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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 5 of Ordinance 125761 to establish new appointment terms for the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee and create additional positions on the Committee to expand representation.

WHEREAS, in January 2011, the Seattle City Council (Council) adopted Resolution 31264, establishing a set of Guiding Principles to inform efforts to create new parks and public spaces on the Central Waterfront, and creating the Central Waterfront Partnerships Committee (CWPC) to advise the City on the development of the waterfront design, ensuring robust and innovative public engagement, identifying public and private funding sources, and establishing the foundation for a lasting civic partnership; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 125761 in 2019, the Council dissolved and thanked the CWPC for their extensive volunteer efforts on the CWPC, as well as the Committee's invaluable advice and leadership in supporting the City's efforts to design, develop, and manage new public spaces on the Central Waterfront; and

WHEREAS, in the same ordinance the Council created the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee (CWOC), with whom the City and Friends are committed to coordinating with on long-term Operations Management Agreement for Waterfront Park and Public Spaces, establishing a Performance Standard for maintenance, programming, and public safety, and following up with regular evaluations and proposing corrections when needed to help ensure the Performance Standard is being met; and

WHEREAS, the CWOC consists of 19 mayoral and council appointed members, position numbers 1-19, and four ex officio members: the Directors of the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and Office

of the Waterfront and Civic Projects (OWCP), the Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) Superintendent, and the Seattle Police Department Chief of Police, or their successors, hold the four ex officio positions; and

WHEREAS, positions 1-6 consist of individuals with expertise from the labor, environmental and broader Seattle community as represented by Council Districts. Positions 7-14 are located within the Local Improvement District (LID) boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the CWOC shall exist and fulfill its duties for a period of not less than 20 years; and the term start date for appointments was December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, initial terms were set to three years for Positions 4-10 and two years for all others; all subsequent positions were to be two years, with the exception of Positions 15-19, which are permanent; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on the committee's ability to meet in 2020 leaving a desire to extend term dates for committee members by one year; and

WHEREAS, the operations and management of waterfront park is delegated to Seattle Center from Seattle Parks and Recreation and there is a need to add additional ex-officio positions to include Seattle Center and Friends of Waterfront Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the CWOC recognizes the involvement of the Port of Seattle on the waterfront and would like to add an additional position for the Port of Seattle to participate on the committee; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 5 of Ordinance 125761 is amended as follows:

Section 5. There is established the Central Waterfront Oversight Committee (Oversight Committee). This Committee shall advise and provide feedback to the City and Operating Partner on the operations and maintenance and safety and security of the Waterfront Park and Public Spaces that shall include maintenance, public safety, outreach, communications, partnerships, and programming and

activation. The Committee shall help ensure there is clear planning, coordination, and delivery of high-quality, public space management services, broad, inclusive programming and activation and a safe and inviting environment for pedestrians and visitors. The Committee shall also review and provide input on the Management Agreement that shall be developed between the City and Operating Partner. The Central Waterfront Steering Committee established by Resolution 31543 is dissolved, and this ordinance supersedes Resolution 31543. The Oversight Committee shall exist and fulfill its duties hereunder for a period of not less than 20 years.

A. The Committee shall consist of ~~((19))~~ 20 appointed members, appointed to position numbers 1 through ~~((19))~~ 20, and ~~((four))~~ six ex officio members: the Directors of SDOT and OWCP, the DPR Superintendent, ~~((and))~~ the Seattle Police Department Chief of Police, the Seattle Center Director, and the President of Friends of Waterfront Seattle, or their successors. Ex officio members may be represented at meetings by designees. Composition and appointment of the members shall be as follows:

<i>Representation</i>	<i>Position Number</i>	<i>Appointment</i>
Community At-Large Members	1-6	1, 3, and 5 by the Mayor; 2, 4, and 6 by City Council
<i>Those Within the LID Assessment Area</i>		
Residential Tenant	7	Mayor
Commercial Tenant	8	City Council
Owner of a Hotel Property	9	Mayor
Owner of a Condominium Property	10	City Council
Owner of a Residential Apartment Property	11	Mayor
Owner of an Office Property	12	City Council
Owner of a property on or within one block of Pike Street or Pine Street	13	Mayor
Owner of a Commercial / Retail Property	14	City Council
<i>Non-Profit With Expertise in Public Area Operations and Maintenance</i>		
Pike Place Market Public Development Authority	15	Executive Director (or designee)
Downtown Seattle Association / Metropolitan Improvement District	16	Chief Executive Officer (or designee)

Seattle Historic Waterfront Association	17	Executive Director (or designee)
Alliance for Pioneer Square	18	Executive Director (or designee)
Seattle Aquarium Society	19	Chief Executive Officer (or designee)
<i>Governmental Entities</i>		
<u>Port of Seattle</u>	<u>20</u>	Executive Director (or designee)

Positions 1-6 shall reside outside of the final local improvement district (LID) boundaries, as currently represented by the preliminary Central Waterfront LID Special Benefit Study and included in Attachment F to this ordinance and shall include individuals with expertise and perspectives from the labor, environmental and broader Seattle community as represented by Council Districts. Positions 7-14 shall be located within the final LID boundaries.

B. Initial terms shall be (~~three~~) four years for Positions 4-10 and two years for all others; thereafter all subsequent terms for those positions shall be two years. The terms for Positions 15-~~(19)~~ 20 shall be permanent. Terms shall start by December 31, 2019. Any vacancy in an unexpired or permanent term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A member whose term is ending may continue serving on an interim basis as a member with voting rights until such time as a successor for that position has been appointed by the Mayor or City Council.

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Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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