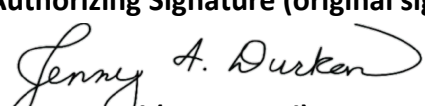




## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Jessica Vu</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Board of Park Commissioners</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Commissioner</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		<b>Term of Position: *</b> 9/1/2020 to 8/31/2021  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Columbia City</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98118</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b>
<b>Background:</b> <i>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.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b> 10/7/2020		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Jenny A. Durkan</i> <i>Mayor</i>

*\*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.*

# 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)**

**May 2018 – Present**

*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)**

**June – December 2017**

*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)**

**July 2015 – July 2016**

*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)**

**September 2014 – July 2015**

*Outreach & Enrollment Specialist*

- 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.

- 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	M	3	1.	Commissioner	Marlon Herrera	4/1/18	3/31/21	1	Mayor
2	M	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	M	2	4.	Commissioner	Dennis Cook	4/1/18	3/31/21	2	City Council
6	M	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	M	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

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.*