

Appointee Name:									
Jessica Vu									
Board/Commission Name:			Position Title:						
Board of Park Commissioners		Commissioner							
	City Council Co	City Council Confirmation required?							
Appointment OR Reappointment	Yes								
Appointing Authority:	Term of Position	on: *							
City Council	9/1/2020								
Mayor	to								
Other: Fill in appointing authority	8/31/2021								
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Residential Neighborhood: Columbia City	Zip Code: <i>98118</i>	Con	Contact Phone No.:						
,	50110								
Background:									
Jessica Vu holds a master's degree in public administration from the University of Washington. She									
works in the non-profit sector connecting with marginalized communities to ensure true representation and stakeholder input. During interviews, staff were impressed with her commitment to equity and feel									
she would be a great addition on the board.									
Authorizing Signature (original signature):	Appointing Signatory:								
	Jenny A. Durkan								
Jenny A. Durken Date Signed (appointed):	Mayor								
Date Signed (appointed):									
10/7/2020									

JESSICA VU (she/her)

PROFILE

Social justice advocate and project manager with versatile experience in mission-based organizations. Strategic systems thinker that thrives in gray areas. Committed to amplifying the voices of historically marginalized communities.

EXPERIENCE

Forterra (Seattle, WA)

Project Manager, Innovations

- Using a racial equity lens, develop and implement initiatives to advance community-identified land-use priorities related to community development, food systems, regional planning, and outdoor recreation.
- Convene and facilitate cross-sector stakeholder networks to build collective capacity among partners, synthesize shared goals, and elevate these goals at the policy and institutional levels.
- Oversee project activities from start to finish, including proposal development, project design, budget and contract management, task implementation, and reporting.

Seattle Region Partnership (Seattle, WA)

Seattle Region Partnership Graduate Intern

- Supported strategic development for a collective impact initiative that aims to promote inclusive economic growth in the Seattle region.
- Analyzed baseline labor market data, convened prominent cross-sector stakeholders, and conducted an impact summary of the initiative.
- Engaged in fund development, securing more than \$200,000 in grant funding in a six-month period to support the initiative's employer and youth engagement efforts.

South King County Food Coalition (Des Moines, WA)

Elk Run Farm Program Coordinator

- Coordinated the programmatic and infrastructural development of a farm that grows produce for the food banks of South King County.
- Conducted community engagement, developed communications strategies, created systems for volunteer management, established relationships with partner organizations, and engaged in fund development and grant administration.

WithinReach (Seattle, WA) *Outreach & Enrollment Specialist* September 2014 – July 2015

Assisted more than 300 clients in accessing food and health resources—namely SNAP and Medicaid—by providing application assistance and program information through public outreach.

May 2018 – Present

July 2015 – July 2016

June – December 2017

• Developed and conducted trainings for outreach volunteers and community partners.

CONSULTING PROJECTS

Lead Consultant (Seattle, WA)

January – June 2018

Reimagining King Street Station through a Racial Equity and Social Justice Lens Client: City of Seattle Office of Arts and Culture (ARTS)

- Led an award-winning team of graduate student consultants to research and recommend best practices around curating racially equitable cultural spaces in response to the City of Seattle's Race and Social Justice Initiative.
- Developed measures of success for ARTS' transformation of the King Street Station into a socially and racially inclusive hub for arts and culture.

EDUCATION

University of Washington (Seattle, WA)

Evans School of Public Policy & Governance

• Master of Public Administration

New York University (New York, NY)

- Bachelor of Arts, Political Ecology of Food Systems
- Minor: French

SKILLS & EXPERTISE

- Experience with Stata, SPSS, Tableau, QGIS, and Microsoft Office (particularly PowerPoint and Excel)
- Proficiency in French

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

• Steering Committee, Food Innovation Network

Board of Park Commissioners

9 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 123803, all* members subject to City Council confirmation, *3*-year terms:

- 4 City Council-appointed
- 5 Mayor-appointed

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By	
1	М	3	1.	Commissioner	Marlon Herrera	4/1/18	3/31/21	1	Mayor	
2	М	5	2.	Commissioner	Evan Hundley	4/1/19	3/31/22	1	City Council	
1	F	2	3.	Commissioner	Andréa Akita	4/1/19	3/31/22	1	Mayor	
2	М	2	4.	Commissioner	Dennis Cook	4/1/18	3/31/21	2	City Council	
6	М	3	5.	Commissioner	Tom Byers	4/1/18	3/31/21	2	Mayor	
6	F	5	6.	Commissioner	Jessica Farmer	4/1/18	3/31/21	1	City Council	
2	М	3	7.	Commissioner	William Lowe	4/1/18	3/31/21	2	Mayor	
6	F	1	8.	Commissioner	Kelly McCaffrey	4/1/19	3/31/22	1	City Council	
1	F	2	9.	Get Engaged	Jessica Vu	9/1/20	8/31/21	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	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	3	2			3	1				1			
Council	2	2				2				2			
Other													
Total	5	4			3	3				3			

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.