



# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Mary Ellen Russell</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle School Traffic Safety Committee</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>#7 At-large</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Date Appointed:</b> <i>2/16/2017</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> <i>4/1/2017</i> to <i>3/31/2020</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Green Lake</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98115</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> 
<b>Background:</b>  <i>As a founding principal of Russell + Lambert Landscape Architecture, Mary Ellen has focused her career on transportation and streetscapes. In 12 years of working in Seattle she has collaborated with civil engineers to design numerous intersections, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and multi-use trails that create safe and inviting ways for pedestrians and bicyclists to move through the urban environment. This experience helps her understand how to balance the needs of all transportation users including pedestrians, bicycles, vehicles, and busses to keep them all moving safely through shared streets.</i>  <i>A committed pedestrian and family cyclist, Mary Ellen loves biking and walking in her neighborhood with her two daughters and yellow lab. Mary Ellen's oldest daughter is a kindergartner at Greenlake Elementary who walks to and from school each day in a 'walk pool' with several neighbors. Mary Ellen hopes that her work on the Traffic Safety Committee will provide an opportunity to use her professional and personal experiences and insights to improve safety and walkability for all of the families at our Seattle schools</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b> 		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Edward B Murray</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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



## Mary Ellen Russell, PLA

Principal and Founder, Russell + Lambert Landscape Architects, 2010 - present

Landscape Architect, J.A. Brennan Associates 2006-2010

Landscape Designer, HBB, 2005-2006

### Education

#### **Master of Landscape Architecture,**

Cornell University

*Area of Concentration:*

*Ecological Urban Design*

#### **Bachelor of Arts,**

*Interdisciplinary Arts and Humanities,*

Michigan State

University

*Areas of Concentration:*

*Horticulture and*

*Botany, History, Italian*

*Language and Culture*

### Registration

Registered Landscape Architect in the State of Washington

Tree Risk Assessment

Qualification,

International Society of

Arboriculture

### Professional Experience

Mary Ellen Russell's experience includes many well-known parks, trails, waterfronts, streetscapes, and infrastructure projects such as Juanita Beach Park and conceptual design for the Elliott Bay Seawall project. She has guided numerous public projects through the design process, from conceptual design and master planning, through construction documents, specifications, permitting, and construction observation.

Mary Ellen provided landscape and urban design for the award winning NE 36th St Bridge in Redmond, a bridge over SR 520 which provides a major connection for vehicular traffic, transit, pedestrians, and bicycles and which includes extensive pedestrian areas.

Mary Ellen is currently working on the Ballard Natural drainage project, which uses improved sidewalks with bulbouts at corners to provide safe routes to school while also using 20 blocks of raingardens in the right of way to reduce combined sewer overflows and improve water quality.

Mary Ellen is experienced in public involvement including developing accessible graphics, leading public meetings, and facilitating design charrettes. She enjoys working with the public to gather community knowledge and input and ensure that her projects are good neighbors.

### Select Transportation and Streetscape Design Experience

- Harbour Reach Drive Extensions; *City of Mukilteo/ Mukilteo, WA*
- Park Street Roundabout; *City of North Bend/ North Bend, WA*
- North Kelsey and Chain Lake Road Roundabout; *City of Monroe/ Monroe, WA*
- SR 92 and I-90 Roundabouts;  
*Washington State Department of Transportation/ Lake Stevens & Issaquah, WA*
- Lakemont Blvd and Cougar Mt Way Intersection; *City of Bellevue/ Bellevue, WA*
- Pioneer Highway and Fir Island Road Roundabout;  
*Skagit County/ Conway, WA*
- 15th Street and Avenue D Roundabout; *City of Snohomish/ Snohomish, WA*
- Haxton Way & Kwina Road Roundabout; *The Lummi Nation/ Whatcom County, WA*
- NE 36<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Pedestrian Overpass;  
*City of Redmond/ Redmond, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Yakima Downtown Futures Initiative; *City of Yakima/ Yakima, WA (with HBB)*

### Parks , Trails, & Community Projects Experience

- Everett Riverside Neighborhood Improvement Projects; *City of Everett/ Everett, WA*
- Tacoma Nature Center Discovery Pond Nature Exploration Play Area  
*Metro Parks Tacoma/ Tacoma, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*

- Beebe Springs Wildlife Area; *WA State Department of Fish and Wildlife/ Chelan, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Tacoma Chinese Reconciliation Park;  
*City of Tacoma/ Tacoma, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Evans Creek Preserve Phase 1 Improvements;  
*City of Sammamish/ Sammamish, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Juanita Beach Park; *City of Kirkland/ Kirkland, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*

#### Planning Experience

- North Service Center Central Lot and Service Yard Parking Comprehensive Planning  
*Seattle City Light/ Seattle, WA*
- Planning and Plan Review Consultant Services; *City of Monroe/ Monroe, WA*
- The Park at Bothell Landing Master Plan;  
*City of Bothell/ Bothell, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Evans Creek Preserve Long Term Strategy;  
*City of Sammamish/ Sammamish, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Marra Desimone Park Long Range Development Plan  
*Seattle Parks & Recreation/ Seattle, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Lake Wilderness Lodge and Park Master Plan;  
*Maple Valley Parks & Recreation/ Maple Valley, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Park and Recreational Open Space Plan Update;  
*City of Stanwood/ Stanwood, WA (with HBB)*
- Plan Review Consultant Services; *City of Kenmore/ Kenmore, WA (with HBB)*
- Elliott Bay Seawall Replacement Project;  
*Seattle Department of Transportation/ Seattle, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*

#### Stormwater Facilities and Infrastructure Experience

- North City Water District Maintenance Facilities Master Plan;  
*North City Water District/ Shoreline, WA*
- North Service Center Central Lot and Service Yard Parking;  
*Seattle City Light/ Seattle, WA*
- South Plant Biogas and Heat Systems Project; *King County/ Renton, WA*
- 14<sup>th</sup> & Concord St Combined Sewer System (CSS) Improvements Project;  
*Seattle Public Utilities/ Seattle, WA*
- Ballard Natural Drainage Solutions 2015; *Seattle Public Utilities/ Seattle, WA*
- North Lake Sammamish Flow Diversion Design; *King County/ King County, WA*
- Delridge Combined Sewer Overflow Retrofit; *Seattle Public Utilities/ Seattle, WA*
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South & South Trenton Street Stormwater Improvements;  
*Seattle Public Utilities/ Seattle, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*
- Yauger Park Regional Stormwater Facility;  
*City of Olympia/ Olympia, WA (with J.A. Brennan Associates)*

#### Commercial, Residential, and Mixed Use Experience

- Wetmore 8 Townhomes; *Green Canopy Homes/ Seattle, WA*
- PCC Visualization; *PCC Natural Markets/ Seattle, WA*
- Seward Park Residences; *Green Canopy Homes/ Seattle, WA*
- West Seattle Residences; *Green Canopy Homes/ Seattle, WA*

# Seattle School Traffic Safety Committee

11 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 124168*, all subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 6 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Appointed by Chief of Police
- 1 Appointed by SDOT Director
- 2 Appointed by Superintendent of Public Schools
- 1 Appointed by Metro Transit GM

**Roster:**

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
	M		1.	SPD Representative	Rich O'Neill	2/23/2015		1	Chief of Police
	F		2.	SDOT Representative	Ashley Rhead			1	SDOT Director
	M		3.	SPS Representative	Richard Staudt	10/6/14		1	Superintendent of Public Schools
	F		4.	SPS Representative	Yvonne Carpenter	10/6/14		1	Superintendent of Public Schools
	F	6	5.	Parents;	Alyssa B. Smith	2/26/16	2/25/19	1	Mayor
			6.	Metro	Open				Mero Transit General Manager
	F	6	7.	At-large	Mary Ellen Russell	4/1/17	3/31/20	1	Mayor
	F	1	8.	At-large	Shanti Breznau	4/1/16	4/1/19	1	Mayor
	F	4	9.	At-large	Cathy Tuttle	4/20/15	3/31/18	1	Mayor
	F	3	10.	Pedestrian Safety	Margaret McCauley	4/1/17	3/31/20	1	Mayor
	F	6	11.	Bike Safety	Shannon Koller	8/3/15	3/31/18	1	Mayor
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**SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART** (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

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

**Key:**

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

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