

December 14, 2018

Monica Martinez Simmons Seattle City Clerk 600 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Ms. Martinez Simmons,

The Mayor's Office is returning Council Bill 119426. This legislation grants conditional approval of the University of Washington 2018 Seattle Campus Master Plan.

Pursuant to SMC 4.16.070.A.1.a. and in strict compliance with the advice given by the Executive Director of the Seattle Ethics and Election Commission's interpretation of the Seattle Ethics Code, but without relinquishing any of the Powers and Duties granted to Mayor Durkan by the Charter of the City of Seattle, she has recused herself from participating in this matter. Due to her recusal, she will not be signing attached Council Bill 119426. By returning this legislation unsigned, it will become law by operation of law consistent with the City Charter.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Michelle Chen

Legal Counsel to the Mayor

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