

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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## Journal of the Proceedings of the Seattle City Council

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

2:00 PM

**Council Chamber, City Hall**

**600 4th Avenue**

**Seattle, WA 98104**

**City Council**

*Sara Nelson, Council President*

*Joy Hollingsworth, Member*

*Robert Kettle, Member*

*Cathy Moore, Member*

*Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member*

*Maritza Rivera, Member*

*Rob Saka, Member*

*Mark Solomon, Member*

*Dan Strauss, Member*

*Chair Info: 206-684-8809; [Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov](mailto:Sara.Nelson@seattle.gov)*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on April 8, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Excused:** 2 - Solomon, Strauss

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Alex Tsimerman

Bennett Haselton

Howard Gale

Yvette Dinish

David Haines

**E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:**

[IRC 474](#)      **April 8, 2025**

**By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.**

**In Favor:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Opposed:** None

**F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

**Journal:****1. [Min 514](#) April 1, 2025**

**The Minutes (Min) were adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):**

**In Favor:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Opposed:** None

**Bills:****2. [CB 120964](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of March 24, 2025, through March 28, 2025, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Opposed:** None

**Appointments:****GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:****3. [Appt 03106](#) Appointment of Vivian Vassall as member, Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, for a term to December 31, 2027.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**

**In Favor:** 3 - Nelson, Rivera, Solomon

**Opposed:** None

**The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**

**In Favor:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Opposed:** None

**LAND USE COMMITTEE:**

- 4. [Appt 03110](#) **Appointment of Aaron D. Clark as member, Urban Forestry Commission, for a term to March 31, 2026.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**

**In Favor: 3 - Solomon, Rinck, Rivera**

**Opposed: None**

**The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**

**In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka**

**Opposed: None**

- 5. [Appt 03111](#) **Appointment of Drue Epping as member, Urban Forestry Commission, for a term to March 31, 2027.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**

**In Favor: 3 - Solomon, Rinck, Rivera**

**Opposed: None**

**The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**

**In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka**

**Opposed: None**

- 6. [Appt 03112](#) **Appointment of Melanie Ocasio as member, Urban Forestry Commission, for a term to March 31, 2027.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).**

**In Favor: 3 - Solomon, Rinck, Rivera**

**Opposed: None**

**The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:**

**In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka**

**Opposed: None**

- 7. [Appt 03113](#) Reappointment of Lia Hall as member, Urban Forestry Commission, for a term to March 31, 2027.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 3 - Solomon, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

- 8. [Appt 03114](#) Appointment of Lani Chang as member, Urban Forestry Commission, for a term to March 31, 2028.

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 3 - Solomon, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

## H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### LAND USE COMMITTEE:

1. [CF 314511](#) **Application of the University of Washington to prepare a new Major Institution Master Plan for the University of Washington Medical Center-Northwest Campus, located at 1550 N 115th Street (Project No. 3040282-LU; Type IV).**

**The Committee recommends that City Council grant as conditioned the Clerk File (CF).**

**In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Moore, Rinck, Rivera**

**Opposed: None**

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Moore, duly seconded and carried, to amend Clerk File 314511, the Findings, Conclusions, and Decision of the Seattle City Council, by amending condition MIO 4, and adding condition MIO 5, as shown in the strike through and underlined language below:

**MIO 4.** Amend the MIMP's Landscape and Open Space section to include a North Campus Edge bullet and language stating a minimum 20' landscaped setback from the north campus edge shall be provided, maintaining existing mature trees as to the greatest extent feasible as consistent with the tree protection provisions in SMC 25.11.080, and in consultation with the DAC.

**MIO 5.** Add the Urban Forestry Management Plan for the campus as an appendix to the MIMP.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded, to grant as amended Clerk File 314511.

**The Motion carried, the Clerk File (CF) was granted as conditioned by the following vote, and the President signed the Findings, Conclusions, and Decision of the City Council.**

**In Favor:** 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

**Opposed:** None

2. [CB 120963](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; adopting a new Major Institution Master Plan for the University of Washington Medical Center - Northwest Hospital; and amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at Page 14 of the Official Land Use Map, to modify height limits and rezone property within the Major Institution Overlay (Project Number 3040282-LU, Clerk File 314511).**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Moore, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

3. [CB 120771](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; adopting interim provisions to facilitate occupancy of street-level spaces in the Downtown, South Lake Union, and Uptown Urban Centers; adding a new Section 23.42.041 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 23.42.108, 23.48.005, 23.48.020, 23.48.040, 23.48.240, 23.48.740, 23.49.009, 23.49.011, 23.76.004, and 23.76.006, and Downtown Overlay Maps 1G and 1J in Chapter 23.49 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Solomon, Moore, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

4. [Res 32166](#) A RESOLUTION granting conceptual approval to install, maintain, and operate a pedestrian skybridge over and across 8th Avenue, north of Cherry Street; as proposed by FH, LLC d/b/a Skyline, in the First Hill neighborhood.

The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).

In Favor: 3 - Saka, Hollingsworth, Kettle

Opposed: None

The Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 7 - Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rinck, Rivera, Saka

Opposed: None

**I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were none.

**J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS**

There were none.

**K. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

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Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on April 15, 2025.

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Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council