 2019 - JULY 2021

- Developed relationships with diverse stakeholders to advocate and win the Green New Deal Resolution and GND Oversight Board Ordinance.
- Interviewed community members to discuss emergency justice and the city's current emergency plan and hub structure.

Program Manager - *Sustainable Seattle*

APRIL 2017 - APRIL 2019

- Organized Climate Justice Summit with 300 stakeholders to examine potential impacts and solutions to climate disasters and emergencies.
- Co-created planning, budgeting, event coordination, staffing, and development for community projects addressing climate adaptation such as de-pave initiatives, sustainability incubator hubs, and green business support.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

King County Conservation Futures Tax Advisory Board - *Member*

AUGUST 2021 - PRESENT

Duwamish River Community Coalition Board - *Member and Secretary*

AUGUST 2018 - DECEMBER 2020

Environmental Justice Committee - *Member and Co-chair*

JANUARY 2017- DECEMBER 2020

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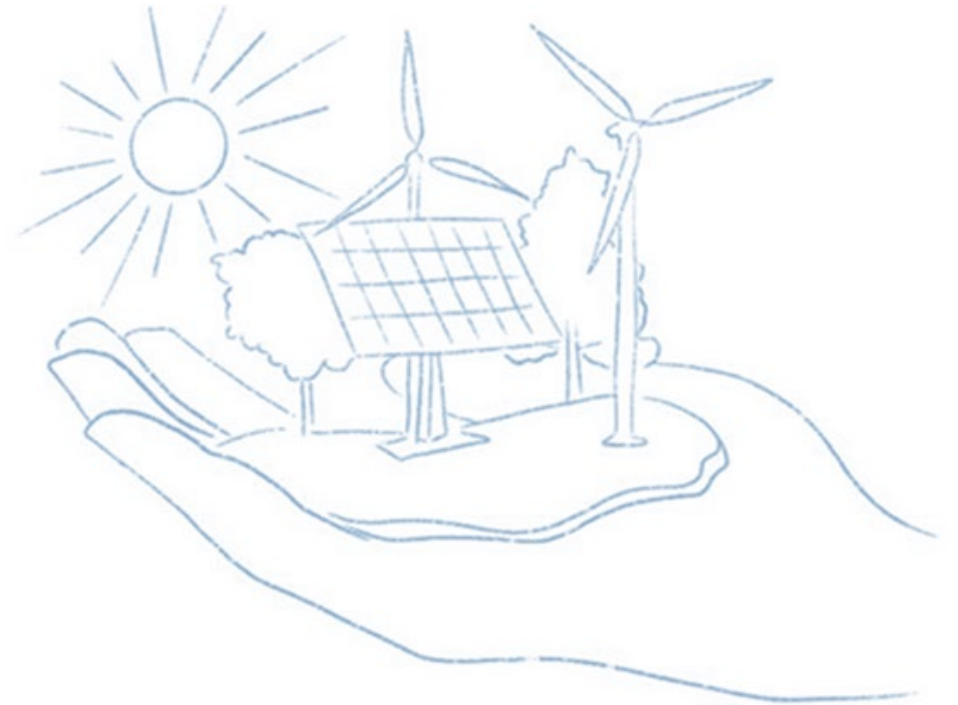
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Legislation Text

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The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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Board/Commission Name: Green New Deal Oversight Board		Position Title: Member, Age 16-25
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Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 5/1/2023 to 4/30/2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
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Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 2129124		Appointing Signatory: Tanya Woo Seattle City Councilmember

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HANNAH LINDELL-SMITH



PROFILE

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EDUCATION

SECONDARY SCHOOL

Summit Atlas High School
2020-present, class of 2024
GPA of 4.0

SKILLS

- Leadership
- Creative Writing
- Project Management/Coordination
- Communication/Collaboration
- Computer Proficiency
- Media Skills
- Coaching/Instructing

EXPERIENCE

STUDENT COORDINATOR

The Sunrise Movement
2020 - 2021

- Organized students around Seattle and Washington
- Worked with coordinators around the US through movement networks
- Planned actions, protests, and other events
- Engaged in disagreement and conflict resolution conversations

COMMUNITY & POLITICAL ORGANIZER

350 Seattle
2021-Present

- Organized campaign strategies
- Met with legislators
- Worked on coalition-building with other organizations

NATIONAL ORGANIZER

Zero Hour
2022-Present

- Organized trainings and workshops
- Participated in national and international coalition spaces

AERIALIST & CAMP COACH

SANCA
2023-Present

- Choreographed and performed dance and aerial pieces
- Attended classes and trained independently
- Coached and assisted with school break camps for elementary school students

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4	F	n/a	4.	Member (Tribal Representative)	Rachel Heaton	5/1/23	4/30/26	2	City Council
4	M	1	5.	Member (Tribal Representative)	Ken Workman	5/1/20	4/30/23	1	Mayor
	F	1	6.	Member (Age 16-25)	Hannah Lindell-Smith	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	City Council
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	F	n/a	8.	Member	Stephanie Ung	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Board
	F	1	9.	Environmental Justice Representative	Susan E. Balbas	5/1/23	4/30/26	1	Mayor
1	F	5	10.	Environmental Justice Representative	Debolina Banerjee	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
1	F	2	11.	Environmental Justice Representative	Eunice How	5/1/22	4/30/25	1	Board
1	M	7	12.	Labor Union Representative	Peter Hasegawa	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor
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	F	n/a	14.	Labor Union Representative	Andrea Ornelas	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
6	M	n/a	15.	Labor Union Representative	Keith Weir	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor
6	F	6	16.	Member	Jess Wallach	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	City Council
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	F	7	18.	Member	Emily Pinckney	5/1/22	4/30/25	1	City Council
6	M	5	19.	Workforce Training Representative	Steve Gelb	5/1/22	4/30/25	2	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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Mayor	5	2		1	2	2	1	1		2			
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Madison St
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- Sweetened Beverage Tax CAB

Seattle's Trees & Forests



- Canopy Equity Plan
- **Tree Canopy Cover Assessment**
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- Trees for Seattle

Background: Equity & Environment Agenda



A blueprint for advancing race & social justice in Seattle's environmental work

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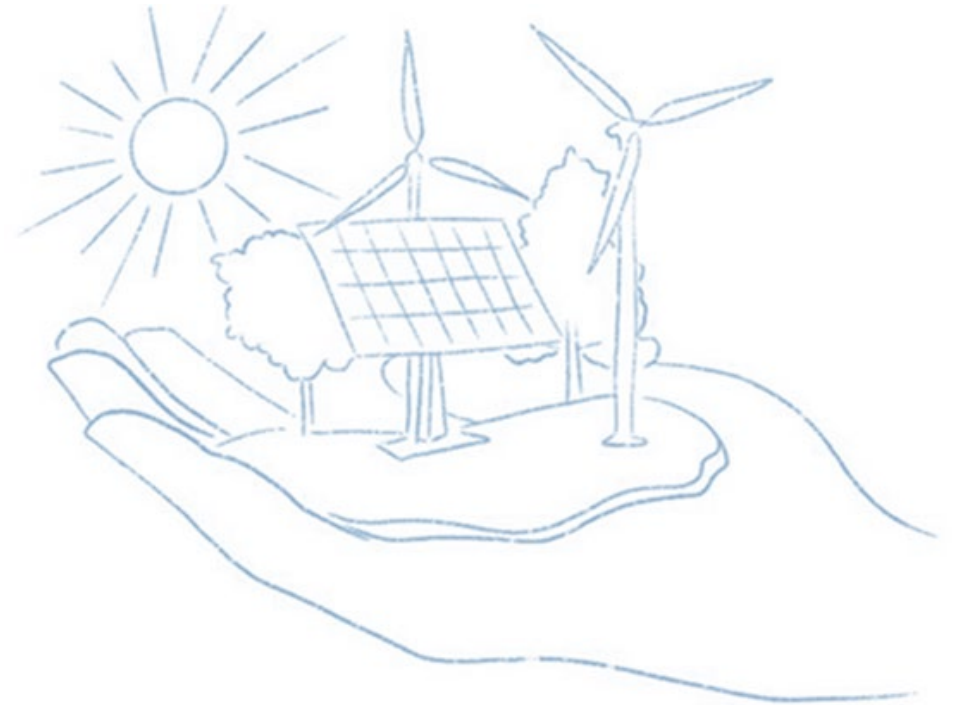
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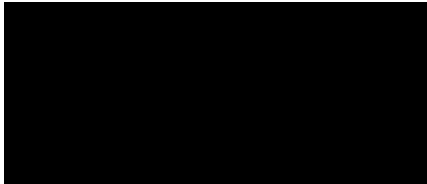
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Authorizing Signature (original signature): Date Signed (appointed): March 6, 2024	Appointing Signatory: <i>Peter Hasegawa</i> <i>Co-Chair, Green New Deal Oversight Board</i>	

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Objective

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Education

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Seattle, WA
M.A.Ed, Urban Environmental
Education, September 2016

University of Washington
Seattle, WA
B.A., Environmental Studies
December 2014

Key Skills

Public Speaking
Writing and Communications
Youth Development
Facilitation
Event and Program Planning

Experience

September 2021 - present

Co-Executive Director • Khmer Community of Seattle King County

- Direct and manage a staff of 12 to serve Khmer families, elders, and youth in Seattle & South King County
- Develop and implement intergenerational and arts/cultural programming
- King County Equitable Development Initiative Community Planning Workgroup Member; Public Health Community Navigator
- Manage a budget growth from \$6,000 to \$750,000 in 3.5 years

June 2019 – September 2021

Program Manager • University of Washington GEAR UP Achievers

- Developed UW GEAR UP Tutor Pipeline
- Trained and recruited college-age tutors in AVID Tutorial and other relevant tutoring strategies
- Manage communications across several school districts and University of Washington

March 2017 – June 2019

Naturalist • Seattle Parks & Recreation

- Developed and implemented community programs
- Organized an Annual Khmer Community Potluck
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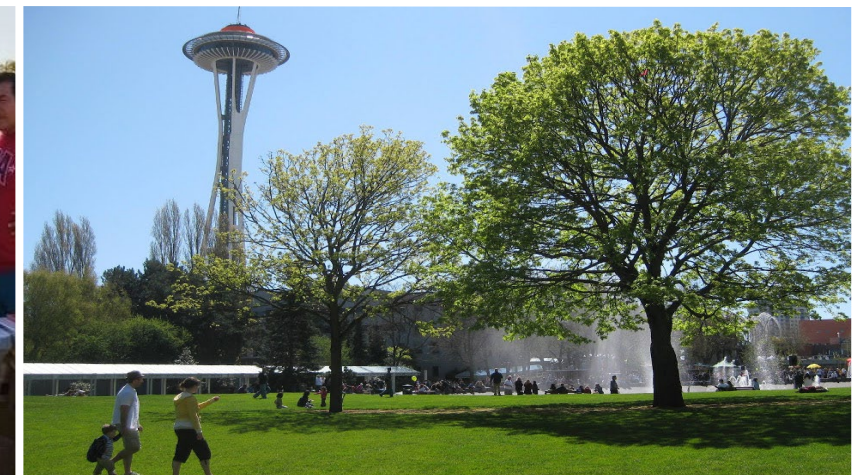
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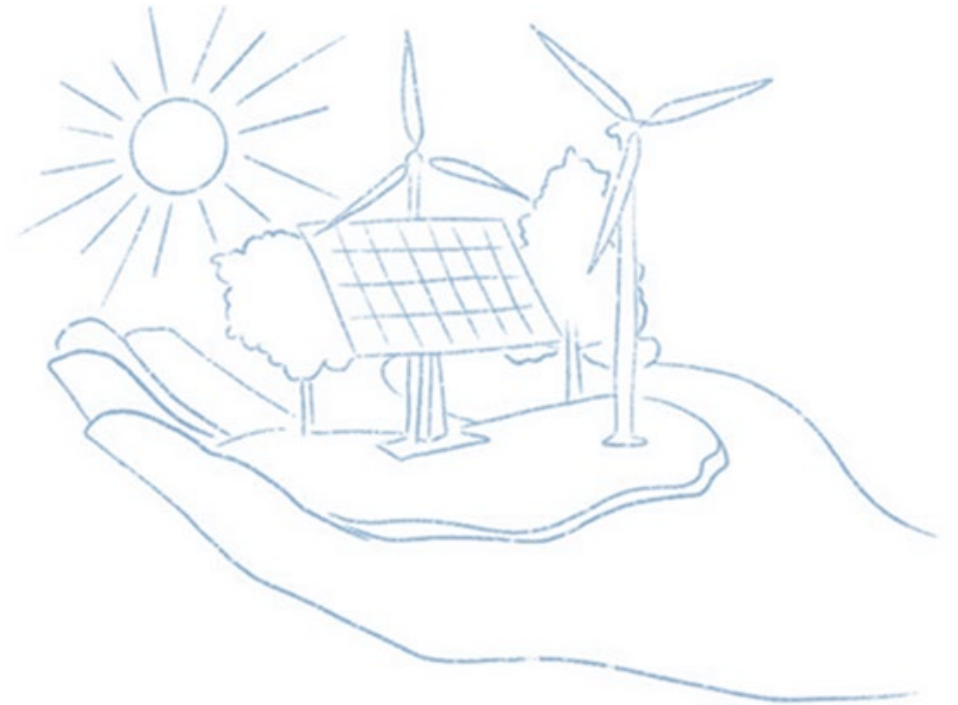
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The Appointment Packet is provided as an attachment.



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

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<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 5/1/2023 to 4/30/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: New Holly	Zip Code: 98108	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <p>Matt Remle is Hunkpapa Lakota and lives in Beacon Hill's New Holly neighborhood. He is seeking re-appointment and has served on the Green New Deal Oversight Board as a representative of communities impacted by environmental, economic and racial inequities for one term. Matt is the co-founder of Mazaska Talks, an organization dedicated to divestment/re-investment, protecting treaty rights, and environmental justice.</p> <p>Matt has over 20 years' experience in organizing for environmental and economic justice and Tribal sovereignty. Since 2014, he has worked closely with the City government to craft, organize and pass resolutions, ordinances, and other grassroots efforts including, but not limited to: the Indigenous People's Day resolution, Seattle's socially responsible banking ordinance, resolutions opposing the Dakota Access pipeline and Keystone XL pipelines, Seattle's Green New Deal resolution and ordinance, and the King County Council's moratorium on new fossil fuel infrastructure.</p> <p>Matt served on the Green New Deal Advisory Committee which crafted the Green New Deal legislation. The committee was comprised of impacted community members, labor representatives, and environmental organizations.</p>		
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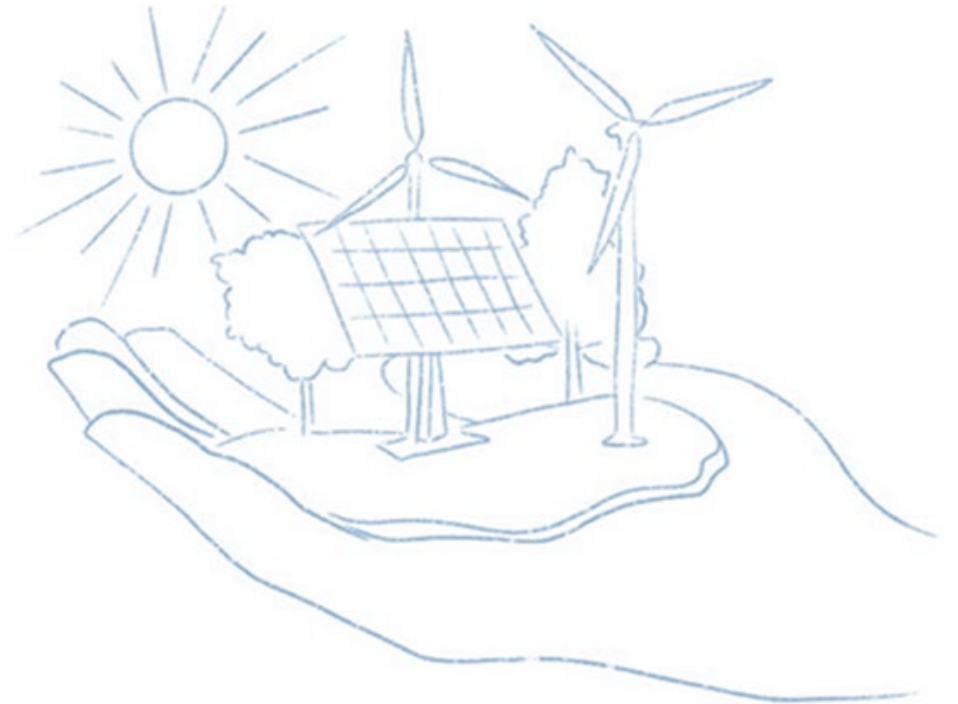
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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION approving the proposed budget framework of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029.

WHEREAS, on March 30, 1984, The City of Seattle and the Province of British Columbia signed an agreement settling their long-standing dispute over the proposed construction of the High Ross Dam; and

WHEREAS, Appendix D to that agreement provided for the establishment of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission (SEEC) to administer the Skagit Environmental Endowment Fund established by The City of Seattle and the Province of British Columbia; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, SEEC was duly constituted with four members appointed by the Mayor of Seattle and four members appointed by the Premier of British Columbia; and

WHEREAS, Article II of Appendix D established that the annual budget of SEEC shall be subject to review and approval by The City of Seattle and the Province of British Columbia; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 31568 established a five-year budget review and approval process through resolution on the basis of SEEC's five-year budget framework and strategic plan period; and

WHEREAS, SEEC has agreed upon its budget framework for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029; and

WHEREAS, the budget framework of SEEC for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029 has been duly reviewed by City Council and the Mayor; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR

CONCURRING, THAT:

Section 1. The budget framework for the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission (SEEC) for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029 (April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2029), as set forth in Attachment 1 to this resolution, is approved by The City of Seattle.

Section 2. Budgeted expenditures in any given year's SEEC budget may be carried forward into subsequent fiscal years. The SEEC budget framework may be resubmitted to City Council if the cumulative amounts for projects and administrative expenditures are expected to be exceeded within the SEEC five-year budget framework.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2024, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2024.

President _____ of the City Council

The Mayor concurred the _____ day of _____, 2024.

Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - SEEC Budget Framework Canada FY2024-2025 to FY2028-2029

Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission Budget Framework Canada FY2024-25 to FY2028-29*

For the period April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2029

(All amounts in U.S. Dollars)

SUMMARY – TOTAL FIVE-YEAR BUDGET

I. ADMINISTRATION and FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT		\$735,059
II. PROGRAM EXPENDITURES		\$2,587,911
A. Communications / Outreach	\$204,433	
B. Ecosystem Science	\$557,454	
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D. Indigenous	\$608,816	
E. Recreation	\$291,528	
F. Watershed Integrity	\$107,443	
	TOTAL BUDGET	\$3,322,970

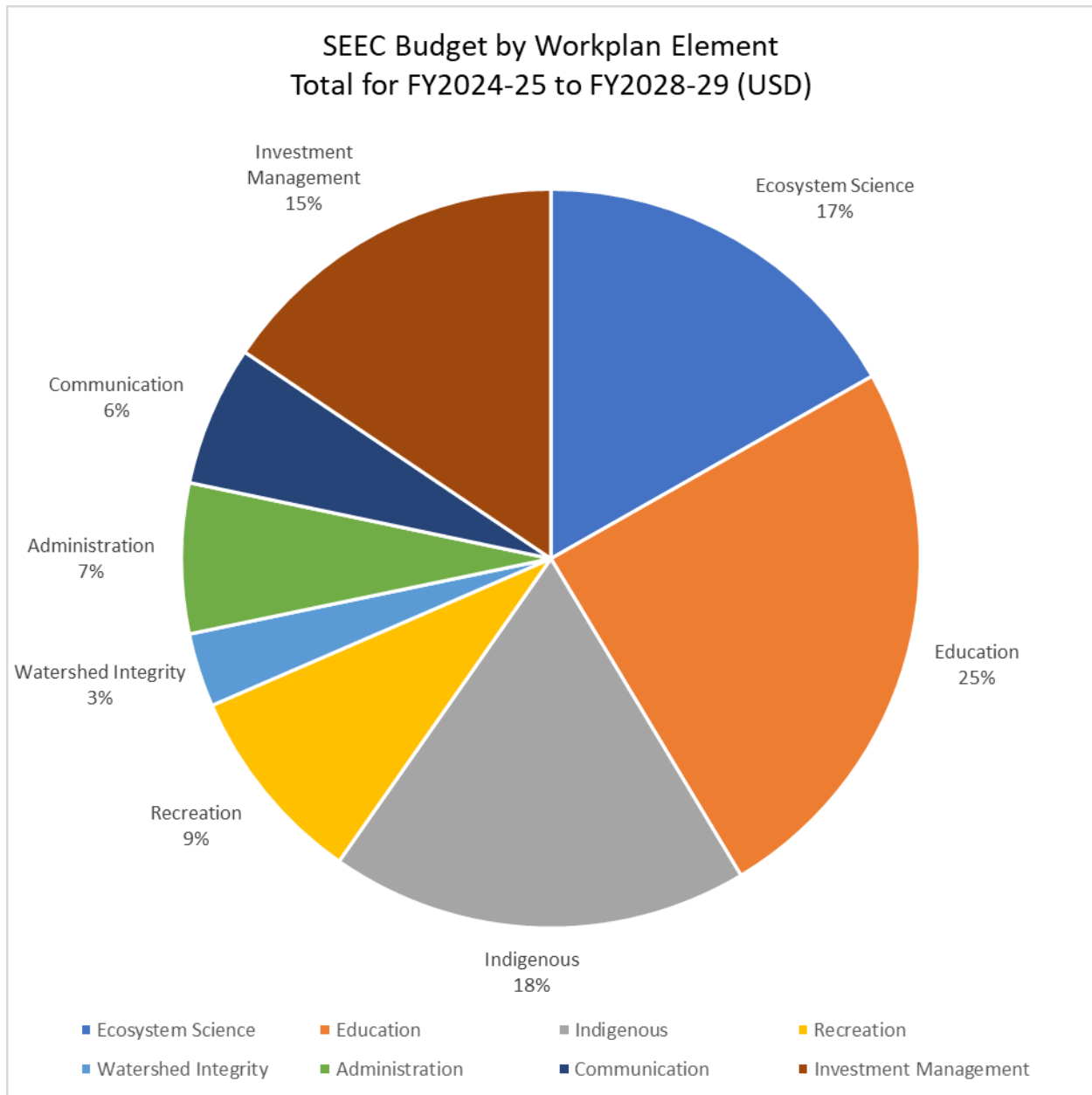
* The Commission's policy is to preserve the corpus of the endowment over the life of the High Ross Treaty, while keeping pace with inflation. Factors such as program costs, supplemental payments to the fund, and investment return may vary over time. The budget framework is an estimate, and details may vary from year to year.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT BUDGET

for the period April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2029

(All amounts in U.S. Dollars)

Budget Workplan Element	TOTAL OVER 5 YEARS
Administration	
Meetings/Per Diem	\$185,820
Insurance	\$9,991
Miscellaneous, Planning	\$22,539
Subtotal Administration	\$218,350
Financial Management	
Investment Management	\$423,640
Audit	\$83,709
Bookkeeping, bank fees	\$9,794
Subtotal Financial Management	\$516,709
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT BUDGET	\$735,059



SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

Department:	Dept. Contact:	CBO Contact:
Seattle City Light	Andrew Strong	Greg Shiring

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: A RESOLUTION approving the proposed budget framework of the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission for Canada fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029.

Summary and Background of the Legislation: In 2019, Resolution 31872 established a 5-year review and approval process for the Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission (SEEC) budget framework. This resolution will approve the SEEC budget framework for the next five-year period from April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029. The SEEC budget is funded by the Skagit Environmental Endowment Fund (Fund).

The Skagit Environmental Endowment Fund was jointly established by Seattle City Light and BC Hydro during the period 1985-89 as a result of the 1984 High Ross Treaty (Treaty) between the US and Canada and an associated Agreement (Agreement) between the City of Seattle and British Columbia. The Fund is separate and not part of the City of Seattle’s budget, but City approval of SEEC’s budget is required by the Treaty and Agreement.

The Fund is currently managed by Phillips, Hager & North, the institutional arm of the Royal Bank of Canada Global Asset Management, Inc., to maintain capital and produce revenue. SEEC policy is to preserve the corpus of the Fund, considering inflation, and to expend available proceeds from the Fund according to a budget developed through SEEC’s 5-year strategic planning process.

The Treaty and Agreement require Seattle City Light to supplement the Fund by an annual, inflation-adjusted payment, based on a fixed amount of power purchase. Seattle City Light’s payments for future years will be subject to Council approval by ordinance of the City’s annual budgets, and funds for such payments will be included in the Purchased Power Budget Control Level.

The projected amounts are shown in the table below:

2024 est.	2025 est.	2026 est.	2027 est.	2028 est.
\$177,663	\$182,993	\$188,482	\$194,137	\$199,961

The projections assume a 4% increase in 2024 and 3% for years 2025 – 2028 and rely on the City of Seattle Office of Economic and Revenue's Consumer Price Index (CPI) percentage increase forecasts for Seattle as of January 31, 2024.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? Yes No

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

n/a

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.

n/a

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Please describe how this legislation may affect any departments besides the originating department.

The legislation helps to fulfill certain obligations of the City of Seattle and secure ongoing benefits under the 1984 High Ross Treaty between the US and Canada and an associated Agreement between the City of Seattle and the province of British Columbia. Seattle City Light pays into the fund, as described in the background presented above, and provides staff support to the Commission as needed.

b. Does this legislation affect a piece of property? If yes, please attach a map and explain any impacts on the property. Please attach any Environmental Impact Statements, Determinations of Non-Significance, or other reports generated for this property.

No

c. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

- i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.**

The Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission (SEEC) and Skagit Environmental Endowment Fund were established through the 1984 High Ross Treaty between the US and Canada and an associated Agreement between the City of Seattle and British Columbia. SEEC administers the Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund is separate and not part of the City of Seattle's budget, but the Agreement requires that the SEEC budget be approved by Seattle.

The SEEC has five strategic priorities that have informed its budget. These priorities are outlined in the SEECs updated strategic plan and will help ensure the SEEC works diligently and is well-informed in decision-making processes as they fund diverse initiatives across a multi-jurisdictional landscape. These priorities also support the SEECs vision for the Upper Skagit transboundary watershed to be valued as ecologically and culturally unique, and to be conserved for the benefit of all.

- ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**

None completed.

- iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**

Not necessary.

d. Climate Change Implications

- i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

n/a

- ii. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

n/a

- e. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

n/a

5. CHECKLIST

Please click the appropriate box if any of these questions apply to this legislation.

- Is a public hearing required?**
- Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required?**
- If this legislation changes spending and/or revenues for a fund, have you reviewed the relevant fund policies and determined that this legislation complies?**
- Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**
If yes, please review requirements in Resolution 31203 for applicability and complete and attach “Additional risk analysis and fiscal analysis for non-utility partner projects” form.

6. ATTACHMENTS

List Summary Attachments (if any):



Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission FY2024-25 to FY2028-29 Budget Framework Approval

Sustainability, City Light, Arts & Culture Committee

April 5, 2024

Presentation Overview

- Historical Context
 - High Ross Treaty and Agreement
 - Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission (SEEC)
- Skagit Environmental Endowment Fund & Activities
- Five-Year Budget Framework
- Purpose of Council Resolution

Historical Context – High Ross Dam & Treaty



Ross Dam Construction 1939



1937: Ross Dam construction began.

1940: 1,380 feet asl

1949: 1,615 feet asl (**above the BC river elevation*)

1970: Applied to raise to 1,725 feet asl (**flooding 5,000 more acres into BC*)



High Ross Treaty and BC-Seattle Agreement

- Treaty between US and Canada established in 1984.
- Settled the High Ross dam controversy between the US and Canada
- BC Province and the City of Seattle administer the Agreement
- Established the Endowment Fund to protect the environmental integrity of the transboundary watershed.



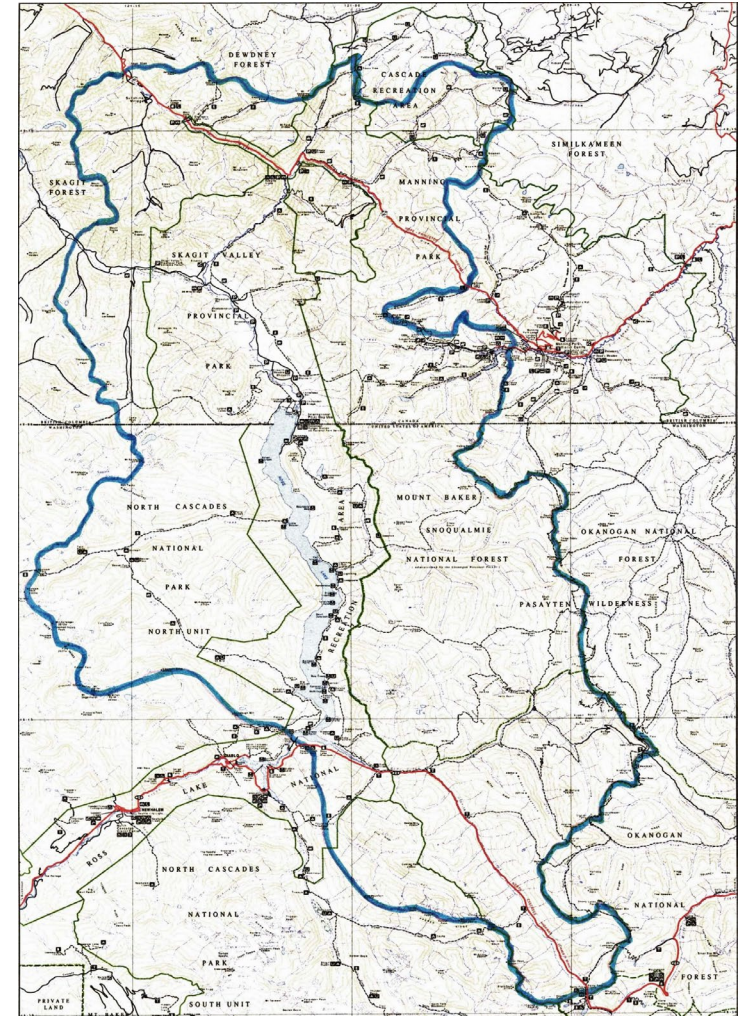
Upper Skagit Watershed's Importance

- Skagit River provides over 30% of fresh water flowing into Puget Sound.
- Largest and healthiest populations of threatened steelhead and Chinook salmon in Puget Sound and largest run of chum salmon in conterminous US.
- Chinook salmon make up 80% of the food source for the endangered Puget Sound resident Orca population.
- Largest and most diverse population of bull trout (a threatened species); 90% spawn in the Upper Skagit.
- Critical for reintroduction of grizzly bears, habitat for spotted owls and stands of old growth forest.
- Otherwise protected by B.C. provincial parks, the North Cascades National Park and Ross Lake National Recreation Area.



Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission

- Administers the Skagit Environment Endowment Fund.
- Consists of 16 Commissioners: 8 appointed by the Mayor of Seattle and 8 appointed by the Premier of British Columbia.
- Each serves a staggered 4-year term.
- Two co-chairs one from each country.
- Staff are provided by Seattle City Light and the Province of British Columbia.



Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission

- Purposes:
 - Conserve and protect wilderness and wildlife habitat.
 - Enhance recreational opportunities in the Skagit Valley.
 - Acquire mineral or timber rights consistent with conservation and recreational purposes.
 - Conduct studies of need and feasibility of projects.
 - To plan for and construct hiking trails, footbridges, interpretive displays and the like.



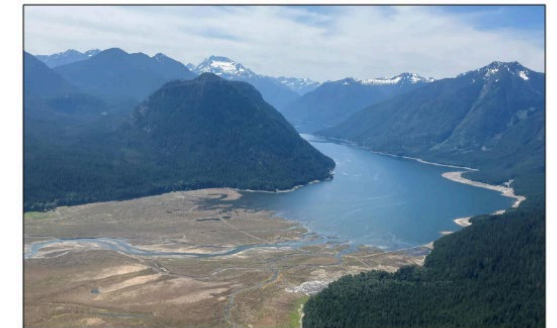
SEEC Funding Priorities

- Ecosystem Science
- Indigenous Peoples Engagement
- Environmental Education
- Watershed Integrity
- Recreation

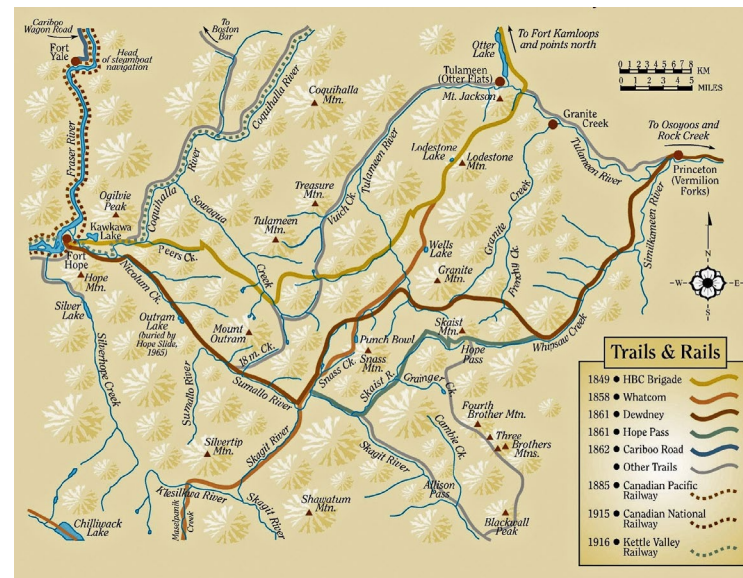


International Interpretation Program BC Parks Annual Overview 2023

Prepared by **A.J. Fedoruk**
Park Interpreter
Skagit Valley Provincial Park
BC Parks



Ross Lake from helicopter, June 2023



British Columbia

140 organizations and officials oppose exploratory drilling in area between 2 protected B.C. parks



Imperial Metals seeking permit in the Skagit headwaters just north of the U.S. border

 [Rafferty Baker](#) · CBC News · Posted: Aug 14, 2019 5:37 PM PT | Last Updated: August 14, 2019




The Smitheram Valley is one of the three main valleys in the area known as the Donut Hole, where Imperial Metals wants to explore for gold. (Wilderness Committee)

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Mining proposal for Skagit River headwaters in B.C. sparks outcry from congressional Dems, Gov. Inslee

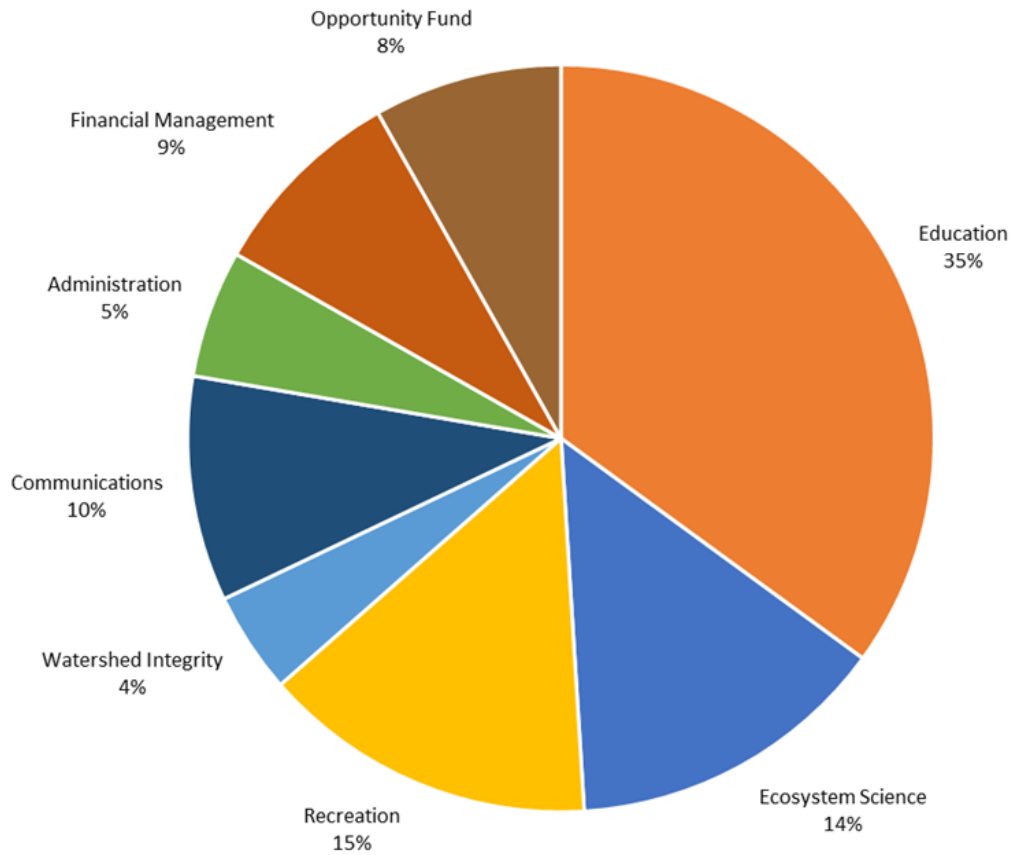
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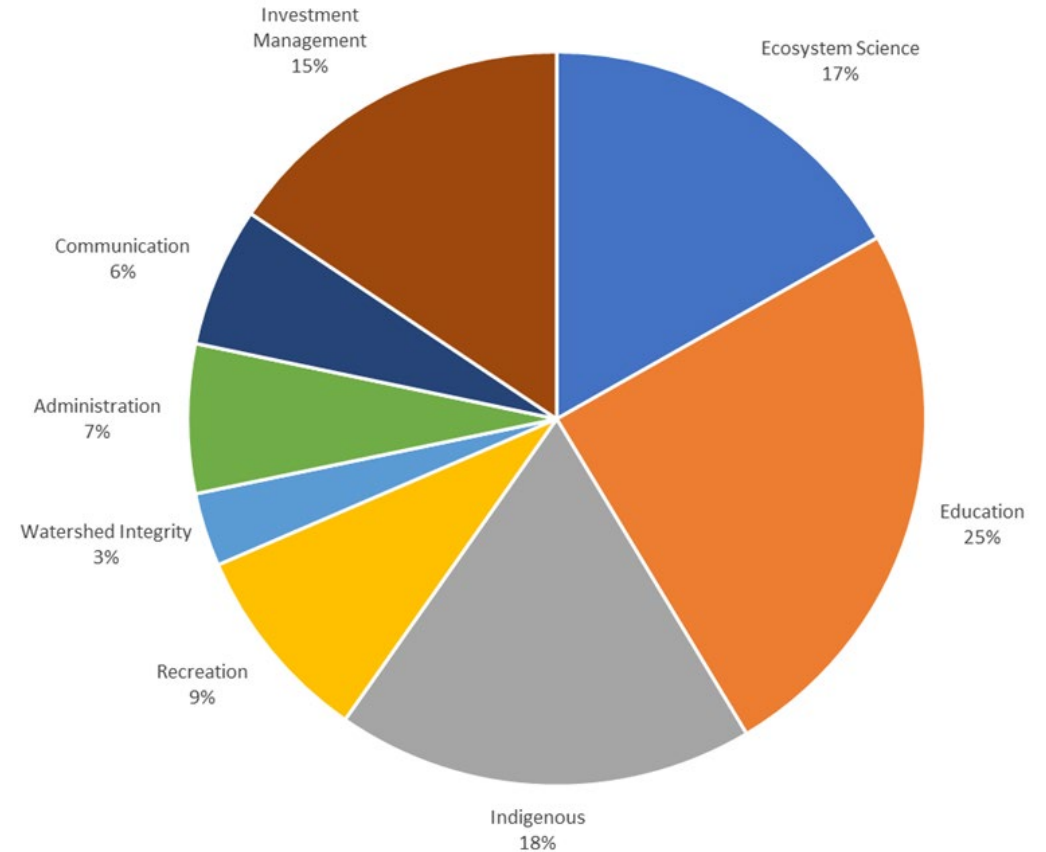
 1 of 4 | Logging is shown in the "donut hole," a Manhattan-sized patch of public land left unprotected because of historic mineral... (Mike Siegel / The Seattle Times, 2018) [More](#)

SEEC 5-Year Budget Comparison

Prior 5-Year Budget
April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2024



Current 5-Year Budget
April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2029



Examples of SEEC Grantees

- Hope Mountain Centre for Outdoor Learning
- BC Parks
- North Cascades Institute
- North Cascades National Park
- Student Conservation Association
- Fraser Valley Conservancy
- Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council (NNTC)
- Stó:lō Research and Resource Management Centre (SSRMC)

Commission Approved SEEC 5-Year Budget Framework

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Purpose of Council Resolution

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THANK YOU



Seattle City Light