




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: May So		
Board/Commission Name: Southeast Design Review Board		Position Title: Design Professional
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment	City Council Confirmation required? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Term of Position: * 4/4/2021 to 4/3/2023 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position	
Residential Neighborhood: Capitol Hill	Zip Code: 98122	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Ms. So has over 20 years of architectural experience, practice management, and project leadership working on complex, large-scale mixed-use high-rise office and mixed-income residential developments. A Senior Associate at Mithun, she works on urban placemaking projects, where she manages an integrated design process from concept to construction. Ms. So previously worked as an Associate at Henriquez Partners Architects in Vancouver, Canada. Ms. So currently serves on the Pike-Pine Neighborhood Council, the Capital Hill EcoDistrict, and the AIA Seattle Committee on Homelessness. Previously, she served on Vancouver’s Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee while the historic zoning policy and design guidelines were being revised to preserve neighborhood character while pressured by increasing development. She has also contributed her knowledge through numerous publications, public speaking events, and broadcasts on topics such as housing affordability and redevelopment.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 4/27/2021	Appointing Signatory: Dan Strauss City Councilmember	

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

May So

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Professional Registrations

Architect Architectural Institute of
British Columbia

International Associate AIA

Member of the Royal Architectural
Institute of Canada

Education

Master of Architecture
University of British Columbia 2002

Bachelor of Fine Arts
University of Calgary 1997

Select Publications

Archimemo: HPA Online Journal,
2012-2015

Body Heat: The Story of the
Woodward's Redevelopment, 2010

World Cities and Urban Form:
Fragmented, Polycentric,
Sustainable?, "'World Class'
Vancouver: A Terminal City
Reimagined," 2008

Towards an Ethical Architecture:
Issues within the Work of Gregory
Henriquez, 2006

306090-08: Autonomous Urbanism,
"Pac Place," 2005

Select Public Speaking Events

Women Transforming Cities, "Cities
Designed to Work for Women", 2017

Turncoats Vancouver Debates,
"Design the Wall: Should Architects be
Political?", 2017

Dudoc and the Vancouver
Netherlands Consulate, "Inclusive
Cities - the New Urban Agenda:
Lessons from the UN-Habitat Habitat
III Conference," 2016

Q Commons: Home, Community and
Belonging, 2015

Mission-driven architect and practice leader with 20 years of experience leading urban mixed-use projects connecting people with each other and their environments to create sustainable, socially equitable cities. She is inspired by the transformative power of design to address urban challenges with a human-centered lens.

Profile

On the leadership team of an integrated design firm dedicated to creating positive change in people's lives through a collaborative spirit of design founded on a process of inquiry and listening.

Extensive experience as project leader of multidisciplinary teams delivering complex, large-scale, civically significant and sustainable mixed-use office, high-rise residential and higher education projects from design through construction.

Published author of research papers on the impacts of densification and co-author of two books on the work of Henriquez Partners Architects, *Towards an Ethical Architecture* and *Body Heat*.

Public speaker on urban topics including affordable housing, multi-sectoral collaborations and inclusive cities.

Former member of the City of Vancouver Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee, member of social welfare committees and non-profit boards including AIA Seattle's Committee on Homelessness, and an Intern Architect mentor with the AIBC.

Career Path

Mithun | Seattle, WA 2018-Present
Senior Associate

- Project types: high-rise multi-residential and commercial mixed use, higher education, affordable housing and urban planning.
- Studies development capacity of sites in the Puget Sound Region.
- Manages complex, large-scale, multi-stakeholder housing projects.
- Leads a West Coast affordable housing forum.

Henriquez Partners Architects | Vancouver, Canada 2002-2018
Associate

- Project types: high-rise residential mixed use, commercial, cultural, civic, higher education, multi-residential and affordable housing.
- Managed complex large-scale, multi-stakeholder projects with multi-city project teams in Vancouver, Toronto and Seattle.
- Co-created and led HPA Impact, a social initiative to empower and enrich communities served through resources and projects.



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Broadcasts and Media

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
Vancouver SOLD! Housing Forum and
Podcast: Is Housing a Commodity or a
Human Right? 2018

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
Vancouver Editorial Board on
Affordable Housing, 2017

Boards and Memberships

Member, AIA Seattle Committee on
Homelessness, 2018-Present

Member, City of Vancouver
Chinatown Historic Area Planning
Committee, 2017-2018

Intern Architect Mentor, Architectural
Institute of British Columbia, 2017-
Present

Secretary-Board of Directors, Lazarus
Community Society, 2007-2018

Board of Directors, Reign Foundation,
2014-2018

Select Awards

Architizer A+ Awards, Juror's Pick and
Popular Vote, 2016 | TELUS Garden

City of Vancouver Urban Design
Awards-Reinforcing Community
Through Collaboration and Social
Innovation, 2014 | 60 W Cordova

AIBC Special Jury Award for
Outstanding Programming and
Placemaking, 2011 | Woodward's
Redevelopment

Certifications and Training

ULI NW 2019 Center for Leadership
Participant

EcoDistricts Accredited Professional
Candidate, 2018

LEED v4 AP BD+C Candidate, 2018

Public Interest Design Institute SEED
Training, 2012

Maison d'Etre | Vancouver, Canada 2001-2002
Architectural Designer for residential design-build projects

Grant + Sinclair Architects | Vancouver, Canada 1999-2001
Architectural Designer for educational, civic, transportation, and master
planning projects

IBI Group | Vancouver, Canada 1997-1998
Architectural Designer for hospitality and commercial projects

Mayell Architect Ltd. | Calgary, Canada 1996-1997
Architectural Designer for retail, civic, religious and residential projects

BLK Architects | Calgary, Canada 1995
Architectural Designer for retail, healthcare, and entertainment projects

Representative Projects

1200 Stewart, Seattle, WA | Henriquez Partners Architects

Project Manager / Associate-in-Charge for mixed-use high-rise project
including 1,014 residential market-rate rental units on a 150,000-sf podium
of commercial and destination uses, underground parking, public
pedestrian galleria, garden, seating, market kiosks. LEED Gold target.

Mirvish Village, Toronto, Canada | Henriquez Partners Architects

Project Manager / Associate-in-Charge for mixed-use high-rise
redevelopment including 800 residential market-rate and 85 workforce
rental units with shared amenities, 168,000 sf of retail space, a public
market, a daycare, incubator maker spaces, non-profit community
spaces, restoration of 24 heritage-designated buildings, underground
parking and an expandable combined heat and power neighborhood
energy system. The complex rezoning resulted in Official Plan and Zoning
By-law amendments to ensure that revitalization improves overall
livability. LEED Platinum ND target.

Woodward's Redevelopment, Vancouver, Canada | Henriquez Partners

Project Manager/ Lead Technical Designer for mixed-use mixed-income
high-rise urban renewal project in a low-income community including
530 units of condominium housing, 125 units of subsidized family housing,
75 single-room-occupancy units and 10 accessible units, shared
amenities, office, non-profit sector hub, retail, and Simon Fraser University
School of Contemporary Art surrounding a central public atrium.

TELUS Garden, Vancouver, Canada | Henriquez Partners Architects

Project Manager / Associate-in-Charge for a mixed-use high-rise project
including 424 units of condominium housing, 500,000 sf of office space
including TELUS headquarters, retail, a public plaza, district energy
system, solar array that powers the architectural lighting, underground
parking and refurbishment of a national high-security data center. LEED
Platinum for office tower and LEED Gold for the residential tower.



Seattle Design Review Boards - March 2021

42 Design Review Board Members: Pursuant to SMC 23.41.008, *all* members are subject to City Council confirmation, *two-year* terms that may be re-appointed to a second term:

- 12 City Council-appointed
- 13 Mayor-appointed
- 15 Joint Mayor and Council appointed
- 2 *Mayor appointed per SMC 3.51 (Get Engaged)*

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M		1.	Local Residential, DT	Bissen, Matthew	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/Council
3	M		2.	Local Community, NE	Castaneda, Manuel	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	M		3.	Development, SW	Rosenstock, Scott	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	F		4.	Business/Landscape, W	Montessor, Jen	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/Council
6	F		5.	Local Residential, SW	Lirman, Johanna	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	F		6.	Business/Landscape, E	van Geldern, Emily	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/Council
9	M		7.	Local Community, SE	Colley, Chris	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	M		8.	Development, SE	Germain, Stewart	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
6	M		9.	Local Community, NW	Johnson, Brian	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
6	F		10.	Local Business, NW	Bogert, Phoebe Erin	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/Council
6	F		11.	Design Professional, E	Gage, Gina	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	M		12.	Development, NW	Dijulio, Penn	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	M		13.	Business/Landscape, DT	Luoma, Aaron	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/Council
6	M		14.	Development, E	Bendix, Chris	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	M		15.	Development, NE	Gunter, Christian	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
1	M		16.	Local Community, SW	Cheng, John	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	M		17.	Design Professional, NE	Rusler, Dan	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	F		18.	Design Professional, W	Eckrich, Janell T.	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	M		19.	Local Community, W	Morefield, John	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	F		20.	Development, DT	Dagliano, Carey	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	M		21.	Business/Landscape, SW	Cobb, Patrick	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/Council
1	F		22.	Design Professional, SE	So, May	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Council
9	F		23.	Design Professional, NW	Watkins, Adrienne	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor

6	M		24.	Local Community, E	Haas, Andrew	4/4/2021	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	F		25.	Local Residential, NW	Rock, Lauren	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/Council
6	M		26.	Local Community, DT	Henderson, Jason	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	F		27.	Development, W	Ratray, Tiffany	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	M		28.	Local Residential, NE	Carter, Timothy	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/Council
6	M		29.	Design Professional, DT	Palushock, Ed	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	M		30.	Design Professional, SW	Grainger, Alan	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/Council
6	M		31.	Business/Landscape, SE	Bader, David	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/Council
6	M		32.	Local Residential, W	Farkas, Allan	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/Council
6	M		33.	Local Residential, E	Cannon, Michael R.	4/4/3021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/Council
6	M		34.	Local Residential, SE	Maier, Daniel	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/Council
6	F		35.	Business/Landscape, NE	Liss, Katharine	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/Council
6	F		36.	Get Engaged	Honig, Margaret	9/1/2020	8/31/2021	1	Mayor (SMC 3.51)
5	F		37.	Local Residential, CA	Khosla, Sharon	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
2	F		38.	Local Community, CA	Ingram, Ronquesha	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	M		39.	Design Professional, CA	Floor, Jeffrey	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
2	M		40.	Development, CA	Pleasant, Kenny	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
3	F		41.	Business/Landscape, CA	Garcia, Ana Cristina	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/Council
6	M		42.	Get Engaged	Stein, Connor	9/1/2020	8/31/2021	1	Mayor (SMC 3.51)

New Appointments

Re-appointments

Vacant

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	9	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	10	0	0	2
Council	8	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0
Joint	9	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	0	0	0
Total	26	16	0	0	2	2	2	0	1	33	0	0	2

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.