City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: *Maeve C. Gillis*

Board or Commission Name: *Urban Forestry Commission*

Position Title: *Commissioner – Position #4*

☒ **Appointment** ☐ **Reappointment** ***Term of Position:** *4/1/2024* to *3/31/2027*

☐ *Serving partial term (eligible for full terms thereafter)*

Appointing Authority: ☐ City Council ☒ Mayor ☐ Other: *Insert Appointing Authority*

City Council Confirmation Required? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Residential Neighborhood: *Capitol Hill*

Appointee brief overview:

Maeve was born in Massachusetts and has called Seattle home for the last five years. She has worked in the energy and technology industries, but her passion is in protecting the original carbon capture innovators, our trees. Her aim on the Urban Forestry Commission is to increase equitable access to Seattle's trees and green spaces - a critical resource for our city's climate resiliency and for individual health and wellbeing. Maeve graduated summa cum laude from the University of Michigan with a B.S.E in Chemical Engineering.
Thank you so much!

Appointing Authority Signature:	**Appointing Authority Printed Name and Title:**
Katie B Wilson **Date Signed: 8/25/26**	*Katie B. Wilson, Mayor*

**For most boards and commissions, the term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.*

Maeve C. Gillis

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PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY

Management consultant and engineer with experience leading cross-functional projects across clean energy technologies, industrial systems and carbon reporting.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Microsoft | Senior Growth Marketing Manager | Redmond, WA | Jul 2024 – May 2025

- Led go-to-market strategy and launch execution for Microsoft 365 Business with Copilot, delivering field readiness, partner enablement, and NDA briefings reaching 80+ partners across 22 organizations.
- Translated partner and field feedback into go-to-market motions to better serve small businesses, driving cross-functional alignment across product, partner, field, and communications teams.

McKinsey & Company | Senior Business Analyst | Seattle, WA | Oct 2021 – May 2025

- Developed the go-to-market strategy for an electrolyzer manufacturer through diligence of 70 renewables players in three target regions, resulting in 200 MW of electrolyzer sales in six months
- Identified 2030 global hydrogen demand segments by application and geography where the value-in-use for clean exceeds production cost; Synthesized results in a report published with Hydrogen Council
- Provided data for McKinsey teams serving Hydrogen clients on projected clean hydrogen demand, production costs by hub, impact of regulatory incentives on hydrogen production technology
- Implemented a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) degradation tracking tool delivering 8-12 M USD/yr through battery performance insights and analytics and real-time alerts to inform asset deployment strategy and plan capital allocation to meet Resource Adequacy agreement
- Identified 20 M USD/yr opportunity across 1.7 GW solar portfolio by reducing downtime through predictive failure modeling and boosting yield via drone-assisted detection of panel degradation
- Identified 3 M USD/yr opportunity for a Chemicals client through improved reactor stability and reduced unplanned downtime by developing, trialing, and implementing reactor control updates

ExxonMobil | Emissions Reporting Advisor | Baton Rouge, LA | Aug 2020 – Sep 2021

- Calculated emissions for Title V permitted sources at the 500,000 barrel per day refinery and compiled internal, state, and federal emissions reports (Emissions Inventory, GHG, TRI, SARA 311 and 312)
- Developed emissions projections methodology and excel and integrated emissions planning into existing business planning for a site-wide air permitting strategy

Dow Chemical Company | Process Engineer Co-op | MI, LA, TX | May 2018– Aug 2019

- Debottlenecked wastewater system during rain events through a three-part solution including changes in operational discipline, updates to controls code, and a targeted pump upgrade

EDUCATION

University of Michigan | Ann Arbor, MI |Aug 2016 – May 2020

- BSE in Chemical Engineering, Summa Cum Laude, GPA: 3.8/4.0

ADDITIONAL INTERESTS

Thru Hiking: Completed 1,800 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail Summer 2025, including summits of Mt. Whitney and Mt. Rainier, strengthening resilience while reinforcing commitment to sustainability

Boards: Seattle Urban Forestry Commission (Position 10)

Citizenship: United States, Ireland

URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION

13 Members: Pursuant to SMC 3.72, 13 or all members subject to City Council confirmation, with 3-year terms. Get Engaged clause added for 1-year term pursuant to SMC 3.51.

- 6 City Council-appointed
- 6 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority-appointed:

Roster as of 08.12.2026

Position Number	Position Title	Appointee Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	*Term Number	Appointed By
1	Wildlife Biologist	Aaron D. Clark	04/01/26	03/31/29	2	Council
2	Urban Ecologist	James B. Shambaugh	04/01/26	03/31/29	1	Mayor
3	Natural Resource Agency or University Representative	Lani Chang	04/01/25	03/31/28	1	Council
4	Hydrologist or Similar Professional	Maeve C. Gillis	04/01/24	03/31/27	1	Mayor
5	Arborist	Drue Epping	04/01/24	03/31/27	1	Council
6	Landscape Architect	Stephanie A. Smith	04/01/24	03/31/27	1	Mayor
7	NGO Representative	Tara K. Camp	04/01/25	03/31/28	1	Council
8	Development Community or Utility Representative	Briana P. Miller	04/01/25	03/31/28	1	Mayor
9	Economist, Financial Analyst, Realtor, or Similar Professional	N/A	04/01/26	03/31/29		Commission
10	Get Engaged Member	Samaree Wakimoto	09/01/25	08/31/26	1	Mayor
11	Environmental Justice Representative	Melanie Ocasio	04/01/24	03/31/27	1	Council
12	Public Health Representative	Andrea Starbird	04/01/24	03/31/27	1	Mayor
13	Community/ Neighborhood Representative	Lia Hall	04/01/24	03/31/27	2	Council
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Self-identified diversity chart

*P is for partial initial term. Appointee is eligible for full terms thereafter.

Appointing Authority	Male	Female	Transgender	Non-Binary	N/A	Asian	Black/ African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	White/ non-Hispanic	Hispanic/ Latinx	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multi - racial	N/A
Mayor		3							3					
Council	1	5				1			3	1			1	
Other														
Total														

City Council districts represented

Council District	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	District 7	N/A
Total		3	3	1	1	1	1	

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