



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Kara Martin		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Planning Commission		Position Title: Position #7
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	Date Appointed: 3/7/2017	Term of Position: * 4/16/2017 to 4/15/2020
Residential Neighborhood: West Seattle	Zip Code: 98116	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Kara joined the Planning Commission because she is passionate about ensuring residents can live healthy, active lives in all Seattle neighborhoods. Kara is committed to seeing that community health and equity are addressed and integrated with other critical planning issues such as affordable housing, job creation, and transportation access. Kara is a partner and land use planner at Urban Food Link, a consulting firm that works with communities to create fair access to healthy food and grow a thriving local food economy. Kara lives in West Seattle with her husband, son and dogs. Her favorite place in Seattle is Schmitz Park.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: Rob Johnson Seattle City Councilmember

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not appointment date or appointee.
August 30, 2016

KARA E. MARTIN, AICP

For fifteen years, Kara Martin, AICP, has been working on how health and food intersect with the built environment through tools such as policy analysis and development, conducting assessments and evaluations, and partnership convening. Kara collaborates with local governments, community organizations and education institutions throughout Washington State as well as across the country. Working to advance community health and food systems efforts, Kara is an active leader in local and national conversations. Kara serves on the American Planning Association's (APA) Food Interest Group Leadership Committee, Washington State Food System Roundtable and Seattle Planning Commission.

Program Director, Global to Local, SeaTac, WA

2017-

present

Oversee programming, activities and staffing for the Food Innovation Network. Initially contracted in 2013 as program manager to develop strategies and workplan and coordinate FIN partners. The Food Innovation Network (FIN) is a collective impact group creating pathways for health, wealth, and success through food system revitalization and food business incubation in South King County.

Principal/Owner of Healthy Community Planning, LLC, and Urban Food Link, Seattle, WA

2009-2016

Consulted on variety projects. Skilled expertise includes conducting community food system assessments, incorporating food systems into comprehensive plans and land use code (i.e. urban agriculture ordinances), and providing trainings/workshops for communities and planners. Selected projects include:

- o **American Planning Association (APA):** Co-instructor for a 2-day workshop on *Community Food System Planning* for APA's Planning Training Service series. (2014)
- o **Global to Local:** see contract work related to current position (2013-2016)
- o **City of Seattle's Office of Sustainability and Environment:** Conducted mapping analysis of retail environment in City of Seattle; developed process for including food access measures for inter-departmental work; and assessed capacity and demand for small food-processing facilities. (2012-13)
- o **Forterra:** Developed urban agriculture policy and development code recommendations for City of Federal Way's Comprehensive Plan and municipal code. (2012-13)
- o **Planning for Healthy Communities:** Subcontracted with SvR Design to provide food landscape assessments, including GIS analysis and policy recommendations for six cities in King County, WA for a project funded by Public Health- Seattle & King County's Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW), a CDC award. (2011-12)

University of Washington: Adjunct lecturer for Dept. of Urban Design and Planning 2011-2012
in 2011-2012. Co-taught a graduate food systems planning course and oversaw the
Western Washington Foodshed Study for the American Farmland Trust.

Independent Contractor, Seattle, WA 2007-2009

- Graduate research assistant for King County Food & Fitness Initiative assessment work and development of a toolkit for the Delridge Healthy Corner Store Project.
- Developed fundraising strategies including grant case statements.
- Coordinated events such as King County's Harvest Celebration Farms Tour and the North King County Food Security Summit.

NON-PROFIT WORK EXPERIENCE

Program Associate, Aradia Women's Health Center, Seattle, WA 2004-2006

Development Manager, Boomtown Café, Seattle, WA 2002-2004

Volunteer Coordinator, Food Lifeline, Seattle, WA 2001-2002

EDUCATION & TRAINING

American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) – professionally certified urban planner 2014

Institute of Cultural Affairs Technology of Participation Facilitation Methods 2014

Built Environment Assessment Training (BEAT) Institute, University of Pennsylvania 2011

Master of Urban Planning, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 2009

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 2001

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- Seattle Planning Commissioner (2014-present) ~ Housing and Neighborhoods Committee co-chair (2015); Commission Vice-Chair (2016)
- American Planning Association Food Interest Group Leadership Committee (2013-present)
- Washington State Food System Roundtable member (2014-present)
- Washington APA Big Idea's chair for the Sustainable Agriculture & Healthy Food Systems Working Group (2014-2015)
- South King County Food Access Working Group (2012-present)
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's *Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities* in King County steering committee (2011-2012)
- King County Food & Fitness Initiative's Healthy Retail Strategy Action Team (2009-2012)

PRESENTATIONS

- American Planning Association (APA) National Conferences and webinar (2011, 2012, 2015)
- Washington State APA Conferences (2011, 2013, 2014, 2016)
- University of Washington courses' lectures (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC) webinar series (2011)
- Puget Sound Regional Council's Regional Food Policy Council (2011, 2012, 2014, 2016)

Seattle Planning Commission

Sixteen Members: Pursuant to *Seattle Municipal Code 3.64.010, 3.64.020*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2, three year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Seattle Planning Commission

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
5	F	7	1.	Member	Lauren Craig	4/16/16	4/15/19	2	City Council
3	F	5	2.	Member	Eileen Canola	4/16/16	4/15/19	1	Mayor
6	M	2	3.	Member	Tim Parham	4/16/16	4/15/19	2	City Council
6	F	2	4.	Member	Lauren Squires	4/16/16	4/15/19	1	Mayor
5	F	4	5.	Member	Marjorie Press	4/16/16	4/15/19	2	City Council
1	F	3	6.	Member	Grace H. Kim	4/16/17	4/15/20	1	Mayor
6	F	1	7.	Member	Kara Martin	4/16/17	4/15/20	1	City Council
6	M	3	8.	Member	David Shelton	4/16/17	4/15/20	1	Mayor
6	F	4	9.	Member	Patricia Wilma	4/16/17	4/15/20	1	City Council
1	M	2	10.	Member	Michael Austin	4/16/17	4/15/20	1	Mayor
3	M	3	11.	Member	Julio Sanchez	4/16/16	4/15/19	1	City Council
9	F	6	12.	Member	Jamie Stroble	4/16/15	4/15/18	1	Mayor
6	M	4	13.	Member	David Goldberg	4/16/15	4/15/18	1	City Council
9	F	2	14.	Member	Sandra Fried	4/16/15	4/15/18	1	Mayor
6	M	6	15.	Member	Jake McKinstry	4/16/15	4/15/18	1	Seattle Planning Commission
9	F	3		Get Engaged Member	Keiko Budech	9/2016	9/2017	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other (Specification Optional)	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor	2	6			2	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	3					
Council	3	4			0	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	0					
Other	1	0			0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0					
Total	6	10			2	0	2	0	2	7	0	0	3					

Key:

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

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.