

August 1, 2017 Primary and Special Election

# King County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet



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# From the Director

Dear Friends,

I know that, from an elections perspective, last year was exhausting. The endless advertisements, the 24-hour news cycle, the sheer length of the campaigns. Still, 82% of King County voters turned out to make their voices heard. That's one of the highest rates in the country and we should be proud.

But here's the thing. This year is just as important. Our local elected officials make choices about what kind of community we want to be. Our local ballot measures determine whether or not your child's school gets new equipment, how quickly the fire department is able to respond, and whether or not there are increases in your taxes. Local elections matter, and in many cases only about a third of the people are making the decisions. We have to do better.

There are 335 offices subject to election this fall, from city council and school board seats, to state legislative races and public hospital commissionerships. I want every single one of you to have a voice in those important choices. I'm also asking even more of you. I'm asking you to be an advocate for democracy. Encourage your friends to vote, inspire your neighbors to read their voters' pamphlet, remind strangers to return their ballot, drive your family crazy with your passion for voting.

The good news is that we here at King County Elections are always working to make it easier for you to exercise your civic duty. There will be 10 more ballot drop boxes available for this election and more coming all the time. Thank you for the opportunity to serve and please remember to return your ballot by August 1.

  
Julie Wise, Director

## Reading the local voters' pamphlet



**Why are there measures in the local voters' pamphlet that are not on my ballot?**

The measures on your ballot reflect the districts in which you are registered to vote. The local voters' pamphlet may cover multiple districts and include measures outside of your districts.

**What is the order of candidates in the local voters' pamphlet?**

Candidates in the local voters' pamphlet appear in the order they will appear on the ballot.

**Are candidate statements fact checked before they are published?**

No. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements, and we print them exactly as they are received (including any potential errors). We ask candidates to use their statement to let voters know why they should vote for them and to avoid criticism of opponents.

Candidate statement word limits are based upon the number of registered voters within each district.

**What is an explanatory statement?**

A ballot measure explanatory statement is prepared by the district's attorney; it outlines the effect the ballot measure would have if passed into law.

**How are committees in favor of or in opposition to a measure formed?**

Districts choosing to participate in a local voters' pamphlet are responsible for appointing committee members who agree to write statements.

The statements are a way to persuade voters to vote for or against a measure. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements, and prints them exactly as they are received.

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Contact us to receive your voting materials in Chinese, Korean, Spanish or Vietnamese.

如需獲取您的中文投票資訊，請聯絡金郡選舉部。

Comuníquese con nosotros para recibir sus materiales de votación en Español.

한국어로 투표자료를 받으시려면 저희에게 연락하세요.

Xin vui lòng liên lạc với Bộ Bầu cử Quận King để nhận tài liệu bầu cử bằng tiếng Việt.

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King County Elections

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King County Elections is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Voter Registration Annex\*

King County Administration Building

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Seattle, WA 98104

The Voter Registration Annex is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\*Please note, this location only provides services associated with voter registration.

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## Requirements

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States;
- A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day;
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order; and
- Not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington State felony conviction.

## How to register

- Register online with the Secretary of State, [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov).
- Download a registration form from the King County Elections website.
- Register in person at the King County Elections office or at the Voter Registration Annex.

## Registration deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines before each election. The deadlines for the August 1, 2017, Primary Election are:

- **July 3** – Deadline for online and mail-in voter registration, address change and other updates.
- **July 24** – Deadline for people not currently registered in Washington State (in-person only).

## Keep your voter registration current

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply update your information online or submit a new registration form.

## Visit our Voter Registration Annex

King County Elections offers convenient, in-person service in downtown Seattle for voter registration-related matters only.

### Services offered:

- Register to vote
- Update your address or name
- Get a voter registration card
- Get help with address issues
- Cancel a voter registration

### Services **not** offered:

- Get a replacement ballot
- Return voted ballots
- Resolve signature challenges
- Vote at an Accessible Voting Center
- Get maps or data files
- File to be a candidate

For these services contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

# Ballot drop boxes

Return your ballot without using a stamp or the U.S. Postal Service at a ballot drop box.

<b>Auburn</b>	Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S, 98002 Muckleshoot Tribe - Philip Starr Building, 39015 172nd Ave SE, 98092
<b>Bellevue</b>	Bellevue Regional Library, 1111 110th Ave NE, 98004 Crossroads Shopping Center (south entrance), 15600 NE 8th St, 98008
<b>Bothell</b>	Bothell City Hall, 18415 101st Ave NE, 98011
<b>Burien</b>	City of Burien - Town Square Park (corner of 5th Ave SW and SW 152nd St), 400 SW 152nd St, 98166
<b>Covington</b>	Covington Library, 27100 164th Ave SE, 98042
<b>Des Moines</b>	* Highline College (entrance across from 27th Ave S), 2400 S 240th St, 98198
<b>Enumclaw</b>	Enumclaw Library, 1700 1st St, 98022
<b>Fall City</b>	Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024
<b>Federal Way</b>	Federal Way City Hall, 33325 8th Ave S, 98003
<b>Issaquah</b>	Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, 98027
<b>Kenmore</b>	Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028
<b>Kent</b>	Kentridge High School, 12430 SE 208th St, 98031 Regional Justice Center (near parking garage entrance), 401 4th Ave N, 98032
<b>Kirkland</b>	Kingsgate Library, 12315 NE 143rd St, 98034 Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Ave, 98033
<b>Lake Forest Park</b>	Lake Forest Park City Hall, 17425 Ballinger Way NE, 98155
<b>Maple Valley</b>	Hobart Food Market, 20250 276th Ave SE, 98038 * Tahoma School District Building, 25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Rd SE, 98038
<b>Mercer Island</b>	Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St, 98040
<b>Pacific</b>	Algona-Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd, 98047
<b>Redmond</b>	* Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th St, 98052
<b>Renton</b>	Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave SE, 98058 * King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, 98057 * Renton Public Health Center, 3201 NE 7th St, 98056
<b>Sammamish</b>	Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Ave SE, 98075
<b>SeaTac</b>	Valley View Library, 17850 Military Rd S, 98188
<b>Shoreline</b>	Shoreline Library, 345 NE 175th St, 98155
<b>Snoqualmie</b>	Snoqualmie Library, 7824 Center Boulevard SE, 98065
<b>Tukwila</b>	* Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave S, 98168

Ballot drop boxes open 24 hours a day beginning July 13.  
Ballot drop boxes close on election day, August 1, at 8 p.m.

Vashon Vashon Library, 17210 Vashon Highway SW, 98070

Woodinville Woodinville Library, 17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072

### Seattle drop boxes:

Ballard Branch Library, Corner of NW 57th St and 22nd Ave NW, 98107

Beacon Hill Library, 2821 Beacon Ave S, 98144

Boulevard Park Library, 12015 Roseberg Ave S, 98168

Broadview Library, 12755 Greenwood Ave N, 98133

Chinatown-International District, Uwajimaya, 619 6th Ave S, 98104

Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St, 98122

Green Lake Community Center, 7201 E Green Lake Dr N, 98115

High Point Library, 3411 SW Raymond St, 98126

King County Administration Building, 500 4th Ave, 98104

Lake City Library, 12501 28th Ave NE, 98125

\* Magnolia Park, 1461 Magnolia Blvd W, 98199

NewHolly Campus of Learners, 7054 32nd Ave S, 98118

Rainier Beach Community Center, 8825 Rainier Ave S, 98118

Rainier Community Center, 4600 38th Ave S, 98118

Seattle Central College, Broadway-Edison Building (northeast corner), 1701 Broadway, 98122

Skyway Library, 12601 76th Ave S, 98178

South Park Library, 8604 8th Ave S, 98108

University of Washington Campus, Schmitz Hall (by north entrance on NE 41st St), 1400 NE Campus Parkway, 98105

White Center Library, 1409 SW 107th St, 98146

*\* Drive-up ballot drop boxes*

 **We will be adding more boxes!** Visit our website at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections) for more locations.

## Mail your ballot

You can vote and return your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service as soon as you receive it.  
**Mailed ballots require a first class stamp and must be postmarked by August 1.**

Voting by mail is a convenient option for most people. There are other options available.

### Online Ballot Marking Program

- Any registered voter can use the online ballot marking program.
- Voters with disabilities can mark their choices on the ballot online. The online ballot marking program has been designed specifically to enable blind and vision-impaired voters to cast a private ballot.
- If a voter’s ballot is damaged or lost, voters may mark their ballot on a computer, print it out, and return it by fax, standard mail, or email before the 8 p.m. election day deadline.
- Overseas and service voters may request to permanently receive their ballot using this program.

### Accessible Voting Centers

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment are available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot. Mail ballots can also be dropped off at any accessible voting center, when open.

Locations	Hours of operation
<b>King County Elections Office</b> 919 SW Grady Way, Renton, 98057	Weekdays, July 12 – July 31 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Election Day, August 1 8:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.
<b>Washington Talking Book &amp; Braille Library</b> 2021 9th Ave, Seattle, 98121	Wednesday, July 19, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
<b>Kingsgate Library</b> 12315 NE 143rd St, Kirkland, 98034	Tuesday, July 25, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.
<b>Seattle Central Library</b> 1000 4th Ave, Seattle, 98104	Wednesday, July 26, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.
<b>Black Diamond Library</b> 24707 Roberts Dr, Black Diamond, 98010	Thursday, July 27, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.
<b>Bellevue City Hall</b> 450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue, 98004	Election Day, August 1 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
<b>Union Station</b> 401 S Jackson St, Seattle, 98104	



Title	Duties	Term (years)	Salary (2017)
State Senator (elected by voters in the legislative district)	Confirms appointments made by the governor Enacts or reject legislation affecting public policy in the state. Provides for the levy and collection of taxes and other revenue. Appropriates funds.	4	\$46,839
King County Executive (elected by voters in King County)	Responsible for the implementation of council/ commission policies and the day-to-day administration of county government functions and services.	4	\$225,871
Port of Seattle Commissioner (elected by voters in King County)	Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port. Establishes port policy.	4	\$46,839
City Mayor (elected by voters in the city)	Works with the city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.	4	Varies by city (check with them directly)
City Council Position (elected by voters in the city)	Approves the city's budget. Develops laws and policies. Oversees public services.	4	Varies by city (check with them directly)
School District Director/Position (elected by voters in the school district <sup>1</sup> )	Sets policies for schools. Provides oversight for the operations of the school system. Represents the interests of the community on public education issues.	4	No annual salary
Public Hospital Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.	6	No annual salary

<sup>1</sup> *Seattle School District No. 1 director districts are only voted on by voters within each director district for the primary election. In the general election, these districts are voted at-large (district wide) by all registered voters in Seattle School District No. 1.*

## About the Washington Primary Election

In each race, you may vote for any one candidate listed.

The two candidates who receive the most votes in the primary will advance to the general election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers.

A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

More about the Top 2 Primary at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov).

## State Senator

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(Prefers Democratic Party)

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**Elected Experience:** Appointed to the State Senate in 2016, first run for public office

**Other Professional Experience:** Former Executive Director, Puget Sound Sage; Community Liaison, Congressman Jim McDermott; and Union Organizer, SEIU Local 6

**Education:** BA, Theology and Humanities, Seattle University

**Community Service:** Currently serves as a board member with the Rainier Beach Action Coalition and the Fair Work Center. Formerly served as a board member with the Alliance for Jobs and Clean Energy, the Washington Environmental Council and the Latino Community Fund of Washington.

**Statement:** I am honored to serve our diverse and vibrant community in Olympia. I grew up in Delridge and raise my family in Rainier Beach – I am deeply connected to our community and committed to ensuring everyone has a strong voice.

From working as a union organizer, to a nonprofit leader and now as your state senator, I have dedicated my career to working for economic, social and racial justice. This session we made progress for women, families and workers. I'm proud of the work we've accomplished, but we still have so much more to do.

My priorities are to focus on affordable housing, a transportation system that works for all of us, and a fair economy that holds the wealthiest among us accountable – and ensures investments in the services that make our community strong, like public education, infrastructure and our local small businesses.

I look forward to working with you to move our community - and our state - forward. Thank you for your support. I am proudly endorsed by: Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal, Seattle City Councilmember Lorena González, Former State Senator Adam Kline, 37th District Democrats, Washington State Labor Council, National Women's Political Caucus, and hundreds of community members.

King County  
Elections does not  
correct punctuation,  
grammar, or fact  
check candidate and  
measure statements.

## Executive



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**Education:** University educated in Germany, Sweden, and America. Earned Bachelor's and Master's Degrees with Economic minors

**Occupation:** Part owner: Boeing, Microsoft, PacCar, Disney, Irobot, Orbital, Southwest, etc.

**Statement:** Abolishing the minimum wage will create jobs, jobs, and more jobs and a fantastic future.

As usual, as a small spending/small tax, perennial candidate running against big spending/big tax perennial incumbents, I, GoodSpaceGuy, am advocating for a better orbital space program and a peoples' technological living standard that soars up into the sky.

We should allow the economy to create jobs for everyone who is willing to work. We should move away from the hugely out-of-balance Command Economy and its destructive minimum wage.

We should move towards the voluntary, competitive, prosperity-producing Free Market Economy.

More jobs help produce solutions. Jobs are solutions! Stop killing jobs. Also let's transform King County into a clean and beautiful parking paradise in which King County becomes a good home for many industries, including the space industry and the fantasy-of-film industry.

Problem people have difficulty finding, getting, and keeping jobs. The job destroying minimum wages seem to say, "Problem people, you may not work! You will earn zero dollars per hour."

The minimum wage of the Command Economy forbids problem people working. Bad things happen. Employers refuse to hire problem people. Homelessness, misery, begging, trash, and crime increase. The homeless get wet and cold in the trashy, winter rain.

After we abolish the minimum wage, problem people can increase their earnings. Work produces worker wealth and skill, an upward path. As it becomes easier to get jobs, problem people can help make King County clean, beautiful, and great again. Let's declare the job destroying minimum wage to be unconstitutional.

To decrease homelessness, begging, welfare, and crime, please defend the right of problem people to sell their faulty labor at their individual low market rates. Elect GoodSpaceGuy as your next King County Executive. Go Seahawks! Go Mariners!

## Dow Constantine

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**Education:** University of Washington BA, MA Urban Planning, JD; West Seattle High School

**Occupation:** King County Executive; former Legislator; Attorney; Planner

**Statement:** Whether you just arrived here, or your family has lived here for generations, this is your place. You belong here. My work as Executive for our dynamic, growing region is dedicated to the idea that every one of us should be able to fulfill our potential and, in doing so, give back to the community that made it possible. Here, in King County, we have what it takes to make the American promise of equal opportunity and boundless possibility real for all people.

The voter-approved Best Starts for Kids helps young families through some of life's toughest challenges, nurturing the next generation and keeping kids on a path to success. Investing in prevention and alternatives, we reduced youth incarceration 75% over 20 years. Partnering with Planned Parenthood, we increased access to women's health, and reduced teen pregnancy countywide by 55% in just eight years.

Growth brings opportunity, but also challenges. To restore mobility I've led investments like rebuilding the South Park Bridge, expanding passenger ferry service, and extending Sound Transit light rail north, south, east and west. To protect the Northwest we love, I've held the line on sprawl, preserved farmlands and forests, and set ambitious targets to save our remaining open space, and fight the threat of climate change.

We're tackling the homelessness and housing crises through immediate investments in affordable housing, emergency shelter with innovative services, and targeted tax relief for low-income seniors. I've proposed a renewed, expanded Veterans, Seniors and Human Services levy with the goal that no one who served our country, and no one who built this region, will become homeless.

I love this place where I was raised, and where we're raising our little daughter. I'm determined to keep it prosperous, inclusive, and sustainable for generations to come, and would appreciate your vote.

## Executive

## Bill Hirt

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**Education:** BS and MS Engineering Iowa State University

**Occupation:** Retired after 36 years at Boeing

**Statement:** My candidacy's an attempt to attract attention to my blog <http://stopeastlinknow.blogspot.com> detailing County Executive Constantine's Sound Transit "Prop 1 and Beyond" light rail debacle. I have no expectation or desire to win and will not seek nor accept any financial support.

Sound Transit violated the RCW when they refused to consider lower cost alternatives to their light rail "spine" along I-5 corridor and across I-90 Bridge. They could have eased congestion years ago attracting thousands more transit riders adding parking with access to BRT routes along limited access lanes on both corridors. A hundred such routes could have added 10,000 riders a day.

Sound Transit could spend ST3 funds expediting light rail extensions to Ballard and West Seattle as a "reward" for their 70% support. Instead they'll spend it on a "spine" routed through the DSTT; limiting capacity to the point the vast majority of the \$54 billion will be spent on Central Link extensions that'll do absolutely nothing to ease congestion on I-5. On I-90 they'll spend \$3.6B for East Link's one 4-car train every 8 minutes. Even ST claims, at best, it will "reduce" daily bridge traffic from 160,000 to 159,500 vehicles.

By comparison they could've added outer roadway lanes for non-transit HOV and BRT on center roadway years ago. The 100 bus routes there could've also replaced 10,000 vehicles, reducing congestion not only on the bridge, but along the entire I-90 corridor. Money spent on East Link could've provided thousands of additional P&R stalls. Instead ST will permanently close the bridge center roadway this summer without ever demonstrating outer roadways can accommodate current vehicle traffic let alone future growth; inevitably resulting in gridlock.

While my candidacy "likely" won't stop ST plans, it'll tell what to expect and that it didn't have to happen.

## Stan Lippmann

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**Education:** BS, Physics, NYU (1981) MA, Physics, JHU (1984). PhD., Physics, JHU (1989). JD, UW (1998).

**Occupation:** Physics Teacher

**Statement:** In reviewing my past voter pamphlet statements, I am reminded that a thought has no social reality if it is never expressed. Twenty years ago, as a UW Law Student, I was motivated to run for Mayor of Seattle to make the public aware of mass vaccination risks. By 2000, when I ran for Attorney General, I had expanded my platform to be as general as possible. In 2001, I proposed a 200 mile inductrack maglev monorail to solve our transportation and housing affordability problems. Running 14 times for various offices has allowed me to express my thoughts under the belief that is how social reality is constructed. So now is the time to elect me and together we will be able to realize a Cornucopian outlook: that if you can read this, you can achieve independence and wealth within a rejuvenated society, led by a County Executive with a plan to get us back on the path to general prosperity. Under State and County Authorities, as Executive I will propose to the County Council the establishment of King County Power Authority as a countywide Public Utility District. The immediate project is to build a 1 GW solar farm east of the Cascades. Parcels will be sold to county residents at a profit, to fund the County and the organic growth of the farm to 12 GW in size. The County will be largely solar powered at that point and able to fund itself with its portion of the solar farm. The time is now since solar is about to become cheaper than Bonneville wholesale rates. As a pilot project for the maglev, the Seattle Monorail can be upgraded with the same technology the Hyperloop One is developing. Visit <http://www.execustan.com>

Commissioner Position No. 1



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**Education:** Associate of Arts & Sciences - Northwest Indian College  
**Occupation:** Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison, Former State Senator  
**Statement:** Like other governments, the Port of Seattle belongs to the citizens. I am running for the Port of Seattle Commission to bring much needed transparency and accountability, thoughtful leadership and integrity to that most important local government. I am deeply concerned about recent reports detailing unlawful bonuses authorized by the Port of Seattle Commission, and all of the costly lawsuits that could have been avoided, and decisions made behind closed doors. Let's give the Port of Seattle back to the people.

King County taxpayers deserve the kind of thoughtful leadership that I intend to bring to the Port. It is time to move past the bad decisions, get the Port's house in order, and focus on growing family wage jobs, protecting, preserving, and enhancing our environment, and serving the taxpayers with integrity, and make decisions that are in the best interest of taxpayers.

It's time for a new direction

I will bring a new direction and a fresh perspective on Port of Seattle Commission. I served in the State Senate and worked with both parties on the Transportation, Trade & Economic Development Committees and worked to enhance small business loan programs promoted export businesses.

My priorities include creating family wage jobs. We must protect and grow jobs in maritime, aviation, tourism, fishing and international trade. One third of our jobs are trade related - our Port is an engine for economic growth for our state! Our environment is an economic asset. The Port must be a national leader in reducing emissions, limiting noise and other pollution.

**Endorsements:** Noel Frame, Larry Gossett, Debora Juarez, Pete Lewis, Sharon Maeda, Debbie Ranniger, Dolores Sibonga, Velma Veloria

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**Education:** Master's in Engineering, MIT - Zaragoza International Logistics Program. Bachelor's in Business, George Washington University

**Occupation:** Strategic Planning Program Manager, The Port of Seattle

**Statement:** Bea is an engineer, a nonprofit community leader, and a champion for change to systems that are ineffective and inefficient. She is the only candidate in the race that has direct Port of Seattle operations experience, who understands the inner workings of the Port organization, and can instantly connect the impact of policy decisions, which helps to effectively serve the public. Bea is interested in not only driving innovation at a policy level but also challenging a political system that will enable more women and underrepresented communities to have a voice in government.

Her approach to problem solving comes from her 12+ year career in aerospace and transportation, and is that person who will rollup her sleeves, put politics aside, and tackle the core of issues. She's eager to contribute a fresh perspective and energy to address the complex supply chain, logistics, and transportation challenges in our region.

If elected as Port Commissioner, her commitment to increasing the number quality jobs and relevant training is parallel to *developing a plan to get ahead of high-tech innovations that will impact transportation and trade in the Puget Sound, such as: space commercialization, high-speed rail (maglev), unmanned cargo aircraft, and terminal operations' modernization* among other trending logistics and transportation systems. She also believes in the power of transparency and will *establish an Open Data policy* such that King County constituents are empowered and inspired to launch more startups, as well as protecting and promoting agriculture, fishing, and maritime industries. She advocates for environment sustainability and supports the promotion of ecotourism to visitors.

Bea is dedicated to improving transportation, trade, and logistics but she also enjoys balancing life by cooking Filipino and Spanish food for family and friends, and backpacking in the Pacific Northwest.

To keep this region beautiful and thriving, *elect Bea.*

## Commissioner Position No. 1

## Ryan Calkins

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**Education:** M.A. International Relations, Yale University; B.A., Willamette University

**Occupation:** Small business owner; Nonprofit professional serving women and minority-owned businesses

**Statement:** With our vote, Ryan Calkins will work for transparency and ethics, environmental sustainability, and economic growth to support every member of our community. Raised in the area by a public school teacher and a small business owner, Ryan brings a needed combination of integrity, work ethic and progressive values to the Port of Seattle Commission.

With over a decade of experience leading importing and manufacturing businesses, Ryan worked directly with shipping operations at the Port. Under his leadership, the import company was named one of Seattle's Greenest Businesses by Seattle City Light in 2015, serving as a model for sustainable practices across the country.

A public school dad, civic leader, and former international human rights worker, Ryan will stand up for the rights of immigrants and refugees who pass through our airport. As a strong voice for the environment, he will modernize port equipment to reduce emissions that harm air quality in the communities around the airport and seaport.

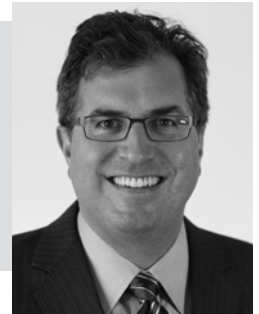
Ryan worked his way through school as a member of Teamsters Local 38. As a business owner, he supported \$15 Now, the statewide minimum wage, and efforts to expand paid leave. He will protect and expand family wage jobs, create opportunities for women and minority-owned small businesses at the Port, and push for increased unionization of Port workers.

In light of recent scandals, Ryan believes that the next Port CEO must be committed above all else to the ethical and transparent management of this important public enterprise. Taxpayers deserve to know how their resources are being invested, and need those investments to improve our economy, environment, and quality of life.

*Ryan has earned the endorsement of the 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 36th and 46th District Democrats and over 100 elected Democratic officials, business, labor, and environmental leaders across our county.*

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**Education:** Interlake High School, Bellevue; BA and MA, International Relations, Johns Hopkins University; JD, Columbia University

**Occupation:** Business Attorney, Seattle Port Commissioner

**Statement:** Since being elected to the Seattle Port Commission, I have worked to keep the Port strong as a regional jobs creation engine, while making it a more publicly accountable, environmentally sustainable operation.

First and foremost, the Port should be an economic engine for the region. I have worked to make sure our airport, cargo facilities, cruise and fishing terminals and marinas create family wage jobs in the Puget Sound. In 2015, we launched the Northwest Seaport Alliance, our cooperative agreement with the Port of Tacoma, strengthening the competitive position of Puget Sound container ports and growing cargo and jobs. Sea-Tac is now the ninth busiest airport in the country with over 45 million passengers traveling through our airport in 2016. We are proud to be home to the North Pacific Fishing Fleet, which accounts for 40% of the domestic seafood consumed in the US.

At the same time, I have worked to make the Port of Seattle one of the most environmentally friendly ports in the world. In fact, the Port of Seattle offers the lowest carbon footprint for cargo shipped by sea from Asia to major markets in the Midwest and East Coast. I also continue to work with the airline industry to make Sea-Tac the first US airport with biofuel capability at all terminals.

Our Port can continue to be an economic driver in our region, set an example for environmental leadership and be accountable for your tax dollars. I'm excited to continue this work as your commissioner for the Port of Seattle.

Endorsed: Washington Conservation Voters, King County Democrats, Martin Luther King County Labor Council, Sailors Union of the Pacific, Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Lieutenant Governor Cyrus Habib, Former US EPA Director Bill Ruckelshaus, Mayors Nancy Backus, Suzette Cooke and Leanne Guier and many more.

Commissioner Position No. 3



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**Education:** BA, Communications, UW; MA, Public Administration, Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, UW

**Occupation:** Customer service, PSE; former Sustainability Specialist, KCHA; Conservation Director, SPU

**Statement:** For nearly a decade Seattleites have watched one CEO after another leave the Port under less than favorable circumstances. I am running to make your voice heard, rebuild the reputation of the Port, protect jobs and take action to secure both our seaport and airport without infringing on your privacy rights or subjecting you to unreasonable searches.

I'm committed to promoting more inclusive, transparent engagement in the Port's decision-making processes, unlike what happened when the Shell Oil lease decision was decided. By demanding and holding evening Commission meetings the public will gain a voice in these decisions, ultimately creating commissioner accountability.

The Port should continue to create and protect family wage jobs with full benefits, especially in the face of increasing calls for cargo automation. Environmentally friendly businesses create long-term jobs, while preserving and restoring Puget Sound.

As Port Commissioner, I will increase the number of minority owned business partnerships, especially at Sea-Tac. Historically, Commission seats have not been held by people of color which may explain this inequity. I will also be open to discussing the creation of a community supported professional sports arena. I'll advocate for equitable funding and environmentally responsible construction at all Port properties. In addition, I'll ensure that a more thorough and expedient cleaning up of the Duwamish River is implemented.

Port operations should be paid by those benefiting from them, such as cruise ship companies. We are becoming too dependent on an industry with a spotty record for health, safety and clean air/water practices.

Port Commissioners need policy expertise, as well as experience building alliances. I have both from my education and my former employment responsibilities.

Please vote for me to ensure that the Port's Century Agenda is fulfilled. I will provide common sense to the Port of Seattle Commission.

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**Education:** Seattle Central College

**Occupation:** Outreach Manager, Fair Work Center

**Statement:** Living here in King County with my wife and children, I am passionate about protecting working people's rights and our environment. As a refugee from violence and civil war in Somalia, I would lay awake at night in a Kenyan refugee camp believing that anyone who comes here and works hard can achieve the American Dream.

Now, as a proud citizen of this country who has gone from working in a chicken processing factory to college, I'm running for Port Commissioner because it's clear that the Port and many current commissioners are blocking the road to the American Dream for many others.

Port Commissioners fought against providing paid sick leave, job protections and a \$15 minimum wage for thousands of airport workers. They voted to let the Shell Oil drilling platform into our beautiful Puget Sound. They don't think twice about replacing family wage union jobs with interns or looking the other way when Port staff and the CEO don't follow the rules.

These are not King County's or America's values. I believe that people who work hard deserve a fair wage, that we all have a right to clean water and clean air, and that everyone- especially public officials - should play by the rules. I will fight hard to represent the voices of working people and the communities directly impacted by the Port's pollution. And I will hold our public Port of Seattle accountable to the public.

I am proud to be endorsed by leaders like State Senator Rebecca Saldana, and State Senator Bob Hasegawa, Democrats like the 32nd, 36th and 46th LD Democrats, and unions like Teamsters 117. Community Service: Seattle Housing Authority Board Commissioner; Somali Community Services

## Commissioner Position No. 3

### Stephanie Bowman

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**Education:** Seattle University, M.B.A., Executive Leadership; University of Idaho, Bachelor of Science; American Marshall Fellowship

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Washington ABC, statewide non-profit helping economically-disadvantaged families

**Statement:** The Port of Seattle is an engine of our economy and a critical West Coast transportation hub. The jobs and infrastructure of our Port serve people and businesses across the globe, and must always be good partners with taxpayers, workers, and communities throughout our region.

I've made it my goal to position the Port for economic success, environmental stewardship, and leadership in social equity. In order to protect and grow middle class jobs on our waterfront, I led the creation of the historic partnership with the Port of Tacoma. Together we will collaborate, rather than compete, to keep cargo and jobs in our region, rather than Canada or Los Angeles.

I spearheaded the creation of an innovative internship program, in partnership with industry and Seattle Public Schools, providing hundreds of disadvantaged youth with well-paid internships, so they gain exposure to potential careers.

I support a \$15 minimum wage for Port workers and job-training and apprenticeship programs so workers can advance their careers. I've worked to ensure the future of the Alaska fishing fleet, so the next generation of fishing vessels is built in Washington. I've focused on Port sustainability, working to bring aviation bio-fuels to Sea-Tac Airport, cleaning up stormwater on marine terminals, and fighting for oil train safety for our communities.

There is more to be done, especially as we address wage disparities, transportation challenges, and increased global competition. We must also ensure that our Port remains a global port of entry, open to people from all over the world.

I would be honored to have your support to continue this work.

*Sole Endorsements: Washington Conservation Voters; Port of Seattle Firefighters; King County Labor Council; Building Trades; Women's Political Caucus; Longshoreman's and Sailors Union of the Pacific; Democratic organizations; dozens of local mayors; and community leaders throughout King County*



Commissioner Position No. 4



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**Education:** Master's, Finance & Marketing; Bachelor's, Business Administration; Bachelor's, Economics; Graduate Degree, International Trade

**Occupation:** Deputy Public Affairs Administrator, City of Renton

**Statement:** *I have been honored to work in public service for 25 years and I will ensure that the Port serves the best interests of all in King County.*

**Economy** - I will strengthen our regional economy and maintain our leadership role in the aviation, maritime, and tourism industries. I will promote economic inclusion, supporting opportunities for small businesses. And I will work so that everyone benefits from growth at the airport and seaport.

**Jobs** - I will sustain and create family-wage jobs in our community, building career pathways for young people so they can get good-paying jobs and support their families. I have worked with our colleges to develop job-training programs that help people prepare for jobs and ensure businesses have enough qualified employees.

**Environment** - I helped to introduce Seattle's Climate Protection Initiative, and its conservation and recycling programs. I will work to minimize the environmental impacts of the growth at Sea-Tac Airport. I will support programs to make our airport the first in the nation to provide biofuel so we can protect our planet and our airport communities even as we grow.

**Inclusion** - I will represent our region in the national immigration debate so that federal policies support our community values and all are welcomed here.

**Partnerships** - I will bring strong existing relationships with all the cities in King County, as well as businesses and community organizations.

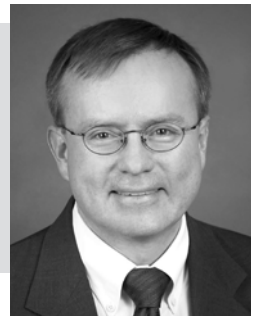
**Accountability** - No more headlines questioning the propriety of Port decisions. I will make sure decisions are open and transparent. My door will be open and I will personally respond to every inquiry from you.

I would be honored to serve you. I ask for your vote.

**Endorsements:** 33rd District Democrats; the mayors of Redmond, Renton, Kent, Auburn, and Covington; Leaders from the Indian, Somali, and African-American communities.

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**Education:** University of Washington, JD Law; Excelsior College, BA Economics; University of Tennessee, Graduate Studies Economics

**Occupation:** Attorney, Small Business Owner, Devoted Parent, and Concerned Citizen

**Statement:** *Let's Abolish the Unfair \$72.0 Million Port Property Tax Levy!*

This year, King County property owners are being taxed *\$72.0 Million* to subsidize the Port of Seattle. Since 2002, this unfair property tax levy has *more than doubled*. Why should working families and senior citizens be drained, just to subsidize international shipping companies and privileged Port contractors?

Other major ports don't tax the people, but give money back to the people. Our biggest rivals, Los Angeles and Vancouver BC, give back over \$100 million annually to support local governments. With over \$5 billion in net assets, the Port of Seattle can also give back to help the people, and stop taking such an enormous subsidy.

Unfortunately, the Port of Seattle has failed to effectively manage its investments. With the cushion of a property tax subsidy, it simply hasn't been forced to do so. Most people know that the Port runs the airport, seaport, and cruise terminal, but it also manages four conference centers, six office and commercial developments, a system of nineteen parks, and a police department nearly as large as the entire City of Renton force. International trade and commercial aviation should be profitable, instead of senselessly wasting our tax dollars.

We need to trim and reform overbloated and inefficient Port management. The Port CEO makes \$350,000 annually, over twice the Governor's salary! Hundreds of top executives have comfortable six-figure salaries. Controversial leases and contracts have been awarded with very little debate or public scrutiny. Year after year, the Port faces divisive scandals, illegal payouts, and disastrous performance audits. We need to reform *our Port* and make it financially accountable and self-supporting!

I am an ordinary citizen, small business owner, and a concerned and devoted parent. I would be honored to have your vote and support in this election.

## Commissioner Position No. 4



## Brooks Salazar

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**Statement:** *Community Service:* Martin Luther King County Labor Council; 34th Legislative District Democrats; Laurelhurst PTA; Labor for Latin American Advancement; Association of Latino Professionals for America; King County Young Democrats

My grandfather, a migrant worker, taught me about hard work, accountability, integrity and responsibility as we cut asparagus side by side in the fields of Yakima. Now, decades later, I'm ready to bring these values to the Port. With your vote, I will be the first Latino Commissioner at the Port of Seattle.

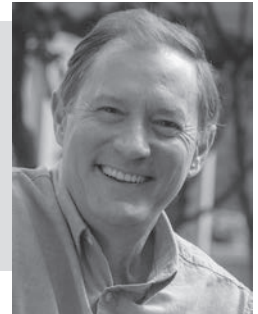
Living in West Seattle with my family, I can hear our harbor humming and our airport buzzing with activity. These economic engines are critical parts of our communities, and they are a driving force of income for some - but not for all. Many men and women working long hours at hard jobs at the port are still struggling to support their families. Many of them live in communities close to the harbor and airport, where they are exposed to greater than average air and water pollution.

As Port Commissioner, I will work to ensure our port and airport are vibrant, environmentally sustainable economic engines benefiting everyone in King County, not just the big corporations making profits at our docks and terminals. I will implement checks and balances, not sign blank checks for whatever the Port wants. I will support a Sodo Sports Arena as long as it's privately funded because our hard-earned taxes should be used for schools, roads, and addressing growth and infrastructure. As Port Commissioner, I will bring my grandfather's values of hard work, accountability, responsibility, and integrity to the Port of Seattle.

**Endorsed by:** King County Council President Joe McDermott, 31st and 32nd LD Democrats, Iron Workers 86, Washington State Employees Union 304 and 308, Interpreters United, Heat and Frost Workers Local 7.

## Peter Steinbrueck

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**Statement:** I will open wide the Port's doors to transparency, insist on strictest ethics and full accountability. No more illegal pay raises and hiring blunders!

It's about good jobs, good governance, and greening the port. For our state's largest port to remain globally competitive, public policy and investment must align, and we must have greater confidence in its governance. My top goal: create more equitable, living wage jobs. The Port's shipping facilities, along with our iconic Pacific fishing fleet at Fisherman's terminal, provide over 70,000 stable, living wage jobs in our region. Cruise ships draw nearly a million passengers yearly.

The Port and its partners must do more to extend their reach into underserved communities and provide job training and equitable employment opportunities.

I will work hard to increase the Port's commitment to environmental protections for reducing noise, air pollution, improving water quality, and impacts to surrounding communities. SeaTac airport is one of the fastest growing airports nationwide, but it's noise and air pollution impacts are fast growing too. It's time to begin studies for another regional airport, and promote quieter jets and cleaner jet fuels. The Port must lead on climate!

I will bring strong, principled, and experienced leadership to the port commission, as my active engagement in community and 10 years on the Seattle City Council demonstrate. I will work with governments throughout Washington for better planning, sustainable development, and a more environmentally friendly region. I'll prioritize improving relations with communities and local governments.

**Endorsed by:** 32nd Democrats, Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Lt. Governor Cyrus Habib, Sen. Reuven Carlyle, Reps. Judy Clibborn (Mercer Island), Joan McBride (Kirkland), Tina Orwall (Des Moines), Gerry Pollet, Hon. Conrad Lee (Bellevue), Hon. Pete Von Reichbauer (Federal Way), Hon. Larry Gossett (Seattle), environmentalists Rod Brown and Maryanne Tagney, commercial fisherman Pete Knudsen and more!

Commissioner Position No. 4



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**Education:** Master, Unlimited, any ocean, any tonnage. Certified USCG. Marine schooling.

**Occupation:** Master Mariner, retired

**Statement:** Ran a 100 room hotel on 1st Ave. My clients were tourists, International Hostellers and homeless. This reminds me of the time on one of the last American cruise ships 325 passengers, 275 crew 42 day South Pacific cruise. They all needed attention and welfare to feel at ease and welcome. Also owned a passenger van service, shuttling flight crews from Sea-Tac to various hotels in Seattle.

This is how I still feel and have the ability to listen to people, make decisions and come up with ideas of innovations and continue prosperity for the Port of Seattle.

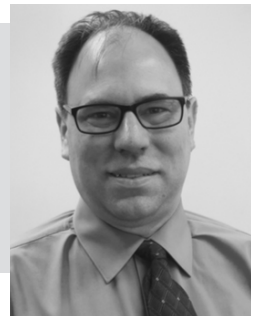
This has been a long run from the pre-teenager who loved his port, sold newspapers to Alaska Steam passengers in the 30.s and joined the service Feb 1942 at age 15 and still enjoy a wife of 72 years with family.

Please vote for me and let me continue my work to position the Puget Sound region as a premier international logistics hub and advance this region as a leading tourism destination and business gateway.

Thank you!

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**Education:** Professional maritime career training

**Occupation:** Maritime, longshore and logistics; policy advocate/Vice President, ILWU 19

**Statement:** I am running to ensure that the Port of Seattle remains the people's port, and that all decisions prioritize living wages and the need for a livable planet and communities. I will use the Port's economic engine to rebuild the middle class by creating good paying jobs for our families and prioritizing environmental stewardship.

We must increase transparency in light of recent Port decisions that don't reflect the civic values of King County. I will be accountable and accessible to ensure Port decisions support our working waterfront, fishing community, and our airport communities.

I am committed to democratic progressive values. As a labor leader, I have fought for the rights of workers and communities for many years. I serve on the Port's Environment & Sustainability Committee, and have a unique understanding of the Port's governance and operations, and can improve them.

Our region is known for our environmental stewardship and the Port needs to better reflect that. I'll work to promote renewable fuels, electrify shore power to reduce ship pollution, and reduce noise and air pollution around the airport. I will bring labor and environmental leaders together to ensure all Commission actions responsibly combat climate change while creating jobs.

I have unmatched policy experience directly with Port issues including environmental sustainability, freight mobility, labor relations, and land use. This experience is essential to be an effective Port Commissioner, and I am the only candidate who can hit the ground running on day one.

I am the strong voice the Port needs to champion our working families and environment.

*Endorsements: Martin Luther King Jr. County Labor Council, Senator Maralyn Chase, Representative Noel Frame, Representative Mia Gregerson, ILWU 19, Inland Boatman's Union, 32nd, 34th, 36th, 46th and 48th District Democrats, Teamsters 117, Peter Goldman, Eugene Wasserman, David Gering and many more.*

## Commissioner Position No. 4

## Fernando Martinez

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**Occupation:** President/Chief Executive Officer, Northwest Mountain Minority Supplier Development Council

**Statement:** The Port of Seattle is an economic engine generating \$19 billion in revenues, supporting over 216,000 jobs, and contributing over \$894 million in tax revenue to our region annually. To ensure the continued competitiveness of the Port requires that all stakeholders participate in planning success, critical decision making, and execution of planned change. The Port of Seattle must: diversify its workforce from entry level to executive positions; include a diverse supply chain; and mandate Port Suppliers share the same values of inclusion. To further strengthen our growth, we must understand and prepare for the upcoming changes to our labor force.

With over 37 years' experience in the private sectors, I have the required skills to lead organizations through change and growth. I understand how important the Port of Seattle Commission must work with the Port of Seattle Leadership Team.

The Port of Seattle's Century Agenda (25-year look-ahead strategy) requires a leader that can envision the future, assess Century Agenda performance, engage all stakeholders, recommend improvements to the existing strategy where needed, and grow the Port of Seattle in a responsible manner for our future generations. I began developing my leadership experience as a young entrant into the workforce, honing that experience during my service as an Airborne Ranger in the United States Army, continuing my development in Seattle as a union member of Local 8 H.E.R.E. as a banquet employee. My career, skills, and capabilities have grown since then into the proven leader I am today. Most recently I received the 2015 National Minority Supplier Development Council *Vanguard Leadership Award* for leading a national reorganization in 2014.

I am a leader that values the Seattle Port Commissioner's position. I am committed and hold myself accountable for preserving and growing our Port in a responsible manner for the benefit of all!

## Ken Rogers

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**Education:** BA Indiana University; Stanford Law School's Directors College Executive Seminar on Corporate Governance

**Occupation:** Small business owner, DM Harborside, LLC - Economic Development

**Statement:** I am running for Port Commissioner because I want to make a contribution to my community using the experience I've gained over the past 30 years in aviation. I am a former US Air Force pilot, commercial airline pilot, labor leader, and for ten years, I served on the Board of Directors of one of the world's largest passenger airlines.

Over eighty percent of the port's operating revenue is related to aviation, and yet none of the current commissioners has experience in the aviation industry. If elected, I would bring an extensive background in international aviation and passenger airline transportation and an understanding of aviation safety and security, airline operations, labor relations and international business economics.

My guiding principles are:

*Port business operations should pay for themselves.* Property taxes should be reserved for schools and government services that do not generate revenue. I would work to phase out the port-imposed property tax currently paid by all King County property owners.

As stewards of a multi-million-dollar public asset, port commissioners should have the experience necessary to make sound decisions on behalf of the taxpayers they serve.

Commissioners are accountable to the public, and decision-making should be responsive to the community, inclusive and transparent.

The port's maritime and aviation businesses should focus on generating jobs and business opportunities for King County residents. We need a working waterfront and recreational access for all citizens, not more elite residential development reserved for a wealthy few.

Port operations must respect the environment – less noise, pollution, and traffic congestion.

As a resident of Des Moines, I would also be the only commissioner who resides in the community surrounding Sea-Tac Airport. South King County should have representation on the commission. I am committed to nurturing strong partnerships with airport communities.

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Council Position No. 1



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**Education:** Bachelor's in Accounting and Quantitative Analysis ("Computer Science"), University of Arkansas  
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**Statement:** I advocate a city vision where residents know what Burien will be like in the next 5-10 years. Growth in other Seattle neighborhoods has damaged their quality of living by unhampered growth in population, automobiles and sound pollution. Uncontrolled growth sacrificing our quality of living is unacceptable reflecting a lack of city leadership that I plan on fixing. With city growth; crime and homelessness is noticeably increasing. Actions need to take place more than meetings and reporting statistics. I will lead changes in policies to curb crime and have the city collaborating with businesses and private charities to provide the willing a path out of homelessness. We need to be creating new smaller schools that reduce the negative effects of poverty, violence, and increase parent involvement and student accountability. Student health and nutrition will be a priority when I'm on the city council. I'd be blessed to have your vote!

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**Statement:** Burien is my home and I want the very best for our city: safe streets, clean parks, livable neighborhoods, and opportunities for all of our residents. I have devoted my professional life to standing up for working families, speaking out for public safety, and ensuring that we build an economy that works for all. I will strive to make Burien safer and more equitable. But most of all, I want to hear from you, what you love about Burien, and how we can improve our city. Together, we can build a healthy, safe, and equitable Burien. I am proud to receive the sole endorsement of the 34th District Democrats, the Martin Luther King County Central Labor Council, and our King County Councilmember Dave Upthegrove I would love to hear from you, reach me directly at 253-653-4568 or at Burien4Olguin@gmail.com. Visit our website at Burien4Olguin.org. Thank you. Respectfully, Pedro E. Olguin

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**Education:** Crimestoppers certified, California State University - Sacramento, Bellevue College, PMP certification, LEED certified  
**Occupation:** General Manager, Automotive Industry - Burien, Facilities Management, Project Management  
**Statement:** Burien cannot continue to adopt Seattle's failed policies. As your council member I will focus on Burien's interests alone. I will champion economic growth and I will support proven crime reduction strategies ensuring our laws are enforced both firmly and compassionately. I believe Burien can be safe and prosperous for all residents and I will fight the encroachment of extreme outside interests that care more about politics than people. I love Burien, it has been my home for 16 years and it's where I have chosen to raise my children. It's for these reasons I am running for city council. Burien is a rare jewel. It deserves invested stewardship by responsible, accountable leadership. However, in the last several years the Burien City Council has lost its way. As your council member I will restore sensible *nonpartisan* representation currently absent from our council. Vote for Joel Manning, vote for *Burien first*.

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**Education:** University of Washington, as well as Highline Public Schools for K-12.  
**Occupation:** Accountant  
**Statement:** I am a lifetime Burien resident who has been involved in our community since high school, when I served on the Teen Council. Currently, I volunteer weekly at Transform Burien serving local homeless and low-income individuals. I also regularly attend council meetings (having been physically present at more meetings than the incumbent) where I frequently offer solutions to the issues facing Burien. Public safety is my top priority. I fully support our police, who are limited by a lack of resources. I would like to hire additional officers and believe it can be done without raising taxes. I am also deeply concerned by the regional homelessness epidemic. Government has not been able to effectively address this and I believe non-profit organizations hold the solutions to this problem. I will be a councilmember who values the input of everyone in Burien and would be honored to have your vote.

**Council Position No. 1****Robert L. Richmond, III**

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**Education:** Cleveland High School '89

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**Statement:** We have two big issues in Burien. One is our energy independence and two, the homeless. Now these two issues although not simple can be dealt with. There is technology available, that will make it possible to turn our waste into power! We can use waste from what our hospitals through our auto industry produce.

Turning Burien into a utility, we will use those profits to lend a "hand up" to our homeless veterans, providing housing, security, and a sense of self worth! Our environment is a priority. And with the full focus of the City Council we will make this happen. It's my belief that with a "work for shelter" program we can get this done. By helping those who want to help themselves, we will get this done.

Now is the time to do our part and step up and improve our city!

Regards,  
*Robert L Richmond III*

Council Position No. 3

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**Occupation:** Medical Cannabis Consultant, Recreational Cannabis Associate  
**Statement:** I'm a medical cannabis consultant, and caretaker by nature, with a unique penchant for looking through statements for facts and actions. I've spent my time working with progressive coalition groups. I support single payer healthcare and compassionate policy that has been shown to have positive impacts on homelessness and income inequality. My goal, if elected, is to focus on building our community so that it can be enjoyed by all of our neighbors, including the homeless and those who don't live in the main focal areas of our town, to promote fiscal responsibility that actually holds our officials to account and promotes healthy economic and social growth within our boundaries and sets an example that our sister cities may follow. I believe that we are all equal, regardless of where we come from, and we all deserve the same opportunities to succeed. I want to bring those opportunities to everyone.

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**Education:** Highline College, Advanced Music Training, Certified Crime Stopper  
**Occupation:** Market Research, Customer Service (retired), Quiet Skies Coalition Board  
**Statement:** I am honored to have served you and proud of the work I've accomplished. Public safety has been and will continue to be my top priority. We are adding more police officers this summer, restarted youth Police Explorers, and I believe vigorous application of laws to keep our library and neighborhoods safe for families is critical. Accomplishments include joining citizens to stop a new flight path, promoted high quality town square development, filling store fronts, partnership with Parks & Recreation and schools offering expanded athletic programs for youth and protected the environment.  
 I support and volunteer with great local organizations offering programs and services benefiting vulnerable populations and people wishing to transition out of homelessness. I have and will continue to vote against all tax increases, promote economic development to support fiscal needs, patronize, protect our small businesses and preserve our small town atmosphere. I would greatly appreciate your vote.

Jimmy Matta

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**Education:** No information submitted.  
**Occupation:** Project Manager & Construction Operations  
**Statement:** I will work to create a safe community for everyone. I currently serve on the Public Safety Committee for the Latino Civic Alliance and know firsthand that public safety begins with community involvement. We can develop community-centric solutions by supporting programs that encourage the public to work with our local police and judicial system.  
 As a small business owner, I know the challenges businesses face in our community. I will work with local schools and organizations to create public-private programs that will help new and prospective business owners navigate the hurdles of starting a business. New businesses provide additional opportunities for living wage jobs.  
 I will make sure we are not only working to keep housing affordable in Burien, but that we are bringing in the jobs that will allow people to continue to live here.  
**Endorsements:** 34th District Democrats, King County Council member Dave Upthegrove, King County Labor Council.

## Council Position No. 5

## Nancy Tosta

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**Education:** Bachelor and Master Degrees, Natural Resources, University of California, Berkeley

**Occupation:** Councilmember, 18 years small business owner, 23 years public service

**Statement:** I've lived in Burien for 21 years, for the last four serving as your Councilmember (two as Deputy Mayor). I listen to you and work hard with you to meet *our community needs*. I've voted to address *public safety* with improved police services, community development, and expanded Block Watch. I voted to fund *youth/teen programs, art, economic development to benefit local businesses*, enhanced *social services* funding, and local animal control services (*CARES*). I supported our Sheriff's policy to prohibit unnecessary inquiries into immigration status and creation of religious registries. Our issues cross city boundaries, so I work regionally on *airport impacts, transportation, education, public safety, homelessness solutions, and Puget Sound recovery*. I continue fighting for *quiet skies and good jobs in Burien*. I'm endorsed by King County Democrats, 34th District Democrats, and King County Labor Council.

I serve *our city, our future, you*. I ask for your vote. Thank you!

## Mary Russell

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**Education:** BA Psychology, San Jose State University

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner and Consultant

**Statement:** Don't believe Tosta. In 2013 Nancy Tosta campaigned on bringing unity to Burien, sadly our community is more divided now than ever. She admitted guilt in violating campaign reporting law and has a voting record that demonstrates she is more concerned with Seattle's radical interests than Burien. She supported 15now and sadly has not supported our police. Tosta becomes paralyzed by hard decisions, often choosing to abstain from important votes. This is not leadership. It's time for positive change and new blood in Burien.

Please remove Nancy Tosta and vote for leaders who will turn the focus back to Burien and get our beautiful city back on track. I can be a true leader, but if I'm not your choice, then vote for either Green or Esau. For the same reasons, please don't allow Matta, Marx, Armstrong or Olguin near your hard earned tax dollars!

This time, vote *for* Burien!

## Jill Esau

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**Education:** University of California, Berkeley, BA, Seattle University Institute of Public Service

**Occupation:** Owner, Grencer Properties, World's Best Treats, World Vision, Property Management

**Statement:** I'm not ideological, neither far left nor far right and Burien can be better with a pragmatic centrist vision. Burien, a community of great diversity and it's our greatest strength. We have the unique opportunity to gain safety, prosperity and economic growth by making wise decisions today!

Recent decisions under incumbent Nancy Tosta's leadership have resulted in a decline in our quality of life.

The stress and struggle for Burien families is greater than ever before. I vow to use my comprehensive understanding of policy and my extensive experience as a grant writer to bring much needed financial acumen to Burien's leadership team.

If you are unhappy with the way our city functions, please join me in choosing a different type of leadership and vote out the ineffective incumbents! I know Burien can be better. If you are ready for a return to basic traditional centrist values, Vote Jill Esau!

## Darla Green

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**Education:** Highline College, Seattle Central Community College, Business. Master of Aesthetics, WA., Aesthetician, ORE, Crimestoppers Certified

**Occupation:** Burien Business Owner, Consultant, Seattle Southside Chamber Commerce Board Member

**Statement:** We need to protect our home, Burien, a lovely city with unlimited potential!

Burien is facing serious crime and economic crises due to ineffective grandstanding and poor decisions from incumbents.

This election is our best chance to stop the radical, failed Seattle policies continuing here.

I am a leader who is fiscally responsible and will partner with the community, to develop and foster thriving residential and business districts.

My commitment will be to bring much needed common sense back to our local government and to put crime reduction and economic development as top priorities. If elected, I will vigorously and responsibly confront these issues that affect our community with strong leadership, courage, and empathy.

In my career, I've managed multi-million dollar budgets. I'll bring that financial discipline to Burien. Together, we will work to create the vibrant and successful community we all want. For *Burien First* leadership, Vote Darla Green.



Council Position No. 7



Patty Janssen

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**Education:** Kennedy Catholic, Graduate – South Seattle Community College, Business - Crimestoppers Certified

**Occupation:** Sales Manager, Wholesale Food Industry

**Statement:** Burien resident for 26 years, volunteering since 1994, founding member of Burien Citizen's Patrol – Burien block watch steering committee member- Volunteer of the year 2008 - Tutored at risk youth at Hazel Valley Elementary 1994-1997. Burien business owner "Kid's to Go" Private shuttle service 95-98

It's time to bring law and order back to our city. My considerable experience and volunteerism with the Burien Police Department has prepared me to take on this challenge. I'm ready to make an even greater positive impact for our community. My primary focus will be putting Burien first with every decision, crime prevention, pedestrian safety, and roads.

I'm ready to step into the role of Council Member with a Burien first attitude. We need strong leadership that will be tough on crime.

I'm not a career seeking politician, rather a community leader with Burien's best interests in mind.

*Vote Janssen, Vote Burien First.*

Steve Armstrong

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**Education:** Shorewood Elementary / Cascade Junior High / Evergreen High School / University of Washington

**Occupation:** 37 years at Boeing specializing in Contracts, Finance, and Procurement

**Statement:** I'm running for re-election because I believe we can achieve more with public safety, our youth, infrastructure, and responsible economic development. Burien is on track for success in these areas and many others.

A strong and visible police component is essential for public safety and economic growth. I was instrumental in adding 2 police officers to our existing force – more are needed.

Many new businesses are starting up in Burien. Town Square is on target for completion this year. Attracting more businesses while supporting existing businesses is essential. Burien is uniquely situated to take a larger role in the region's economy. Let's make sure that we do it intelligently and responsibly resulting in benefits to all Burien residents, stakeholders, and visitors.

Enhancing our quality of life and the financial strength of our city is paramount. Together, we can achieve this. I respectfully ask for your vote. Thank you!

Trevor Gage

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**Education:** Highline Community College, Business, Crimestoppers Certified

**Occupation:** Business owner, Gagegroup Real Estate Team (sales and marketing)

**Statement:** My family and I call Burien home. We love our vibrant and diverse community!

I see the need to move Burien to the center, away from divisive politics that currently separate neighbors. Unlike other candidates in this race, I am non-partisan.

My passion is serving others. Uniting people together for our common good is what I will do. My financial experience with large budgets will enable me to make the best decisions with our tax dollars. I will also find compassionate, sustainable, and economically responsible solutions to homelessness that work for everyone.

We should all be concerned about candidates who represent external interests that will strip away Burien's rich and diverse culture. Beware of candidates with big union money trying to steal this election. Lobbyists and their intentions do not align with Burien's great potential.

Help bring unity and community to Burien.

Vote Gage, because you put Burien first!

Krystal Marx

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**Education:** Highline College A.A. in Sociology

**Occupation:** 10+ years as nonprofit Operations Manager; currently, raising my children

**Statement:** Burien needs a champion for all its residents. I'm committed to representing you, no matter your background or affiliation. With nearly two decades of community activism and almost a decade of nonprofit experience, I know what it takes to find solutions, engage stakeholders, and get results.

I'm committed to fostering an environment of community involvement to address crime, homelessness, and neighborhood revitalization throughout the city. To tackle crime, I'll implement a neighborhood-watch program with accessible resources to improve safety and free-up police time. I'll engage the community in task forces and dialogues to develop a collaborative "Housing First" solution to our homelessness crisis. As your Councilmember, I'll refocus smart growth throughout Burien—not just downtown – while protecting our unique character.

I'm honored to be endorsed by the King County Democrats, 34th District Democrats, Sheriff John Urquhart, King County Labor Council, and many more. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

## Council Position No. 7

### Martin Culbert

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Music, University of Houston

**Occupation:** Corporate trainer in management and communication effectiveness, career transition mentor

**Statement:** Burien has been our home for 27 wonderful years. Our daughters graduated from Highline District schools. I taught at the Puget Sound Skills Center, built music programs at a number of churches in the Highline area, and currently own a small business helping local companies to compete in today's challenging markets.

What keeps me in Burien is what drew me here: high quality schools, affordable housing, and low crime rates. However, because of growth pressures in the neighboring areas, Burien must be ready to partner with King County and surrounding cities to efficiently handle social, economic and regional transportation issues. My efforts will be towards growing businesses by keeping tax rates low and fair. I am committed to supporting our police efforts to further decrease illegal activities within Burien.

What we build today by working together will lead Burien into a bright future.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

Council Position No. 2

Diane Dobson

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**Education:** Renton High School, Liberty High School, Highline Community College, Seattle University  
**Occupation:** Wyman K. Dobson, P.S (f/k/a Dobson Houser Dobson) - Paralegal  
**Statement:** Diane Dobson comes from a historical Renton pioneer family. Having lived and worked in Renton her entire life, Diane knows our community inside and out: the neighborhoods and the people in them. She promotes Renton's achievements and recognizes opportunities for improvement. As a genuine and approachable leader, Diane understands local issues and stands for what is right. She holds people accountable and isn't afraid to ask questions.  
 Diane fosters partnerships between businesses and the community, promoting success and inspiring neighborhood involvement. These relationships align with her active work to improve the safety and integrity of Renton's neighborhoods.  
 She was Renton's 2003 "Citizen of the Year", a founding member of the Downtown Business Partnership, a twenty year member of Renton Lions Club and works with over 15 Renton-based committees and organizations, including the Mayor's CCCP Advisory Board.  
 Diane Dobson will bring a voice to the table for the citizens of Renton.

Armondo Pavone

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**Education:** Renton High School Graduate, Shoreline Community College  
**Occupation:** Renton City Council President and Local Business Owner  
**Statement:** A lifelong resident of Renton, Armondo Pavone is a proven leader in the city and throughout the region. For the past 32 years, he has owned Armondo's Cafe Italiano and Melrose Grill in downtown Renton. Armondo and his wife, Angela, live on Renton Hill with their two sons. As a passionate public servant and business owner, Armondo will continue to listen and represent our diverse community.  
 Armondo's priorities will focus on achieving long-term public safety goals to reduce criminal activity and provide safe neighborhoods; continue building an inclusive city with opportunities for all; and promoting economic vitality throughout the city.  
**Community Service:** Renton Foundation Board, Communities In Schools of Renton, Renton Fire Authority Board, Renton Rotary.  
**Endorsements:** Renton Firefighters IAFF 864; Mayor Denis Law; City Councilmembers Don Persson, Ed Prince, Randy Corman, Ryan McIrvine, and Carol Ann Witschi; State Representative Steve Bergquist; former State Representative Marcie Maxwell; and many more!

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**Education:** 1997 High School Graduate  
**Occupation:** Private Security Guard & Seasonal Seattle Mariners Event Staff  
**Statement:** I am running for the Renton city council to bring a new voice and positive change to city hall  
 Issues of concern are:  
 Homelessness and panhandling, *affordable* housing for the low income, Controlled and positive growth for our city, many more important issues are facing us and we need real answers.  
 We need a real change in city hall, our current elected officials are not getting the job done  
 And it time to bring in new leadership to get the job done  
 Change is not the enemy of progress.  
**Experience:** John kerry volunteer 2004, Hillary Clinton volunteer 2008 & 2016, Elected *democratic* PCO 2004-08, Candidate state representative 2 Ld 2006  
**Personal:** Married to my husband Jeremy since 2011, Openly gay and trying to start a family through surrogacy.  
 I would be honored for your vote and glad to hear from those who wish to contact me with any questions

## Council Position No. 6

### Carl Eshelman

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Systems Engineer, Cisco

**Statement:** Renton is a wonderfully diverse city with a bright future and amazing opportunities. But there is a lot of work to do as well. To continue improving the quality of life of the people who live and work in Renton we need to lower our crime rates, improve our school system, enhance our infrastructure, continue to revitalize downtown, and make smart investments in parks and recreational facilities. This all needs to be accomplished without losing track of fiscal responsibility.

To help facilitate these goals, my priorities include encouraging economic growth, education, protecting the environment, ensuring a safe community, and using your tax dollars responsibly.

I have spent the last 30+ years in private industry learning fiscal responsibility, building consensus, and solving tough problems. With your vote I can use this experience to help create solutions that will make Renton an even better place to live and work.

### Ruth Perez

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**Education:** Master's Degree in Business Administration, Bachelor's of Arts in Communication Science.

**Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember and Senior Vice President, Checkerboard Consulting Services.

**Statement:** Two years ago, I was honored to be elected as your City Councilmember. With over 30 years of business experience working in large international companies, local and state government, and as a business entrepreneur, I was ready to get to work to make the city I love an even better place to live. Now, my commitment remains unchanged.

**Public Safety:** Provide resources for police to keep our neighborhoods safe.

**Reduce Traffic:** Transportation is critical to our community's economy. As chair of the Transportation Committee, I will continue fighting to secure funding from regional partners.

**Economic Development and Support Services:** Promote smart growth while protecting the character of our neighborhoods. Continue to provide quality services to our seniors, youth, and vulnerable populations.

Endorsed by our Renton Firefighters; Councilmembers Don Persson and Marcie Palmer (former), Representative Steve Bergquist; Senators Bob Hasegawa and Margarita Prentice (former), Norma McQuiller and more. I appreciate your vote!

### Jami Smith

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Computer Science and Bachelor's in Mass Communication from Tennessee State University

**Occupation:** Senior Manager of Corporate Services at the Allen Institute

**Statement:** Jami is a collaborative problem-solver. Jami owns a small business that specializes in increasing efficiency and gaining better outcomes for companies of all sizes. Jami will prepare Renton to take advantage of new opportunities to bring new industries and jobs to the City. Jami will partner with schools, colleges, apprenticeships, and businesses to build the new Renton economy. She'll work for affordable housing choices. She wants to ensure that your tax dollars are used efficiently. Jami serves on the Mayor's Inclusion Task Force and on Renton's Planning Commission. Jami is the best candidate for Renton families and communities. She is the leader we believe in.

Jami is proudly endorsed by Renton Mayor Denis Law, Council-members Ed Prince, Armondo Pavone, and Carol Ann Witschi, State Senator Lisa Wellman, King County Executive Dow Constantine, and Marcie Maxwell. She received sole endorsements from the 5th, 37th, and 41st District Democrats.

Council Position No. 2

Joel Wachtel

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**Education:** AS - Empire State College NY State University. Crime Stoppers Certification: Creating Safer Communities.  
**Occupation:** Retired businessman/ entrepreneur with 45 years in business.  
**Statement:** Years ago my wife and I moved from New York to SeaTac. SeaTac is our home and we plan to help it thrive. I will use my 45 successful years in business to continue making SeaTac Brighter! Fiscal responsibility is my top priority, by preventing revenue losses like \$24 million in parking tax lost by prior councils, but corrected by the current council. This resulted in \$8 million new annual revenue. I will continue in this mission.  
 As a member of the first Airport Advisory Committee I know our relationship with the Airport is vital to the well-being of our city. I will make that relationship more equitable and beneficial to city residents. Effectively addressing crime is also a major priority. Citizens help stop crime when they are the eyes and ears of police.  
 Please allow me to exercise my priorities on the City Council. Vote Joel Wachtel Position #2.

Kathryn Campbell

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Human Services. Highline High School. Attended WSU.  
**Occupation:** Retired. SeaTac City Councilwoman, Position 2. AT&T for 21 years.  
**Statement:** Kathryn Campbell's SeaTac roots go deeper than bedrock. Growing up in Riverton Heights and attending Highline Schools, she knows our community and cares deeply about it.  
 A Toastmasters State Champion, Kathryn trained in effective communication and critical listening skills. A Certified Municipal Leadership awardee, she strives to return civility, build consensus and improve our city government. Endorsed by MLKJCLC & IBT 117.  
 Advocating for our Community Garden program, she serves SeaTac on SCORE's board, and works for restoration of the Green/Duwamish river basin. Kathryn speaks up for public safety by investing in more police patrols and improving neighborhood lighting, and worked two years on our Code Compliance Committee.  
 SeaTac belongs to all of us. Our most endorsed candidate for Position 2, Kathryn works to make SeaTac a welcoming and special place: one our grandkids will still be proud to call home.  
 Please remember to vote and reelect Kathryn Campbell.

Terry L. Farden

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**Education:** No information submitted.  
**Occupation:** No information submitted.  
**Statement:** I'm the candidate in the middle. Wachtel is correct about financial responsibility, but our city is not only about money. We care about the disadvantaged among us also. Campbell on the other hand doesn't care about finances nor the people. She is not the person we thought she was when elected.  
 I have over 30 years of Public Service to the Community, including a Volunteer Firefighter, a member of King County Regional Domestic Violence Board, helped form the SeaTac Police Citizens Patrol, a current member of the Valley View Citizens Advisory Committee. I was employed by the City of SeaTac. The city has improved in recent years, however I know who the remaining dysfunctional and malignant staff members are. Campbell has been supporting the wrong ones.  
 I want us to find more money for Human Services and sustainable solutions for homelessness. Please vote Terry Farden for City Council.

## Council Position No. 4

## Shaunie Wheeler

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**Education:** Over 12 years in Government Relations and Policy. Board President Washington Young Emerging Labor Leaders.

**Occupation:** Washington State Political Director for Electrical Utility Workers Union

**Statement:** As a mother of two, all my sons and I see are hotels being built. While we're known as an airport city, SeaTac is a vibrant and diverse community that also deserves adequate resources for families. With my experience working with government and my active role in the community, I know I can get results. We can and should restart the sidewalk projects that make our neighborhoods safer for pedestrians. We can ensure stronger public safety, smart economic development that creates family wage jobs and accountability with your tax dollars. As a board member of South King County Votes, Win With Women and as the president for Washington Young Emerging Labor Leaders, I'm connected to underserved communities and well-trained in finding solutions that serve everyone. Let's make sure when council convenes every resident knows they have a voice representing them. I ask for your vote.

## Pam Pollock

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**Education:** College

**Occupation:** Sales Representative for NW Food Manufacturing Company

**Statement:** Shaunie Wheeler was recently fined by Washington State for concealing her income as a special interest lobbyist. (I tried to further contrast myself with her, but King County Staff censored my statement. I should be able to inform voters about verifiable facts in my own statement. I don't feel King County is acting fairly and I don't understand why they are protecting her.)

I'm currently serving on the SeaTac Planning Commission and our city is moving in a positive direction. As a Councilmember I will continue that forward momentum. By voting for me you are voting for someone who has *all* SeaTac residents' interests at heart. Our city is rich with diversity and opportunity, we need people on our City Council who follow the law and work hard to bring the very best to *all* citizens and businesses in SeaTac.

For Responsibility and Accountability please vote Pam Pollock Position 4.

## Clyde (Fuzz) Hill

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**Education:** Crime Stoppers Safer Communities Certified; George Washington University; Renton Technical College

**Occupation:** Principal Functional Analyst at T-Mobile, US.

**Statement:** As a native to this area and having raised my family here, I care deeply about SeaTac and hold a strong desire to make this a best place to live for all residents. As a systems analyst, I'm trained to spot root causes of problems. I'll apply these skills on the council.

Reducing crime is my top priority. A sense of safety is essential.

Engaging residents with effective tools enables citizens to become vital partners with law enforcement.

Attracting new businesses for added job growth. Increased workforce creates demand for new food and entertainment related services.

Enhancing our sense of community. Creating an environment where residents and visitors want to stay and play is equally important as safety and economic growth. I'll seek to introduce new amenities and opportunities for community gathering.

Make SeaTac the best place to work, live and play! Vote for Clyde (Fuzz) Hill for Position #4

## What's on the Seattle Primary Ballot?

This August, candidates for Mayor, and at-large Seattle City Council Positions 8 and 9 will appear on the ballot.

In November, the top two vote-getters from each of those seats along with the two candidates who filed for City Attorney will appear on the ballot. Elected officials serve a four-year term.

## The Video Voters Guide

Learn more about Seattle candidates by watching the Seattle Video Voters Guide on the Seattle Channel (Channel 21 on Comcast & Wave, 8003 on CenturyLink) or at the [Voters Guide](#) link at [www.seattle.gov/elections](http://www.seattle.gov/elections).

## City of Seattle City Council District Changes

Voters amended the City Charter in 2013 to change how we elect City Council Members. Instead of nine at-large positions, voters now elect seven members by district, and two at-large (citywide). District-elected council members will be on the ballot again in 2019.

## Working on a Candidate or Ballot Issue Campaign

If you are interested in working on a City candidate or ballot issue campaign, please visit our web site [www.seattle.gov/elections](http://www.seattle.gov/elections) for campaign contact information, or call us.

## Making Campaign Contributions to Seattle Candidates and Committees

- Committees must collect the name and address of *all* contributors including, currency, monetary and in-kind.
- Contributors of more than \$100 are required to disclose the name, city and state of their employer, and their occupation.
- Candidate committees have a contribution limit of \$500 per contributor per election cycle.
  - Democracy Voucher Program candidates are limited to \$250 and up to \$100 in Democracy Vouchers.
- Ballot issue committees do not have contribution limits.
- Contributions of more than \$60 must be made by check or credit card.

## For more information

### Questions about Seattle candidates and campaigns:

Polly Grow, Campaign Finance Auditor  
**Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission**  
 (206) 615-1248  
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### Questions about your ballot and voting:

**King County Elections**  
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Seattle's new Democracy Voucher Program makes it easier to support local campaigns.

## What are Democracy Vouchers?

**Democracy Vouchers** are four \$25 certificates you can use to support a participating candidate's campaign for **Seattle City Council** or **City Attorney**. The program will expand to include the Mayor's race in 2021.

## Who can use Democracy Vouchers?

You must live in Seattle to be eligible to use Democracy Vouchers. You must also be:

- At least 18 years of age, *and*
- A U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident.

## How do I get my Democracy Vouchers?

Democracy Vouchers are mailed to Seattle registered voters, newly registered Seattle voters, and those who apply to the program.

If you are **not** a registered voter, contact the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission to apply to receive Democracy Vouchers.

If you have lost your vouchers, contact the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission for replacements.

## How do I use my Democracy Vouchers?

You can give candidates one (\$25), two (\$50), three (\$75), or all four (\$100) of your Democracy Vouchers. Vouchers may be given only to candidates who are participating in the program. To learn who is participating, call (206) 727-8855 and press 1, or visit [seattle.gov/democracvoucher](http://seattle.gov/democracvoucher).

To use your vouchers, write the name of a participating candidate on each voucher, sign your name, and write the date. You can give or mail vouchers directly to a candidate's campaign or you can mail your vouchers to the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission. For other return methods, visit [seattle.gov/democracvoucher/return](http://seattle.gov/democracvoucher/return).

Vouchers must be returned by **November 30**.

## How is the program funded, and who runs it?

In November 2015, Seattle voters approved a property tax to fund the Democracy Voucher Program for 10 years.

The Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, an independent agency of the City of Seattle, administers the program.

## Are Democracy Vouchers public information?

Yes. Contributions to campaigns, including Democracy Vouchers, are public information. The Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission is required to post names of contributors, the candidates they contributed to, and the amount, on its website.

## Is using my Democracy Vouchers the same as voting?

No. Democracy Vouchers are used to help candidates raise money for their campaigns. If you are a registered voter, you will still need to vote in the 2017 Primary and General Elections.



### Contact the Democracy Voucher Program

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I am running for Mayor because Seattle's future is worth fighting for. I'm ready to take honest stock of the challenges facing our city and offer my expertise as an award-winning civic leader, urban planner, and engineer to strike Seattle's problems at their root cause. My candidacy is not a political stepping stone. After decades working on systemic solutions to urban challenges, I'm running to solve Seattle's problems. I'm inspired to bring my proven track record of tenacity, innovation, and inclusive, accountable leadership to City Hall.

Our city's record growth compels us to reflect on the kind of city we want to be. Seattle is confronting challenges of unaffordability, an economy out of balance, inadequate transit, and surging homelessness. Our region's prosperity should provide shared opportunity for all of us, not just the well-connected and wealthy few. I am the only candidate who has offered substantive policy proposals to achieve this vision.

We must curtail the speculation in our housing market with a new tax on corporate and non-resident ownership of our homes, and plow the proceeds into affordable housing. We must invest more in transit, ensuring our growing communities have access to reliable, frequent bus service. We must protect and expand our small businesses, the backbone of an economy that builds and keeps wealth in communities. We all see our failure in leaving people behind to fend for themselves on the streets. This is not who we are; we need a coordinated, effective system for welcoming houseless folks back inside.

As a candidate, I am not accepting contributions from large corporations because I believe city leadership must be accountable to future generations and the public good. As Mayor, I will not allow the future of our vibrant, diverse city to be compromised by lobbyists and political insiders. We cannot allow Seattle to become a city of haves and have nots. I believe in an inclusive and welcoming Seattle, and I'm committed to justice, equity, and sharing power across race, class, and gender. As Mayor, my leadership team will be at least half women, LGBTQ, and people of color. Transformative ideas emerge when we come together with multiple skills and diverse perspectives, committed to equity. Our challenges require us to work together with openness and respect.

Awarded: *The Stranger*: Political Genius Award; *Municipal League of Seattle*: Citizen of the Year; *Real Change*: Change Agent of the Year.

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My vision for Seattle is to make our city the leader of compassion, innovation, and transparency in America. Our city is built on a foundation of these values. However, increasingly these values are being eroded by special interest and politicians who see Seattle as a stepping-stone for self-serving aspirations. Too often the goals of special interest and politicians are in direct conflict with the vision the citizens of Seattle have for their city. As mayor, I will give Seattle back to its citizens and give them a voice once again.

We are a city enriched by opportunity, technology, progressive values, and both human and fiscal capital. Together we must seek win-win solutions to ensure all citizens are capable of realizing the opportunity and prosperity Seattle offers. Our current leaders do not share this vision. They actively divide our citizens through identity politics and regularly ignore their concerns. We are no longer able to have a conversation with our elected officials with the confidence we will be heard. Instead our voices fall on deaf ears or are strategically controlled to silence us to a whisper.

As mayor, every challenge Seattle faces will be addressed by science, efficiency, technology, evidence-based solutions, accountability and unrelenting compassion. Whether it is housing affordability, homelessness, the opioid crisis, or our regressive tax system, I will implement these same proven strategies. We will capture a robust amount of data so we can truly understand the problems we face. We will integrate evidence-based solutions throughout our city. We will measure every strategy to identify which work and which do not. We will only invest taxpayer money in strategies proven to work. We will leverage information sharing and technology so every department yields the best possible results.

Accountability and transparency will be a pervasive theme throughout my administration and will be used to drive down our costs and regressive tax burden. All city contracts, budgets, and cost overruns will be readily available for inspection by our citizens. We will only invest in contractors who are accountable and meet their performance and fiscal obligations.

My experience as a research scientist, technologist, and small business owner make me uniquely qualified to address these challenges Seattle faces.

As mayor, my only goal is to make Seattle the world-class city we all know it can be. I will work every day build a foundation of prosperity for all citizens.

## Mayor



## Michael Harris

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I'm a pro-business progressive — a committed Democrat who believes in fiscal responsibility. That sets me apart from my opponents. I've lived and worked in Seattle for 34 years now. I've seen good government and bad. And like many of you, the last eight years or so I've seen City Hall run on a deficit of courage and imagination. Our elected officials are stuck in a rut now, proposing new taxes as the only solution to any problem, becoming increasingly disconnected from the people of Seattle, their administrations more bloated and inefficient by the day. We're missing extraordinary opportunities to take the lead on the environment and climate change, our homeless epidemic, education, economic development, all the things that we in this town know how to do. We need to remain a Sanctuary City and fight the Trump regime at every turn, beyond just filing lawsuits. And we need to bring the Sonics back! I'm committed to do that.

I'm running for Mayor to bring fresh new ideas to this great City. I'll use my skills as a clear communicator to bring people together, to re-claim the "radical center," where the best ideas win and solutions are found. I will not raise taxes or impose any new tax on our citizens. I'll empower small businesses and start-ups and work to reform the B&O tax/gross receipts tax. As Mayor, I'll personally immerse myself in the homeless epidemic, engaging our Police Department, corporate citizens, and non-government organizations – including implementing a Dignity for a Day Program to get people off the streets and out of the camps. I'll set Seattle on a course to convert to 100% renewable energy by 2035.

All roads have brought me here. My experiences as a accomplished conservationist, a regional eco-tourism industry leader, and a network television journalist and documentary filmmaker have provided me unique perspective and understanding of the issues facing our great City and our place in the world. I love Seattle! It's my home and where I've chosen to raise my 9yo and 6yo as a single father and educate them in our public schools. I'm asking for your vote for Mayor to try a new approach. Let's work together to right this ship. Let's make our City more affordable, livable, civil, and business friendly. Vote Michael Harris, Mayor of Seattle.

Michael Harris

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My name is Keith James Blaise Whiteman and I want to be the next Mayor of our city of Goodwill, Seattle.

Seattle, as a system, is comprised of three main parts: governance, business and community. Some believe that each part of this system will have their intersections while maintaining separate responsibilities. I believe that government and business depend on the community to thrive, and should work together to hold each other accountable to produce a city that the community wants. I believe in a city that is not made in the image of business or government, but with the eyes, ears, hearts and minds of the community.

Seattle needs pre-trial detention reform. No longer should bail be based on wealth. Money should never determine freedom. We need to adjust the way we perceive the issue of homelessness and the viable solutions to improve lives. Encampment clean-ups, not clean-outs. I want to reevaluate the way the shelters are set up. I will create more accessible, family and partner friendly shelters. The city council needs to continue with the heightened independent oversight of the SPD, and I will demand that oversight. We need to increase training for police officers, especially in matters of mental health and de-escalation. No militarization of the SPD. No bunker. No Youth Jail. The Design Review Board needs to be reformed. They need to be permanent, paid positions. We need sociologists, historians, community specialists and mandatory representatives from each district on each board.

Human rights are undeniable and any attempt to block those should be loudly and swiftly rejected. I stand with all immigrants and refugees and will protect their rights and liberties. Indigenous tribes will have more of a voice in our government. I will fully support indigenous culture, people, rights and property. I support all sexual orientations and genders, binary and non-binary. No longer will we tolerate bigotry and racism. We need to ban the Confederate flag from being flown in Seattle, except in approved situations, such as in historical use and museums. Black Lives Matter.

The truth is veiled in a fog of personal influence. A true leader is one who is able to rise above that fog, above themselves and what they experience and fight for the common truth, the common good, and the common sense. I promise to listen to everyone's individual truth and create a common quilt of governance.

## Mayor



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Seattle is America's fastest growing city, with a dynamic economy, unmatched natural beauty, and great neighborhoods. Yet traffic, homelessness, and lack of affordable housing jeopardize what makes Seattle special. Solutions are within our grasp, but require progressive, pragmatic leadership to get the job done.

I am the only mayoral candidate with a **proven track record of progressive policy results**, expertise in transportation and land use, and a demonstrated commitment to our public schools. As Mayor, I'll bring my experience as an attorney and three-term legislator to address these challenges, and build a Seattle that is affordable, sustainable, and welcoming to all.

**Delivering Transportation Relief**

Traffic harms our quality of life, economy, and climate. I helped craft the legislation currently completing 520 and I-5 improvements and facilitated Sound Transit expansion. I served as Executive Director of Transportation Choices Coalition, and helped lead a transit agency. As Mayor, I'll work to accelerate the delivery of light rail, meet carbon reduction targets, and keep our streets clean and well-maintained.

**Increasing Affordable Housing**

Seattle must be a place where everyone can afford rent and save up to buy a home, and retire on a fixed income. I've sponsored efforts to build affordable housing near light rail, and worked with City Council to bring affordable units to areas capable of handling growth. As Mayor, I'll address the emergency of homelessness by prioritizing a "housing-first" approach, rather than leaving people on our streets.

**Protecting Working Families**

I chaired the Legislature's Working Families Caucus, sponsoring legislation to increase the minimum wage and enact paid family leave. As Mayor, I'll expand family-wage jobs, address gender pay inequity, and protect against federal cuts to our social safety net and healthcare.

**Supporting Public Schools**

Seattle Schools deserve a partner in City Hall who has demanded and won needed funding, an active **public school parent** committed to closing opportunity gaps and helping every kid reach their potential.

**Prioritizing Our Quality of Life**

I was born in Seattle, attended public schools, graduated from UW, and made my home here with my husband and three kids.

As a Mayor who knows what it's like to raise a family in the city, I will invest in new playgrounds, protect our parks, and work to bring the Sonics back to Seattle.

**Endorsements:** Lt. Governor Cyrus Habib; Lands Commissioner Hilary Franz; Democratic legislators; Councilmember Rob Johnson; environmental, labor and business leaders; district Democrats, and more.

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## Mayor



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In 1859 my great great grandfather Joseph Henriot left his home next to Mark Twain's in Muscatine, Iowa, and headed west, to avoid a war and seek a dream.

He earned enough money mining to buy the first farm in Washington from the Hudson's Bay Company.

He knew Chief Seattle.

My grandfather heard Theodore Roosevelt tell pioneers that "The time has come and gone when we can allow men to skin the land and move on..."

My grandpa's business was Kelso Feed and Fuel, across the street from a whore house the mayor frequented. When the depression hit, Longview developers skipped town, busting him.

He saw Franklin Roosevelt pick the country up and proclaim: "Let it be said of my first administration that the forces of greed have met their match."

Without memory, as the French say, there can be no civilization. I am a historian, political scientist and Seattleite born on Capitol Hill in 1947. I went to Mercer Island HS after Obama's mama, when it had the best teachers in the state. I spent the sixties at the UW, studying journalism, political science and the Roosevelts.

I have watched in horror — and publicly warned about — Seattle's mad dash for riches and fame without any sensible plan or preparations for the problems following the dollars. We are #1 in growth. A previous title holder: Flint, Michigan.

Over the last 45 years Seattle has gone from being The Most Liveable City to one teetering on disaster, beset by near terminal gridlock, homelessness, and the loss of its native populations.

I saw this coming. And I know the way out. Make the boom pay for its impacts. Preserve essential Northwest values, like greenbelts, water, salmon....

Our first priority must be to tackle our transportation cluster. For openers, I have a plan that will cost a fraction of the tunnel and move many more people to the places they want to go.

As with our other problems, we should address them in the same way engineers like my father tackled the 707 and pollution in Lake Washington.

It's going to take our best, and if we can pull it off, it will be a miracle. But we love our home and love-- as we all know -- can create miracles.

Join us. Let's save Seattle and be an example to the world of how to create a sustainable city.

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**I AM RUNNING** for Seattle Mayor because I believe Seattle needs no-nonsense back-to-basics management. As your Mayor, I will focus on bringing back fiscal responsibility to our government, repairing our aging infrastructure and cleaning up Seattle so it is safe for everyone.

**WE MUST LIVE WITHIN OUR MEANS.** The City of Seattle is currently bringing in more tax and fee revenue than ever before. Yet City Hall still has their hands out. I believe that the problem lies with politicians who have never met a payroll or had to manage a budget. Whenever they want to do something, they throw money at it.

As a small business owner for the last 40 years, I know how to balance a budget and how to manage efficiently and effectively. I know what it will take to get businesses to come to Seattle.

Bringing new businesses to Seattle, decreasing unemployment and increasing revenue will create a strong, vibrant, active, and safe downtown.

**INVESTMENT IN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE** is critical. I intend to sit down with the DOT and all related Seattle Departments to get an update on the progress of on-going projects. My goal is to understand where we are on each existing project and what we have coming up that must be done.

Seattle needs a new Transportation Manager focused on current and future projects, and creating a greater sense of urgency to alleviate the traffic congestion problems. This must be done - and we must get those projects on the fast track.

**CARING FOR OUR CITY** will make it safer for the community and will help our homeless. It is impossible to see someone living on the streets, or struggling with drug addiction, or unsuccessfully seeking employment without feeling the tug on the strings of your heart.

Without a doubt, these people need to be helped. We must provide real roofs over their heads and a clearer path to a better lifestyle. For the drug-afflicted it is critical that rather than enabling them through drug injection centers, we address the root of the problem and assist them in breaking their addiction.

And our first responders have a very difficult and dangerous job and they certainly need City Hall's backing and support in order to do their job properly. I will work with all departments to make sure they have the tools they need to keep themselves and our communities safe.

## Mayor



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Rents and home prices are skyrocketing. And despite incredible wealth in our city, we keep getting hit with new regressive taxes.

If you wanted to design a system to drive out working and middle class residents, this is what it would look like. Growth that benefits the wealthy, with the impacts paid for by those in the middle and the bottom.

Here's what I would do if elected:

- **Cut Unneeded Spending** - since 2013, the city budget has grown 25%, over \$250 million. I would immediately review the budget to cut unneeded spending and redirect it to our priorities.
- **Fund the Basics** - every neighborhood should receive equitable funding for streets, transit, parks, community centers, and public safety.
- **Provide Safe Housing** - our social safety net is failing homeless individuals and our neighborhoods. We need to ensure a safe place for every person to sleep at night that is not on the streets or in our parks.
- **Give Neighborhoods a Say in Their Future** - Seattle's population growth means we need more housing. I would launch inclusive neighborhood planning to build the housing we need *and* fund local priorities. The future of our neighborhoods must be determined by renters, homeowners, and small business people - not just dictated by City Hall and big developers.
- **Hold the Line on Property and Sales Taxes** - Regular Seattle taxpayers repeatedly have had to pay the bill for our City's growth. Instead of regressive taxes, we should look to new revenue streams, like an income tax on wealthy individuals, or new business taxes on big companies who are benefiting the most. And exempting more small businesses from B&O taxes.

Donald Trump is a disaster - which has real consequences for our budget and our people. The strongest way to resist Trump is to put Seattle in a financial position where we are immune to his bullying. We can't just play defense, we must dedicate our resources to advancing Seattle's progressive values.

I was elected during the 2009 recession. I cut budgets while protecting core services. Kept the streets plowed. Ended a garbage strike. Organized against coal trains. Conducted over 100 town halls and held the City accountable to you.

Seattle's middle class and working families are being forced out of the City we love. I'm ready to hit the ground running to fight for a Seattle that's affordable for everyone.

## Jenny Durkan

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Hi, I'm Jenny Durkan.

I'm running for mayor because I love Seattle. I was born here, and my partner Dana and I have raised our sons here.

I believe Seattle must always remain a fearless, compassionate city that invents the future. But today we are at a crossroads. We risk becoming two Seattles, where too many people are pushed out, and too many cannot keep up with rising costs.

We *can* make Seattle more just and equitable. We *can* solve the problems we face -housing affordability, homelessness, transit and transportation, climate change - by **working together**.

That requires a mayor who shares Seattle's progressive values *and* has the skills to provide **strong, steady leadership**. I know how to bring people together to tackle tough issues and get things done.

**I will stand up to Trump** and show that *our diversity is our strength*. I know we can protect the vulnerable while building a vibrant economy that fosters innovation and empowers workers.

Before I went to UW Law School, I worked as a teacher and a Teamster baggage handler.

As a lawyer, I represented victims in the worst circumstances and fought to get them justice. I protected victims of sexual abuse and violent crimes. I held government accountable for deaths caused by negligence or misconduct. I've done pro bono work my entire career, like volunteering as a lawyer at a women's shelter.

**President Obama appointed me the first openly gay U.S. Attorney in our country's history.** I worked with police officers and community groups - the ACLU, El Centro, OneAmerica, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project - to reform the Seattle Police Department.

I created a civil rights unit focused on housing discrimination, job discrimination and the rights of returning veterans.

I battled the opioid problem, prosecuted gun crimes and cybercrime. I championed criminal justice reforms, including a federal drug court.

The day Trump issued his travel ban, I went to SeaTac Airport and helped stop people from being unlawfully deported.

As your Mayor, I will bring the same commitment. **Together**, we will grow Seattle's middle class and make our city a place of opportunity for everyone.

Endorsed by:

- Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund
- Former Governors Chris Gregoire and Gary Locke
- Former King County Executive Ron Sims
- Former Mayor Charley Royer
- City Councilmembers Burgess, Bagshaw, Juarez
- State Legislators Reuven Carlyle, Jamie Pedersen, Eric Pettigrew
- Community leaders Lem Howell, Ruthann Kurose, Juan Cotto, Dolores Sibonga

## Mayor



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I have been a business owner, consultant, and political activist in the Seattle area for over 25 years, as well as a life-time resident. As an advocate for artists, musicians, and small business; I have worked with city officials to bridge the gap between venues, neighborhoods, and the public to create safe environments where our rich Seattle culture can prosper. As an organizer, I have used my platform to help others in the community promote diverse causes ranging from homelessness, cancer research, women's rights, marriage equality, and environmental issues. Politically, I define myself as socially liberal and fiscally conservative. I believe that the solutions to our problems can be attained within the framework of a properly managed city budget. Instead of raising property taxes, it's time to do more with less.

The old ways of throwing money at problems are over. It's time to get to work and find new and creative ways to bring affordable housing to everyone and end homelessness. Predatory development companies have manipulated our housing market for too long. The rapid displacement of neighborhoods and communities has got to stop. We need tax reform, sensible budgeting, and effective leadership. We need a mayor that values people and communities above corporations and developers. I will be that mayor.

Seattle is a city that is going through growing pains. Rapid growth has created great opportunity but also great rifts. We are swiftly becoming a city of haves and have-nots, it's time to bring the balance back. Affordable housing, homelessness, opioid addiction, transit woes, and overdevelopment are all real issues that the next mayor will be asked to solve. I accept that challenge.

Our city needs new leadership. I want to be that leader. I believe in empowering communities to invest in themselves through small business, to have a vote when it comes to up-zoning, and a voice in the issues that affect their neighborhoods. It's by partnering with neighborhoods and communities that real change can happen. Your voices matter and are critical if we want to preserve the Seattle we love and forge a path for the future.

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Bachelor's degree in Communications, English, & Writing. Certified in Grant Writing. Graduate programs in nonprofit management.

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Statement: "EVOLUTION" For All People. United We Stand. Divided We Fall.

An Evolution is Change towards improving that which exist, preserving the good characteristics and losing any detrimental characteristics.

We deserve a Leader who has gone out personally into the Community, listened to their ideas, concerns, and became proactive towards Evolution. We deserve a leader who knows this change is random, generally slow, good, and bad. We deserve a leader who knows that the Natural selection is not primary intent of evolution. The retention of whatever is working is.

I am that Leader!

Born and raised in 37th District, my family has lived here for four generations and I am currently raising my son here. As a Grant Writer, I found within the Government, State, Local, District, Federal Agencies, Courts, Businesses, Nonprofits, Land, Documents, Contracts, Process, Procedures, and Policies have clerical errors resulting to discriminations that Violate Civil Rights in the "Equal Opportunity Policy" pertaining to jobs/employment, education, medical, housing/homelessness, loans, grants, policing, and crime.

Today, as an active community Leader: Founder at Warren & Cato Consulting Firm, I created a resolution to the clerical errors in "Equal Opportunity Policy" by rewriting the application processes and policies that Violate Civil Rights Act pertaining to oppression, murders in our communities, immediate end to police brutality, and crime. For example, remove what has nothing to do with skill or experience, like race, creed, sexuality, income, or crime.

The voice of the legitimacy to speak for the community of Seattle, the people want to protect their families, be independent and financially secure. This is the "Land of the Free."

## Mayor



## Alex Tsimerman

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**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Business, Business consultant and Caregiver for my mother.

**Education:** Graduated from college, University, Master degree in Engineering and Management

**Community Service:** Won class action in 1997 for housing discrimination, which included HUD. Won a very unique class action in 2015 against DSHS for stealing \$100 million from 50,000 people. Speaking over 1200 times in many council chambers about local government corruption and restore our right to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. Alex Tsimerman speaks in council chambers every day.

**Statement:**

Are we better now than 4 years ago? Stop fascism with idiotic face!

I, Alex Tsimerman, speak to you Seattle emerald degenerate super smart freaking idiot, who bring Seattle to number **one** fascist city in America with Nazi-socialist-Gestapo principle. That always choose dirty garbage rats that drink from fatcat toilet and who make your life miserable and brought us to total collapse. Enough is enough it cannot go forever.

No Taxes for first \$100 spent on food, dress, everything. We pay \$100 billion for taxes. Enough is enough. Give ordinary people a little bit of air for breathing.

We are stuck in Seattle between Amazon and illegal immigration and there is only one way to bring the City back to normal life— move 100,000 Amazonian from downtown and 100,000 not legal immigrants from city.

We need to guarantee affordable housing for everybody and stop speculation and start taxing 25% for every foreign house buyer. We need to fix our crazy traffic problems, which has totally destroyed our lives and our cars.

To stop homeless, I will ask local billionaires to give 1% of their wealth so we can fix this problem once and forever.

We need to open Bertha Room in City Hall one time per week for open public conversation and honest candidate forums. This can stop the people from being controlled by Nazi-Socialist-Democrats.

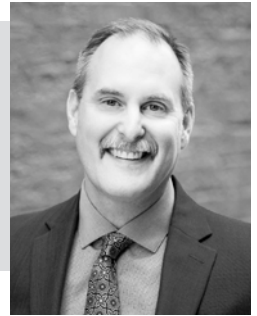
Elect me as City Mayor, I will work for free and all management will be only from Seattle and Salary will be no more than average income.

For City Mayor we need to elect business people like Alex Tsimerman who can operate a City which has \$6 billion, 12,000 employees and 700,000 citizens.

StandUP America, StandUP Seattle so we can bring us back to normal life. We have enough money in the system to make life better for everyone without a penny more from the people.

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**Making Seattle livable for everyone**

Hi, I am James W Norton Jr., candidate for Seattle City Mayor 2017. I have lived in the city of Seattle for 20 plus years. I have served as a Seattle Police Officer and have been a small business owner. In my opinion our City government should represent our people and our businesses not politicians and their agendas. Some of the difficulties facing Seattle residents and businesses today are things I deal with daily.

**I feel that the community deserves to be and should be heard.**

I plan to have this happen through town meetings. Seattle is known for its unique neighborhoods which have unique needs. I want to understand those needs from the residents not from some "study".

**Traffic has become worse not better.**

I am outraged that our taxpayers continue to be asked for money to reduce congestion yet traffic worsens every day.

**Our current plan for the homeless is not working.** In working with the homeless every day, I see many facets to this issue. We have grouped substance abuse, criminals living on the street, and the mentally ill together under the category of "the homeless". Each group has its own challenges and deserves its own solutions.

**Seattle is a great place to live for those who can afford it.**

I want to make it affordable for everyone. We have become a big city quickly and because of this we need to have a big city solution.

**I want to build a strong partnership between the Seattle Police Department and our communities so both groups will feel safe and respected.** I would like to provide forums for communities to address their concerns, learn about police work/talk to patrol officers and why the police do what they do.

I love Seattle and I want it to remain an innovative and special place. Seattle has been a leader in the tech, aerospace, music, food and beverage, arts, and sports fields. I have lived in many cities and Seattle remains the greatest place in which I have ever lived. With your support, we can keep it that way for us, and for the next generation.

With your help this can be the beginning of an even greater Emerald City.

## Mayor



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I stand for accountable stewardship.

I want to become your mayor to ensure all citizens of Seattle will grow and prosper while protecting the diversity which is uniquely ours. Seattle benefits when we agree on the priorities together, and those entrusted with your money are held accountable for how it is spent. My job is to get the results we want most.

Seattle has provided great opportunities for me and my family. Growing up in a 100 year old family business, I have huge respect for the time and effort it takes to make a living responsibly, and keep it going. I know first hand it takes talented people working together to bring meaningful results for sustained development and prosperity.

Seattle is my home; I have lived here my whole life and love it - for all it has to offer. Its natural beauty, fantastically diverse businesses and highly educated population are second to none. I am driven to give back. My metaphor for Seattle's spending and priorities is "hard earned tax dollars chasing elitist unicorns."

My question is simple: are you happy with the results for the taxes you pay?

I will steward the resources you entrust to the city of Seattle, and I'll make sure we get the desired results. It's not about my ideas although I am known to think deeply and wisely from a place of civic benefit. It's about doing what the people of Seattle want most. I will work tirelessly to ensure our community's priorities are clear, communicated and maintained to the end. And, I'll do this with respect for everyone in the process. Most importantly, your hard earned tax money will be spent wisely before ever asking for more.

I will be successful. I am uniquely skilled in setting a goal and directing resources in capital, equipment and manpower to get results - from business to motorsports. I lead with integrity, listening intently and challenging the status quo.

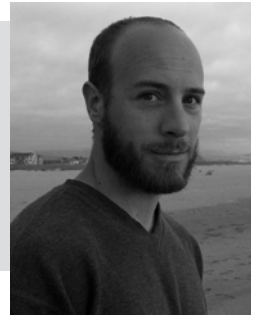
Seattle has never had as much cash as today and, it will not always be this rich. It is critical to use it wisely. I would very much appreciate your vote.

Education: Franklin High School, Seattle; BA, Business Marketing, Seattle University

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Hello. I'm Casey Carlisle, and I'm more socially liberal than liberals and more fiscally conservative than conservatives. My opponents want to vilify certain groups of people and/or certain businesses. I don't want to vilify either; I want to live and let live. I am the only candidate who wants us all to live our lives in the manner we see fit - without the City's permission - as long as we aren't harming anyone else or stealing. Instead of the public serving the City, it's well past time for the City to serve the public.

The government is not as effective as individuals are at solving problems, and since the government is not an effective tool, we should have it stick to as few tasks as possible. I want to make government boring again by sticking to the basics: public safety, water, electricity, and roads. Seattle doesn't need 11,600 employees to accomplish those tasks. All other tasks are partisan and, therefore, harmful, but my opponents - who all have virtually the same platform - want to make City Hall a bigger rip-off than it already is in our already-expensive city. They all have the same ideas that will harm the very people they claim to care about. We live in a very unique city, but if we continue these methods, we'll be no different from New York, D.C., or San Francisco. Those cities have higher costs of living, more traffic congestion, and greater rates of homelessness. We all want less of those problems, not more. Our city is full of competent and compassionate people, so instead of being forced to "fix" the homelessness problem - a problem that continues to worsen - let's voluntarily choose to fix our problems in a competent and compassionate manner.

I don't - for even one second - presume to know what's best for you or your family, which is why I'm asking for your vote. Voting for me is voting for individual liberty, and it's voting to be left alone. It's voting to bring sanity to City Hall. Voting for me is voting against both forced unionization and excessive taxation (the 10.1% sales tax appears low to my opponents), and it's voting to protect property rights. Voting for me is voting against cronyism, and it's voting against favoring some groups and businesses over others. Thank you for taking the time to read my statement, and please visit my website for more information.



## Mayor



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To be Mayor, I propose to bring back the Gold Old Days, the "Happy Days"

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Minors in Far East with Russian Studies

Memberships in UW Alumni Association and The Baptist Church

## Political Experience:

Senior Class President, Queen Anne High School, 1953

Director, Geneva Conventions of 1949 Association, formed to stop war crimes preceding the ending of the Vietnam War.

Providing an effective counter-ideology to the Soviet Communist ideology.

In support of the above and also my family, I have done painting, tree work, and lawn and garden work with my small business, Happiness Enterprises. Prior to this, I was a commercial fisherman, logging watch and an MSTs mess-man on a voyage to Japan and South Korea.

I was raised in Seattle. My parents were Ray Jones, an ex-Marine who was Fire Chief at Fort Lawton, and Evelyn Hones, an excellent pianist-musician who performed at many of Seattle's foremost places and had her own all-girl band. I graduated from Queen Anne High School in 1953, where I played football and pole vaulted. I hike, camp, climb, and ski. (I can't get enough of this)

I would accept the number of millions of dollars for Seattle from President Trump and support all Federal laws as our duty. Seattle will not be a sanctuary city for immigrants who commit crimes while here. Those who come to America to better themselves and contribute ought to receive special grace, but they must support our laws. Those immigrants who come to exploit American are hurting too many people, and these must have their status reviewed. I support VOICE as a way to report crimes like marriage or relationship fraud by immigrants trying for citizenship or sponsorship at the financial and emotional expense of trusting Americans.

With respect to the fact that it was Presidents Yeltsen and Putin who threw the "Red flag" out of Russia, replacing it with the red, white and blue Federation of Russian states flag, which could be considered an overture to the West, and the moderation the President Putin has shown regarding Obama, and that the insurgency in Ukraine was not caused by President Putin but by a remnant of the old Soviet Union, I will include Vladivostok in a sister-city trade route. This would be from all of America to all of Russia, through Seattle.

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Nikkita Oliver knows firsthand the experiences of Seattle residents struggling to build a safe and secure home within our city. As a resident who works multiple jobs to make ends meet, she deeply understands the need for a living wage, affordable housing, and paid sick and parental leave.

Nikkita is an advocate, artist, educator and licensed attorney. She earned her Masters of Education and Juris Doctorate concurrently from the University of Washington. For years she has contributed to the vibrancy of our city through art, advocacy and education. Nikkita has dedicated her entire career to communities becoming self-empowered and building a more just, affordable and equitable city. Whether inspiring our children and youth in the classroom, partnering with our Educators, or fighting with community against unjust policies, she has demonstrated what it truly means to be a public servant.

As mayor she will establish a local government that is accountable to all of our residents. Chief among her concerns is the lack of affordable housing and the current crisis that has left many in our city living without shelter. She believes every Seattleite has the right to secure housing and aims to work in coalition with city leaders, developers and community members alike to create a plan that provides truly affordable housing for all. Additionally, she will work to increase educational resources for our schools, support progressive tax reform, and fight to protect our city's most vulnerable residents from inhumane treatment like homeless sweeps and unjust executive orders.

With the support of the newly founded Seattle Peoples Party, Nikkita is committed to increasing community voice and input at all levels of city government. She will ensure our city government is accessible, accountable, and transparent. She will restore avenues for residents to speak directly to government officials and build opportunities for residents to impact the policies and decision making processes of our city. Nikkita has the necessary vision, drive and broad community support to make Seattle a truly progressive city.

## Mayor



## Mary J. Martin

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For the working class, the greatest of all battles ahead is to throw off the image of ourselves that we do not have the capacity to organize, learn, and to transform ourselves as we fight to end capitalist rule and establish workers power.

As the slow burning global depression continues, the financial capitalists and the well-paid professionals who serve them, sense that mounting struggle- class struggle- lies ahead.

To meet this challenge we have joined protests against racist attacks on Blacks, South Asians and against police violence. We have walked the picket lines with USW silver miners on strike in Mullan, Idaho; helped build and participate in the May Day actions for immigrant rights; supported the Familias Unidas farm workers union fighting for their first contract in Skagit County; and participated in defense of Planned Parenthood for a woman's right to choose abortion.

The unions must organize the unorganized and support the demand for amnesty to fight for the solidarity of our class. This is a life and death question for the labor movement.

We speak out against Washington's imperialist wars- from Iraq to Afghanistan to Syria. We oppose the ruler's scapegoating of Muslims and against Jew-hatred which seeks to divert workers attention away from the common enemy- the capitalist system. We join in the celebration of the freedom of Oscar Lopez and demand an end to colonial rule of Puerto Rico.

The Cuban Revolution sent volunteers to beat back apartheid South Africa's invasion of Angola and sent doctors to fight the Ebola epidemic in West Africa. The revolution shows the solidarity achieved when workers and farmers overthrow the capitalist class and end their dog eat dog system. End the embargo! US Out of Guantanamo!

The capitalists rule through their Democratic and Republican parties. The 2016 elections showed that much of the working class has no confidence that either of these parties can or will solve our problems.

In Seattle as elsewhere, as long as the capitalist class rules, conditions concerning health care, housing, homelessness, mass transit, education, wages, and a decent livable retirement for those who have produced all their lives will continue to deteriorate. We can fight and push back the bosses and their government but only a massive movement leading to a Socialist revolution can solve these problems in the interests of the working class. The Socialist Workers Party is your party. Join with us!

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Occupation: Entrepreneur and Small Business Owner

Statement:

Seattle deserves real leadership, leadership free of ties to special interests or national politics; and that leadership has been missing for decades. The rapid growth and lack of leadership we've experienced has presented us with predictable problems: Housing shortage, traffic congestion, homelessness, crime, and lifestyle challenges.

The current Seattle political class has proven inadequate to these challenges. If we don't make the changes I propose then more of the same special interests will give us more of the same problems. I have the nonpartisan, outside the box leadership skills to make the positive changes the current political class is unable and unwilling to implement. We need a Seattle suitable for all to pursue their dreams, not just for a well-connected few.

As results-oriented leader, my mission is to Save Seattle, to restore and enhance safety and prosperity for all Seattle. I believe our city's culture is under threat and that the path forward must be based on all citizens having a voice in our shared future. Seattle cannot move forward until the influence of powerful special interests is reduced and our leaders abandon corrosive identity politics.

In addition to being a local business owner of over 25 years, I served over two decades as Green Beret. The motto of that elite unit is "De Oppresso Liber" — which means, "to liberate the oppressed"; this defines my personality and life's mission. These leadership attributes and hard-won experiences are unique in the field of candidates seeking positions of Seattle leadership.

I have the vision, discipline and unmatched experiences needed to lead Seattle into the future built on its unique attributes: our superb natural environment, our history of inclusiveness and innovation, and the talent and spirit of our citizens. I believe the other candidates will continue the policies that have brought us the traffic, housing, and crime problems we now experience.

As a born and raised Seattleite, I look forward to leading our city to a new and better future as our next Mayor

## Mayor

## Bob Hasegawa

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Seattle's economy is booming, yet most of us who are not part of the 1% are feeling the economic squeeze and losing the ability to live in the city we love; we are becoming a world class city of inequity.

*This is why I'm running for mayor.* I'm a lifelong Seattle resident with a long history of standing up for the interests of working people. As a current State Senator and former leader of the Teamsters Union, I have a proven record of effective leadership, building relationships and executive administrative skills which will allow me to transform city government so it works for the interests of all people.

My Japanese family and community were incarcerated during WW2 just because of their ethnicity. That forever instilled in me a sense of justice, which is why I was the first legislator in our state to endorse Bernie Sanders, actively campaigned on his behalf here at home, and was elected to be a delegate at the National Convention.

The growth and development we are experiencing must be better managed so that residents and businesses can continue to live and prosper in Seattle. Our regressive taxation is leading to a fiscal crisis where the taxpayers will no longer be able to support the infrastructure to maintain and grow our city.

*Growth should pay for growth*, which will enable us to build sidewalks and schools, and reduce traffic congestion.

We need bold new ideas to address the growing economic inequality in our city. A municipal bank is a cornerstone of my platform. It will raise revenue without raising taxes, and can drastically increase our financing capacity for public housing, sidewalks, schools, and other infrastructure like municipal broadband.

With integrity, compassion, and principled leadership, together we will revitalize our city and neighborhoods into nurturing communities, recreate city government so that it's truly inclusive of all people. *Nothing about us, without us.*

We will build a world class city that will be a model of sustainability and equity. Go to [bobhasegawa.com](http://bobhasegawa.com) for more information, to endorse the campaign and sign up to volunteer.

I ask for your vote, and to join me in making Seattle a truly progressive, world-class city.

Endorsed by the Bernie Sanders organization Our Revolution Ballard, Labor Unions, Democratic Legislative Districts, and many more.

## Education:

Master Public Administration, UW Evans School; BA, Antioch University Seattle, Organizational and Social Change; AA, Shoreline, Labor Studies

## Council Position No. 8



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As a mom, business owner, LGBTQ advocate, and Chair of the Washington State Human Rights Commission, I've spent my life expanding equality and equity to all Washingtonians. Seattle must do a better job to protect the vulnerable in our community. As your Seattle City Councilmember, I'll work to represent all of Seattle. I will fight to make our city more affordable, advocate for small businesses, and tackle the issue of homelessness, addiction, and mental illness.

**Homelessness:** Our city's homelessness and mental illness problems have had a deeply personal impact on my life. I have a family member who has been trapped in the cycle of homelessness and addiction for many years. In my opinion, the first tent city that went up should have been the last. We need to develop a comprehensive, effective, and compassionate approach to this complex problem.

**Affordability:** To continue Seattle's economic growth, we must address the affordability issue in our city. As a small business owner with more than 20 years of business management experience, I understand firsthand how affordability impacts small businesses. As with housing, commercial real estate is becoming unaffordable, making it difficult for local businesses to thrive in our city. To continue the growth of business, I will improve the accessibility of microfinancing and capital for low and moderate-income small businesses. I will also work to streamline the permitting process to help unburden our small businesses.

**Equality and Equity:** I've fiercely advocated to expand equality and ensure equity for all people. I was devastated when my partner, Kate Fleming, was tragically trapped killed in a flooding incident. I was infuriated when I was denied hospital visitation because there were no laws protecting LGBT couples at the time. I turned my sorrow and anger into action and testified on behalf of legislation to protect all couples from ever having to suffer the same way. In the ten years since, I've flown across the country to advise governmental agencies and departments for greater civil rights protections. I continue my advocacy today, as the Chair of the Washington State Human Rights Commission, where we largely fight discrimination in housing, employment and insurance. In the last legislative session, I worked on HB 2029, which would create a telephone hotline and website to refer people to assistance for immigration and citizenship issues.

I'm running to insure a stronger, more decisive Seattle City Council. Thank you for your vote.

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For far too long, the City of Seattle has been run by self-important, overbearing and bossy politicians who do not vote in your interest. The Seattle City Council needs to be held accountable and answerable to you and that will only happen if a straight-shooting outsider is elected.

I pledge to be that cage-rattler.

Seattle needs someone who is an unconventional activist and won't conform to Seattle Council dogma, someone who is different and won't stick to the longtime status quo. I am a problem-solver who will shake things up and get things done.

As your representative on the Seattle City Council, I will always stand up for the best interest of the people who live here. I will support the Seattle Police, for they are a great community asset and work hard to protect us. I will back their difficult work on violent crimes, murders, rapes, and assaults, as well as property crimes such as robberies, burglaries, and car prowls.

I will work to lower taxes. Citizens of this city are being taxed to death. Under Mayor Ed Murray, Seattle has seen seven tax increases; that trend must stop. I will battle for small businesses by advocating for reduced city B&O taxes and less unnecessary regulations. I will work to keep business areas safe for merchants and patrons, and fight to streamline the permit process.

I will push to unclog more of Seattle's roads to move traffic by opening up arterials to four lanes wherever possible. I will work closely with neighborhoods in Seattle to solve local problems, rather than focus my attention on Downtown. I pledge to cleanup illegal homeless camps, while partnering with nonprofits to get the homeless support and off of the streets. Additionally, I will strongly fight against the use of safe-injection sites in Seattle.

Lastly, I will push extremely hard to get the Sonics back in Seattle, either in a new SODO arena or in Key Arena. It has been nearly 10 years since the Sonics left. A new team will instill a new sense of community and passion for those who call Seattle home; we owe it to the people to get both an NBA and NHL team here.

Seattle needs new leadership on the City Council. I will be councilmember who will get in, shake things up, and solve-problems. Thank you for your vote.

## Council Position No. 8



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*Isn't it about time that Seattle had a progressive neighborhood small business leader on City Council?*

I co-founded Fremont Brewing here in Seattle. In ten years, we've grown from three people to 55 fulltime employees. In that time, we've held strong to our progressive values. I am proud to provide my employees living wages, good health insurance, paid family leave, and – of course – free beer.

I can't promise Seattle free beer, but I can promise this: on City Council, I will be a strong, collaborative leader. I am the only candidate in this race with legislative experience. Over 11 years as an aide for Councilmember Richard Conlin, I crafted and championed key legislation. My work helped position Seattle as a leader on environmental stewardship and other issues.

My priorities include:

- **Affordable housing.** Seattle must provide more transit-oriented development, and expand housing tax credits to create thousands of affordable units and reduce homelessness.
- **Basic services.** Our City's first priority should be providing core services like roads and public safety.
- **Environmental stewardship.** As Council staff, I wrote legislation to invest in renewable energy and pursue zero-waste policy. On Council, I will lead on sustainability issues.
- **Thriving small business.** As a neighborhood business owner, I know local businesses create family-wage jobs and a vibrant city. I will be a champion for small business, not an adversary.

I am a progressive, but also a pragmatist. I believe good people – even people who disagree – can work together to create positive change. That's not cheap talk. It's the work I've been doing for over a decade and the experience I will bring to City Council. *I ask for your vote.*

**Endorsements:** Former Mayor Greg Nickels, former Washington Democrats Chair Jaxon Ravens, Ethnic Business Coalition chair Taylor Hoang, former School Board President Sherry Carr, and many more.

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I am the mother of three and a Seattle attorney. I advocate for justice. I work to house the homeless, find justice for the wronged, and bring fairness to business practices. I would like your vote for Seattle City Council.

I am an Advocate for Civil Rights

I attended Seattle University to be an advocate for my community. Nina Turner told me, "Fancy titles are nice, but **purpose** is everything." My purpose in life and my purpose for running is to ensure **Justice for All**.

To ensure that every person feels safe when they leave their homes, we require a well-trained, culturally-competent police force. I served on **Seattle's Office of Professional Accountability**, where I worked with the Council and Mayor to create stronger systems of civilian oversight of the police to improve the community's trust.

I am an Advocate for Economic Rights

Economic Justice is a civil right. I see two Seattles, the gleaming towers and the tent cities. Between those two, I see full-time workers making less than a living wage and being priced out of their homes.

I see it on the ground. I'm the **Economic and Development Department** chair for the NAACP and I ran the jobs program at the Urban League. I have been fighting for good paying jobs for years. I successfully got Sound Transit to hire minority-owned businesses and I was a policy analyst with the **Alliance for a Just Society** when we organized the food worker's strikes that led to \$15 an hour. But there is more to do. I see the frustrations of the people who work to raise their families, but come up short. When \$75,000 a year is not enough, what are we telling people who make \$45,000 or less?

I am an Advocate for Housing Rights

We cannot grow forward and leave our people behind. We must make sure every person who works hard has a place to live, that's why, while on the board of the **Black Community Impact Alliance**, we secured the purchase of the YK building, which will house 130 young adults making less than \$19,000 annually.

I am Sheley Secret and I am fighting for you. I will not stop fighting for civil justice, social justice, criminal justice, and economic justice until there is **JUSTICE FOR ALL**.

I am proudly endorsed by Democratic organizations across Seattle, Seattle Education Association, and Our Revolution Ballard.

## Council Position No. 8



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We are in a housing crisis and renters and homeowners are getting squeezed out of Seattle by massive rent increases and escalating property taxes. We must change course to ensure that future generations of working Seattleites can thrive in our city. Across the country, cities with the worst housing affordability crises have already mandated 25% of each new development to be affordable to working and low income people. Seattle must do the same. We must also require big corporations to pay their fair share in taxes so we can relieve the property tax burden on Seattleites.

I have over ten years of experience as an advocate for housing affordability. While Executive Director of the Tenants Union, I doubled its operating budget, opened offices across Washington, tripled the people served, and advanced state and local legislation to expand tenants' rights. These legislative efforts included passing stronger protections for domestic violence survivors, increasing affordable housing subsidies, fighting economic evictions, and expanding tenant protections in state and local law. Last year I worked as the Outreach Director for Raise Up Washington, the labor, faith, and community coalition that organized to pass I-1433 to raise the minimum wage and establish paid sick & safe leave statewide. Prior to the Tenants Union, I was a housing advocate at non-profit Solid Ground.

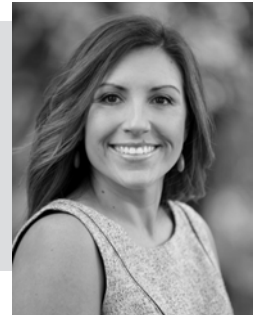
Our campaign is accountable to regular people, not big money. I am the only candidate in our race who pledged not to accept contributions from corporations, developers, or CEOs. Instead, 90% of my campaign funding comes through the historic Democracy Voucher program and my average real dollar donation is just \$19 dollars. The community, and not big business, owns our campaign. How we win matters: it shows we put community interests first.

I will be a strong champion on the council for more civilian oversight of the Seattle Police Department, leading on climate justice by divesting from fossil fuel companies, passing paid family leave, protecting immigrant rights, and prioritizing hiring city contractors who commit to gender pay equity. If you believe we need to take bold action on these issues to do more to improve policing, make housing affordable, get big money out of politics, ensure equal pay for women and make city government more responsive, I ask for your vote.

Selected endorsements: City Councilmembers Lisa Herbold and Kshama Sawant, former City Councilmember Nick Licata, SEIU 6 and Real Change Founding Director Timothy Harris

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In Seattle, we are proud of our progressive values and thriving economy, but too many are left out of our prosperity. I am running for Seattle City Council to ensure everyone can afford to live, work, and retire in the city they call home.

I've dedicated my life—in healthcare, child advocacy, and the labor movement—to creating healthy communities. That requires an economy that works for all, not just the wealthy few. I'll fight for ALL Seattle residents as your Councilmember.

I have spent my career working to promote the wellbeing of families and seniors; fighting for good living wage jobs and retirement security; drafting and leading the state's minimum wage and sick leave Initiative 1433; and implementing Medicaid expansion and healthcare for all kids.

This is how I lead—by bringing people together, creating broad coalitions to solve issues, and including those who are often left out of the decision-making process.

Together, we can create affordable housing and provide needed services for the homeless. I will champion community-driven development to create the affordable housing we need *now* for low- and middle-income families. We can turn developable land into affordable homes, with affordable retail and community facilities. I'll pursue "Housing First" homelessness reforms for more shelters and permanent supportive housing, coupled with increased access to mental health, addiction treatment, and case management services.

We can improve public safety, transit, and commutes by working to accelerate state and local investments on critical infrastructure, target new sidewalks to improve safe routes to school and commerce, and create more housing and childcare options closer to jobs and transit centers.

In these trying times, we can protect our environment, workers' rights, immigrants, our LGBTQ communities, and healthcare for women. In Seattle, I'll advance affordable childcare, family leave, equal pay, affordable housing, and protect our public health.

I am a third-generation Mexican-American, the daughter of educators and activists who taught me to work for social justice. I would be the only renter on the City Council. With your support, I will work every day to represent you.

*Proudly Endorsed: Attorney General Bob Ferguson; US Representative Pramila Jayapal; Executive Dow Constantine; City Councilmembers Sally Bagshaw, Lorena González, and Rob Johnson; former Executive Ron Sims; King County Central Labor Council; Seattle Firefighters; Seattle Education Association; Sierra Club; National Women's Political Caucus; 32nd, 34th, 36th, 37th, 46th District and King County Democrats; and many others!*

## Council Position No. 8

## Hisam Goueli

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My name is Dr. Hisam Goueli. I specialize in treating older adults and people with mental illness.

I'm a gay Muslim Arab-American from Minnesota. My husband is a Peruvian immigrant. We moved to Seattle to get married and live our American dream, knowing we would be welcome here.

Every day I see 27 patients in the hospital. 20 of them are homeless. I see how public policy leaves many suffering in our prosperous City. My patients inspired me to run for City Council.

We all know we have a serious decision to make in this election. *Will Seattle be home only for wealthy people, or a thriving City that leads nationally with progressive values?*

Too many senior citizens on fixed incomes fear losing their homes. Too many people of color are being displaced from neighborhoods they have built for generations. Too many young people believe they will never own a home. Too many people are living in tents and on our streets.

I'm running to make sure Seattle is home for all our residents.

**Affordable Housing:** We must build it now. We should build on surplus City property and streamline our permitting process to expedite construction. We should protect our housing market from outsider speculation.

**Quality Health Care for all:** I have a plan to invest in community health clinics to innovate new solutions for our primary healthcare system. This will improve outcomes and lower costs for all in Seattle.

**Seattle continues to grow:** We must go beyond affordability to **livability**. This means investing in cultural services like arts, parks, creative schools, sidewalks and transit. These services create a culture of empathy, keep us competitive into the future, and transmit our values to newcomers.

**I bring leadership experience:** I've developed successful healthcare solutions all around the world. In Ohio I opened a **refugee clinic** and worked at **Planned Parenthood**. In Wisconsin I opened a **free dental clinic**. In Egypt I launched a **mobile healthcare clinic**. In Guatemala, I helped **decrease child mortality** and **empowered women** in healthcare. In Nepal I developed a **10-location primary healthcare** system. I know how policy works, and how to engage with diverse communities to achieve progress.

Please visit my website for endorsements, which include: 32nd District Democrats, former Councilmember Tom Rasmussen, Doctors, Nurses and Social Workers.

I want to use my expertise, compassion, and love for Seattle to serve you. Please vote for me.

## Mac McGregor

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Mac McGregor wants to lower the barriers to success for everyone in our city. He believes raising up those in marginalized communities, and by doing so, we ALL benefit! He understands the struggles of Seattle residents and is along side you. As the first transgender candidate for city government, he has a unique and broad perspective that is desperately needed on our City Council.

Through years of service as an educator, activist, and City Commissioner, Mac is a proven bridge builder. As a former small business owner and college professor, he listens to the needs of the people and acts to create change. He is a genuine and will make honest and educated decisions for the people of this city. As part of a working class family trying to survive and thrive he understands life in Seattle. Mac McGregor is a movement toward change, integrity and civil rights for all people regardless of gender, sexuality, race, religion, national origin or creed. The time upon us is a critical one, where the need to change hearts and minds towards a more expansive and inclusive system is of grave importance.

Mac has decided to run as a non-binary candidate and not as a democrat. Seattle City Council is a non-partisan position and he refuses to allow a political label to restrict him or be a part of a system that is exclusionary or divisive in any way. He will be supported for the content of his character, his platforms on the issues, and his ability to make smart and productive decisions. He will always choose integrity. His loyalty lies with what is best for ALL people in our city. He does not believe that the binary political system is currently serving most of us, and is taking a stand against it through this campaign. He will create change in our city without obligation to any special interest groups or organizations. And he is not taking donations from big business or developers.

Mac McGregor is creating a movement—helping light a fire inside all of us to prioritize basic human rights and dignity across our country. He is empowering those who have felt like they've lived in the shadows. The first few people of color, women, gays, and lesbians who ran for office advanced the cause of freedom for all. This is the next step. Mac will bring awareness and distinction to Seattle.

## Council Position No. 9



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Dear Seattle,

At the May meeting of my union, some of my members asked why I haven't requested their endorsement. I told them that in the interest of honesty and integrity, I wanted to go through with our union's plan to hold a candidate debate and then go through the endorsement process like any other candidate. My members laughed and said I'm going into the wrong field because politicians are never honest.

I don't believe this has to be true. Through my work with state and local governments advocating to raise the minimum wage, provide sick leave, and increase funding for education, I've seen how the process can work.

However, I did not make this happen on my own. My union members and my community were vital to these successes. I've seen the change we can make as individuals and as part of the community. Citizens will always have the strongest voice.

I've proudly worked as an activist and an employee of the Seattle Community Colleges for over a decade. I am honored to serve as the President of the WA Federation of State Employees (WFSE) Local 304, serving 2,100 members in Seattle and King County. I've proudly worked for the City of Seattle as a trainer for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program and as a delegate of the Youth and Families Initiative. I would be humbled to continue my work serving the people of Seattle as a member of the City Council.

In Solidarity,

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**Who is Pauly G?** I happen to be a gay man with a background in aerospace engineering (i.e., rocket science). ***I'm running for Seattle City Council Position 9 to use all my faculties, skills and passion to help this city and its people.***

I'm a young working professional. I helped make airplane parts as a systems engineer at the Boeing Company. I contributed to research on aviation biofuels and manufacturing processes reducing waste to landfill. I care about the earth.

I'm uniquely knowledgeable about transportation as an engineer and mass transit user. I live without a car and use public transit extensively. I passionately cycle to every Seattle neighborhood and district on my bikes Clementine and Ole Lavender whose names denote their colors.

***I call the following good Paul-icy!***

***The Homeless: Safeguard Seattle's Morality***

The campaign is organizing an interfaith ceremony called *A Forum for the Not Forgotten: Our Heart Is Your Home*. All people of goodwill and leaders of faith shall have the opportunity to raise citizenry awareness and social consciousness. All available solutions should be utilized and no city expenditure alone can save us from ourselves. I will use this office to galvanize volunteerism along with Paul-icy. Everyone must welcome our homeless friends back into Seattle society.

***Transportation: The Traffic Terror***

I want the local government to work with all stakeholders to forward faster solutions like building infrastructure, prioritizing high volume routes and expanding new transportation modes. The council must ensure the billions to be spent via ST3 is done so wisely and congruently with community input.

***Economic: Build Housing Wisely and Diversify***

I want to expand current partnerships and build new ones between communities, colleges and businesses (tech firms, shipping, etc.) that need skilled workers. The city must facilitate the production of affordable housing like micro apartments with extensive local input and new enforceable requirements. I will advocate to preserve Seattle's diversity, character and culture.

***Emerald Environment: Aligning Values with Paul-icy***

I want to beautify Seattle while creating jobs. Let's employ those in need by increasing incentives to clean the city. The government can befriend businesses and change products to become more recyclable, organic, sustainable and fair. Seattle should enormously expand community gardens. The council must prepare now for the long-term consequences of climate change. I plan to make Seattle a city with net-zero impact by all measures.

***I'm Pauly G and I'm asking for your vote.***



## Council Position No. 9



## Ian Affleck-Asch

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Greetings to the Voter,

My name is Ian Affleck-Asch, and I am a Seattle-born citizen running as an Independent for our City Council's 9th Position.

I am twenty-six years of age, and have spent those years living in Seattle, very concerned about our Government. I –like many Americans– have struggled with the terrible divide between political parties, and have grown weary from the lack of progress that our government has shown over the decades. It is only recently that I have gathered my personal strength to stand with the citizens and leaders of Seattle against monotony. I can only regret that I did not stand earlier.

This City has changed over the years, but many of the best things –and the best people– still remain with us. I grew up in our neighborhoods: Beacon Hill, Ballard, Greenwood, Fremont, and Northgate. I studied at our public schools: B.F. Day Elementary School, Hamilton International Middle School, and Roosevelt High School. I walk our trails, drink our coffee, watch our parades, and enjoy our parks. I don't enjoy Seattle's people suffering. I hear your concerns every day in my work as a Cashier at the Wallingford QFC, and I feel the growing pains of our City with a deep understanding of the problem.

We aren't growing right. We're not building towards the future Seattle needs as the Nation's fastest growing city. We must have better housing, we must have adequate services, and we must have better transit. We need to treat our citizens neighborly, our governance wisely, and our disenfranchised properly. Furthermore, we must change the way Seattle leads and inspires other Cities around the Nation and the World. We have a duty –a responsibility– to nurture our World as the future would, and the first step is to elect kind and dutiful people to public office, where they can do good deeds for all of us.

I end with a quote:

"However combinations or associations of the above description [political parties] may now and then answer popular ends, they are likely in the course of time and things, to become potent engines, by which cunning, ambitious, and unprincipled men will be enabled to subvert the power of the people and to usurp for themselves the reins of government, destroying afterwards the very engines which have lifted them to unjust dominion."

-from President George Washington's Farewell Address

Thank you,

-Ian Affleck-Asch

## David Preston

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Pragmatism and common sense have gone out of style at City Hall. I'll bring them back in.

*Growing Pains.* Seattle's been my home for 30 years, and in that time the city has grown phenomenally. Unfortunately, infrastructure hasn't kept up. Developers tear down our livable, affordable neighborhoods and throw up garish high-rises with no parking. That's great for wealthy tech workers, but what about the rest of us? Long-time residents are fleeing Seattle for more livable suburbs while homeless camps proliferate in our parks and greenbelts. Taxes go up relentlessly, but where does the money go?

*Social Justice Warriors.* The City Council has done little to address real problems, concerning itself instead with social causes. Transgender bathrooms? –No. We should be focusing on affordability and heroin addiction. Climate change? –No. We need to address traffic congestion. The Council's response to homelessness was to lift the ban on camping in parks. Their answer to the heroin epidemic? –Give addicts a "safe" place to shoot up. When their absurd schemes fail, they blame Donald Trump or rich people. This isn't a government. It's a unicorn ranch.

*Changing Up.* The City Council has been captured by interest groups and radical ideologues. To move forward, we've got to set these divisive forces aside and restore a sense of unity and balance to our government. As a councilmember, I will stand up to the radicals and protesters. I will insist on transparent government and oppose new taxes until we have accountability for money the city is taking from us now. I've been writing about fraud and waste in government for years (see [roominate.com/blog](http://roominate.com/blog)) so I know just where the rot is and how to fix it.

*Pragmatic Solutions.* I'll get to work on homelessness and addiction first. We need to get homeless people into housing and drug-treatment programs. No more camping in parks. The next task is to create more affordable housing. Real estate developers have been writing our land-use policies, and that needs to stop. I'll require developers to pay more for infrastructure improvements and create more low- and middle-income housing. I'll end the demonization of landlords and will make it easier for homeowners to add mother-in-law units. Mayor Murray damaged the City's relationship with neighborhoods. I will rebuild it and get neighborhood groups—and ALL the people—back into City Hall. Thanks for your vote, Seattle!

## Council Position No. 9



## Eric W. Smiley

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My name is Eric Smiley and I want to do the good work for you as your Position 9 Seattle City Councilmember. Seattle is not using our great resources to our true benefit. Work is done in a piecemeal way with lack of a cohesive plan. I will provide balance to the council's efforts. Putting them in context rather than drag our feet. I will work to give Seattle the momentum to reach the better future.

Affordable Housing is the big challenge. People living in Seattle for many years are pushed farther away. Black communities along Martin Luther King Boulevard are forced South by rising rents and development. There is on MLK Boulevard a true definition of irony. Now is the time to check our development qualities and be sure today's Seattle will not be just a memory for residents but the beginning of healthy urban growth.

Preschool is one of critical pieces in childhood education. It was given short shrift by the city council. Preschool funding is supported by nearly seventy percent of the voters. This demonstrates the lack of initiative seen on the city council. I will go directly to work on free, universal preschool at every council meeting.

Public Safety is the key function of governance. Laws are meant to secure the safety of all citizens. We must be vigilant in assuring that steps to reduce use of police force continue. Investments in education, understanding and community reward society and lower public safety expenses.

Homelessness is inexorably tied to affordable housing. A path to affordable housing is needed for those without a place to stay. We need to continue reaching out with social services. The aged, those needing healthcare, addicted, mental health challenged all need help. As much as possible we should understand how our homeless found themselves in these circumstances and prevent the start of homelessness.

Mass transit is a key element of any city. The Seattle mass transit system can reach out to every neighborhood. My job will be to reach that goal.

My name is Eric Smiley and I am meeting the people of Seattle. I am the one listening to the people of Seattle. And I am running for Seattle City Council Position 9 so I can robustly represent Seattle residents. , what they are concerned about, and where our good work should be done.

## M. Lorena González

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Councilmember Lorena González grew up as a migrant farmworker in the Yakima Valley; earning her first paycheck at age 8. A lifelong commitment to hard work, a passion for fairness, and a belief in the power of education has shaped Lorena's progressive values and service to Seattle. A longtime civil rights attorney, Lorena puts our values into action – leading on issues that she will build upon in a second term, including:

**Protecting Immigrants & Refugees:** One of every five Seattle residents is foreign born. The fear of being unfairly targeted by the policies of Donald Trump are real – that's why Lorena created a \$1 million legal defense fund for free civil legal aid to our immigrant community.

**Safe Communities:** As chair of the Gender Equity, Safe Communities & New Americans Committee Lorena secured new resources to combat domestic violence, sexual assault and neighborhood crime – including gun violence.

Committed to police accountability and oversight. Lorena sponsored legislation that makes the Community Police Commission permanent, creates a new Office of Inspector General of Public Safety and increases civilian staffing at the Office of Police Accountability. Lorena is equally committed to ensuring we have enough police officers and that we have the best-trained officers to address officer and community safety.

**Working Families & Paid Family Leave:** Lorena works to ensure that Seattle's booming economy benefits all residents and workers. In addition to helping implement Seattle's \$15 minimum wage law, Lorena co-sponsored Seattle's secure scheduling law, the second major city in the U.S. to provide predictability for hourly workers.

Knowing we must do more to provide economic stability for families, Lorena is working on a paid parental and family leave policy for all Seattle workers.

**Housing Affordability:** Everyone in Seattle should have access to affordable housing. Lorena will continue to support changes to zoning laws to support smart growth coupled with mass transit, as well as incentives – and penalties – to assure developers build more affordable units.

More than 3,000 people – many women and children – are homeless in our city. That's unacceptable. Lorena will continue addressing known inefficiencies in our emergency shelter system, increase accountability for city-funded services, and accelerate construction of "Housing First" permanent housing options.

**Proudly endorsed by:** King County Democrats, District Democrat Organizations, King County Labor Council, OneAmerica Votes, Housing & Homeless Advocates, Small Business Owners, Women's Rights & Environmental Leaders and many others.

## Council Position No. 9

## Pat Murakami

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Pat runs for Seattle City Council because of frustration at the inattention to issues affecting livability and at the urging of neighbors, friends, and community leaders. As a mother, she wants to ensure Seattle is a place our children are proud to call home.

Pat's lifelong **commitment to community engagement and consensus-building** is extensive: as Cleveland H.S. PTSA President, board member of numerous nonprofits, and long-term President of the South Seattle Crime Prevention Council, where cooperation between diverse communities and police result in increased public safety and engagement.

A seasoned and successful small business owner (IT firm), Pat has a BA in Sociology and an MBA. Her IT work with companies of various sizes, industries and regional locations gives her invaluable insight into what **businesses need to flourish and create living-wage jobs**.

If elected, Pat will be the only Councilmember with business experience.

Pat brings solid expertise and a **commitment to the greater good for positive solutions**:

- **Affordable Housing:** We graciously tax ourselves to provide affordable housing, only to see rents soar and our property taxes price us out of the City. Councilmember Gonzalez voted in favor of developers -- ONLY 2% affordable units in the University District and South Lake Union -- for which they receive huge tax breaks. Pat will ensure we have INCLUSIONARY development that serves a diverse socio-economic populace.
- **Homelessness Crisis & Drug Epidemic:** How can our City Council allow intolerable living conditions in tents/sheds? We currently lack coordination between the 100+ agencies dealing with homelessness. Pat wants our City to create an indoor-living campus with all necessary social services, on-site, to **assist and empower** the homeless, mentally ill and drug addicted, thereby **encouraging individuals to reach their potential**, find jobs and attain proper housing.
- **Infrastructure:** Explosive growth comes at a cost. Developers haven't been held accountable for impact fees, forcing residents to pay for schools, roads, increased police & fire staffing, water treatment, etc. It's time to **end corporate welfare**.
- **Public Engagement:** Pat will actively seek residents' input on all major issues. She will be your **representative** at City Hall.
- **Economic Development:** The City's narrow focus on development has resulted in **social inequity and disparities in wealth**. Pat has creative solutions to boost other sectors of the economy, create jobs, and restore neighborhood vibrancy without gentrification or displacement.

"I will restore the voice of neighborhoods at City Hall."

Visit [votepatmurakami.org](http://votepatmurakami.org) for list of endorsements.

## Council Position No. 5

## Susan Chang

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**Occupation:** Civil Engineering Supervisor, Seattle Dept. of Construction and Inspections

**Statement:** Our family moved to Shoreline in 2009 because of the great schools, involved communities, and amazing parks. I am running for City Council to preserve and enhance what many residents love about our City. I have been an active volunteer in my neighborhood for many years.

Many challenges now face Shoreline, including two light-rail stations opening in 2023 with accompanying growth and traffic issues, sustainability of the City budget, and economic development. We need thoughtful planning by the City that relies on sincere listening to our neighborhoods and businesses. The City decision-making process needs to be easier to understand so that everyone can provide thoughtful input.

I pledge to listen to your concerns, research the issues, be a consensus-builder, and make decisions that benefit the citizens and businesses of Shoreline.

Endorsements: Representative Ryu, Shoreline Deputy Mayor Winstead, Councilmembers Scully and McConnell, and many of your friends and neighbors

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**Education:** BA Russian Literature and minor Psychology, MSW Social Work

**Occupation:** Retired Social Worker

**Statement:** I have strong community roots, living in Shoreline over 40 years. I love the people, small town feel, trees, birds, open spaces and way of life. My goal is a green Shoreline based on sustainable growth and development, with strong support for cultural diversity. I am running for City Council to send a message that we do not need radical, massive redevelopment to be a competitive city and that we must welcome all our residents no matter where they come from.

I have 36 years experience in social work caring for children and families who have been abused including local tribes. As a WFSE union officer and board member for Women of Wisdom, I have the experience to preserve a City that cares about the future, honors our environment and respects the needs of all of its citizens! Shoreline should be a city that cares for all of its families.

## Carolyn Ahlgreen

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**Education:** North Seattle College, Advanced coursework Seattle University, Mediation and Arbitration certification

**Occupation:** Home Health Caregiver, member SEIU, Family Advocate, Court Appointed Mediator

**Statement:** Because of changes due to light rail, we see housing units being built on smaller lots, without street lights, sidewalks, and safe places for families and children to play. Will the people in those new houses, which are being advertised as "within walking distance to light rail," actually be able to walk there safely? What quality of life will the people of future Shoreline have in their more densely populated city? How do we help long time Shoreline residents stay in their homes? How does Shoreline continue to have award winning schools? How can city council encourage family wage job growth? While we plan regionally, how does city council ensure that these multi-city development projects, like ST3, actually bring good things to Shoreline? What Shoreline residents want their future home to look like must be answered not just by elected officials, but by all of us together.

Council Position No. 5

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**Education:** UA Steamfitter Apprenticeship, continued education in Construction, Project Management, Estimating, Scheduling, Contract Negotiations  
**Occupation:** Retired Steamfitter, Project Manager, Estimator  
**Statement:** Tukwila and the Puget Sound Region is experiencing major construction growth. With this growth the demand for qualified workers is over whelming. I believe with my experience and contacts within the construction industry I can help to promote our community as source for qualified manpower and an ideal location for new development and housing projects. We must think progressively to help ensure our city is not left behind.  
 My wife and I have been married 30 years and we have owned our home here for over 20 years. We raised our daughter in Tukwila and she bought her first home here. 2 of our 4 grandsons attend school in Tukwila. My wife has been employed with Tukwila Fire Department for over 27 years. I am on the Planning Commission and active within the community. My roots are deep in Tukwila and my passion is strong for our city.

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**Education:** University of Washington Tacoma as a Politics, Philosophy, and Economics major  
**Occupation:** No information submitted.  
**Statement:** Born to Immigrant parents, Armen Papyan knows the value of diversity. By embracing our differences and sharing our experiences, we can continue to support the diverse community of Tukwila. Having attended Foster High School and being elected the ASB President, Papyan was actively involved in the Tukwila School District the most diverse district in the nation. This experience introduced him to the importance of inclusion and influenced his decision to attend the University of Washington Tacoma as a Politics, Philosophy, and Economics major.  
 Looking forward Papyan will work to create collaborative efforts to improve affordable housing, cheap and accessible transportation systems specifically designed for Tukwila residents. Papyan will also focus on education by building the bridge between the school board and the city council to foster a collaborative environment with a focus on student achievement. A true Tukwila resident, Armen Papyan will work to improve our community.

Coletha Y. Albert

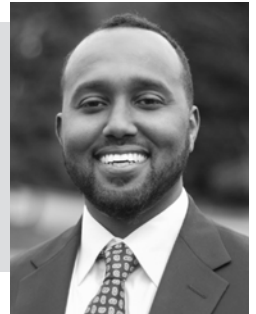
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**Education:** Emergency Management Institute  
**Occupation:** Director  
**Statement:** In Tukwila, Washington since 2009.  
 I have lived my entire adult life knowing that who a person is can be defined in the instance of crises. It is easy to remain calm, cool & collected in times a peace, in an agreeable environment.  
 As our environment changes, we need someone equipped to handle environmental crises...I am that person who enjoys challenges in Disaster Preparedness for seven years. I am a published writer and a mother and grandmother.  
 I have a heart for Tukwila and her citizens I look forward to serving if elected to The Tukwila City Council, Position 5. Thank you.

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Construction Engineering Management, University of Washington  
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**Statement:** My family fled Somalia to the Puget Sound to escape the civil war. My parents stressed the values of a good education and hard work and I achieved the American dream.  
 I want your vote for Tukwila City Council to make sure that every resident has the same opportunities I had. We need to support growing small businesses, develop job-training programs with local schools, and invest in Tukwila residents. We must address our transportation problems to attract more businesses to Tukwila. We must improve our road network and advocate more for accessible public transportation.  
 I serve on the Community Oriented Policing Citizen's Advisory Board, and the OneAmerica and Matt Griffin YMCA boards. I also volunteer with Action Tukwila and as a youth soccer coach.  
 Endorsements: Senator Bob Hasegawa, Tukwila Council-members Joe Duffee, De'Sean Quinn, Verna Seal and Thomas McLeod, the King County Labor Council, King County Democrats and OneAmerica Votes.

## Director District No. 4



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**Education:** Master of Arts (M.A.) in Education Administration; Bachelor of Arts (B.A.); Peace Corps TESL Training

**Occupation:** School Principal, Teacher, ESL/ELT Manager, Curriculum Specialist in 10 countries

**Statement:** I am seeking your vote - *a vote for our children and youth for their future* - as a candidate for Seattle School Board.

As a lifelong career professional educator, teacher, school principal, education consultant, ESL training manager, business owner *in 10 countries worldwide* (USA, Thailand, Vietnam, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Yemen, Iraq, U.A.E., Germany, and Cambodia), I have a proved successful blend of teaching, administrative, and business experience in both USA and international K-12, university, and adult educational organizations, particularly in designing & implementing ESL training programs and K-12 curriculum models. Additionally I have organized and conducted teacher training workshops and seminars in various international educational organizations and cross-cultural venues.

No other candidate in this election has my professional, personal, and academic qualifications, as our schools are not a "corporate business" long misruled and made dysfunctional by corporate politicians masquerading as "public education officials", but are instead a mutual partnership among their own learners, teachers, and parents - the people own our schools, not these corporate politicos.

A primary professional interest of mine is teacher training & re-training, and mentoring teachers in learner-interaction-based, learner-centered classroom learning environments where *the learner is the active participant, not a passive spectator, in his/her own learning discoveries and attainments*. I have extensive professional expertise and experience with learner-interaction-based instructional approaches, strategies, and methods for classroom learning environments at K-12, adult, and university levels. The USA corporate 'public education system' has too long cheated and victimized our youth by making them into *dumbed-down spectators* in the classroom instead of the actual actors, participants, and doers in their own learning activities and experiences.

The time is now for reform and redevelopment of our K-12 public education, and *I very sincerely ask your vote for our youth and our parents for their future*.

Herb Camet, Jr.

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Carnegie Mellon University; Juris Doctor cum laude, Northwestern University School of Law

**Occupation:** Fiscal Specialist, Hamilton International Middle School

**Statement:** Sadly, our District has too often been guilty of insufficient planning, research and community engagement, and this has repeatedly led to unnecessary disruption and tumult in the life of Seattle students. Facilities planning, enrollment planning, fiscal planning... we can do better and I will lead in this effort with my data analysis and systems thinking, honed as an attorney, as an Institutional Planning and Budget Analyst, and as a Fiscal Specialist for Seattle Public Schools.

In addition, I want to work with Seattle families to ensure that the District offers vibrant alternatives to our traditional teaching methods, and that all of our kids will flourish - whether that requires additional enrichment and academic foundational work, emotional and social supports, extra offerings in the arts or in STEM, or adaptive skills to help students move forward and be successful in their post-school years. We desperately need to focus our attention on closing the achievement gap, but school should be a place that is joyous for kids to learn, and I believe we should redirect resources to provide those different experiences within the context of the Seattle Public Schools. We need a better run system with better offerings in Seattle, not charter schools or vouchers.

I have years of experience in the District as an ear and an advocate for families, students and schools - through teacher layoffs, student reassignments, difficult financial times and challenging capacity issues. I have two SPS students: one Hamilton Middle School 7th grader who will move to Robert Eagle Staff Middle School for 8th grade, and a 10th grader who is in the SpEd inclusion program at Ingraham High School.

I am a volunteer, a former PTSA president, and a long-time supporter of Seattle Public Schools. Let's work together and improve our Seattle Public School District!

## Director District No. 4



## Darrell Toland

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**Education:** I graduated from California State University, Sacramento with a BA

**Occupation:** I work as an User Interface and motion Designer.

**Statement:** I live in Ballard with my two daughters Madelayne and Lillian who attend Seattle Public Schools. I was asked to run for School Board because I know firsthand that some things need to change. Examples:

My daughters graduated from Loyal Heights Elementary, where the District is now proceeding to replace a school sized for the health of the children and neighborhood to one "mega" school lacking adequate play area and a footprint out of scale with the density of the neighborhood. This project is out of budget and will have the highest ratio of administrative staff to teachers in the country. SPS claims this project is green but uses outdated tech (geothermal) and plans on busing to make it viable. The cost of heating and cooling will be enormous. Hundreds of school families and neighbors opposed this plan. The School Board "listened", but failed to act. Only one Board member brought forward a proposal to keep Loyal Heights as a reasonable neighborhood school. The vote was six to one. If you elect me, the next will be five to two. It's a start.

Rather than buy back schools the District wrongly sold, the District built monstrous schools and shrank playgrounds at Thornton Creek and Pinehurst / Hazel Wolf, and plans to reopen Magnolia Elementary after shrinking *its* playground. Children need places to play. Look at Finland. First in world education. They integrate play instead of an afterthought. Weird.

The Board should vote independently from District administration and make it stick. Lunch and recess are too short. Stop leaning on PTA money and stop budgeting by formulas: budget by need and what makes sense.

Magnolia Elementary used to house the African American Academy; the District built the Academy its own school – and then closed it...and then reopened it. Whew.

## Megan Locatelli Hyska

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**Education:** BA in Sociology Western WA University (2005), AA Green River College (2003), Tahoma HS (2002)

**Occupation:** Executive Director of Foothold NW & Principal at Dellaloca Design

**Statement:** Every student deserves an affordable and equitable education. I believe that our public schools should be the cornerstone of this value, and should be on even footing with charter and private schools to provide a successful future. I believe in teaching a balance of science, humanities, the arts, health/physical education, and foundational life skills. These life skills include mental health, depression and bullying; non-violent communication and conflict resolution; critical thinking and privacy in the age of social media; preparing for death and grief legally and emotionally; credit cards and money management; and making healthy food choices (how to compare prices, shop, and cook).

I am not a mother yet myself (except to Boomer and Molly the cats), but have been an aunt since 1996 and am currently trusted to give love and support to nine niblings (AKA nieces and nephews).

I have worked in non-profits for 12 years have participated in education reform advocacy and volunteer work throughout that time. I have been a co-facilitator of the anti-racism committee (and white caucus) at Solid Ground Washington, Free Tax Prep volunteer for United Way of King County, classroom helper at First Place School, and receptionist at Ballard Senior Center.

I am currently the Principal at Dellaloca Design and the Executive Director of Foothold NW. Dellaloca Design supports the mission of nonprofits and local artists by providing affordable digital and print marketing consulting. Foothold NW is a non-profit startup looking to disrupt and change how higher education is funded. We focus on education, student loan assistance and advocacy. Follow our work at <http://www.footholdnw.org>, on Facebook & Twitter (FootholdNW), and on Instagram (FootholdNorthwest). You can also find my work and education background detail on LinkedIn at <https://tinyurl.com/linkedinMLH>.

## Director District No. 4



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**Occupation:** Healthcare Office Supervisor

**Statement:** I am a longtime resident of Queen Anne and a lifelong Seattleite, born and raised in the south end of Seattle. Making the Seattle Public School experience great is personal for me as my 4-year-old daughter will enter kindergarten in the 2018-2019 school year and my husband is a graduate of Seattle Public Schools.

My parents sent me to private school for grades 1 - 12, with the belief they were providing a better education for me. I want to change that perception; a private school education in Seattle is different but should not be "better" than a public school education.

All children deserve access to an excellent education. As part of the Seattle School Board I would work to raise the high school graduation rate in Seattle schools, provide more affordable preschool spaces for Seattle children, give school teachers the support they deserve, give our children more playground space along with adequate lunch and recess time, provide more oversight on "gap-closing" initiatives for African American students, and promote better neighborhood engagement.

Rezoning for elementary schools is currently happening in my neighborhood. Some families living within blocks of a school would be in a zone for a school farther away and other families, mine included, would be zoned to send their children across a busy four lane road to a school in a different neighborhood. We should involve and engage the entire community in pre planning discussions and meetings when such disruptive changes are proposed. We should work proactively rather than reactively to meet these growth challenges.

It would be an honor and privilege to serve.

Please elect Jennifer Crow.

## Eden Mack

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**Education:** Masters in Public Administration, University of Washington, Evans School; B.A. Western Washington University

**Occupation:** Parent, Education Advocacy Volunteer, former Sustainability Management Consultant

**Statement:** As the mother of three children in Seattle Public Schools (SPS) and longtime education advocate and policy analyst, I know intimately that schools in our diverse district have great successes because of our families, educators, administrators and community, *in spite* of the challenges of chronic under funding from Olympia, crowded buildings from Seattle's growth, and racial and economic inequity.

I'm ready to serve Seattle's schools – the center of our communities – to invest in our community and ensure opportunity for every child. Born in Seattle, I've lived here most of my life, from Lower Queen Anne to Fremont and for the last 9 years in Magnolia. As an objective listener and problem-solver, I will continue to fight for policies that support schools, retain educators, serve students with diverse learning needs, and those that increase equity.

Serving as legislative chair for Seattle Council of Parent, Teacher and Student Associations (SCPTSA) since 2014, I've engaged with diverse community members and driven policy advocacy on education issues with SPS, the City, and State. I served as founding President of Washington's Paramount Duty, an organization dedicated to full funding of basic education. I have 12+ years of professional experience with 8+ years of board experience, and also served as the Youth, Schools and Education Committee chair for City Neighborhood Council, and recently on the SPS Capacity Management Task Force.

I'm grateful for broad support including: 36th District Democrats; education champions Sebrena Burr, Rita Green, Melissa Westbrook, Heidi Bennett, Lyon Terry and Summer Stinson; current School Board Directors Sue Peters, Leslie Harris, Rick Burke, and Jill Geary; legislators Gerry Pollet, Bob Hasegawa, Gael Tarelton, Reuven Carlyle, Jessyn Farrell, and Noel Frame; more at [electedenmack.com](http://electedenmack.com).



Director District No. 4

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Marketing Management, Western Governors University

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**Statement:** Thank you for your consideration in electing me the next School Board Director for District 4. In light of recent events with the election of President Trump and the values of his administration, notably Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, it is paramount that ordinary people step up for public office and agree to be a part of the change. I seek the confidence of local citizens to support me in my bid for School Board, and I will be an advocate for racial justice and aggressively recommending the decolonization of the curriculum. Also, I will advocate financial auditing and upset the bureaucratic systems set in place by the school systems like finding ways to decrease operation costs of the bus system. Instead of public meetings on the first and third Wednesday at 4:15pm each month, I will be recommending moving the first Wednesday meeting to the first Saturday each month in order to diversify the voices able to come before the board and speak by allowing people that could never attend a Wednesday afternoon meeting in central Seattle to attend a meeting on Saturdays.

If elected to the School Board, it will be my duty to always advocate on behalf of students in the public school system. I promise to the best of my ability to loudly and clearly stand up in defense of students in order to effect positive changes that not only reduce our drop-out rates but find opportunities to develop a useful curriculum that can help our students become resilient and successful citizens of Seattle.

# Clarification on Seattle School District races

In the primary, the director districts are voted on by registered voters living in the director district. In the general election, these districts are voted at large by all registered voters in the Seattle School District.



## Director District No. 5



## Omar Vasquez

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**Education:** BS Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Wharton; JD, University of Arizona, James Rogers College of Law

**Occupation:** Former high school teacher; Business & Tax Attorney

**Statement:** *The Only Candidate with Public School Teaching Experience*

The promise of public education is to empower students to be successful in our global economy and to break free from intergenerational poverty. Yet in Seattle we are facing a crisis. Seattle Public Schools have the fifth *worst* achievement/opportunity gap in the country. Low-income students (disproportionately students of color) are falling further behind grade-level, dropping out at higher rates, and experiencing unjust disciplinary disparities, relative to students in wealthier neighborhoods.

And it's not just low-income families: our students are next to *last* in the nation for science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) training, even though Washington is *first* in the nation in STEM jobs.

For six years, I taught Freshman Algebra, AP Calculus, and International Baccalaureate Math at a low-income public high school. For two of those years, I was the department chair serving the needs of approximately 2,500 students. I have a proven record propelling high-performing students, making gains with struggling students, and training new teachers. I want to leverage that experience on behalf of Seattle's kids.

I am the only candidate with the experience in education, law, and finance necessary to effectively manage the multi-billion dollar Seattle Public Schools enterprise.

I envision Seattle becoming the first city in the nation to provide a world-class education to *all* students -- a city where income, race, and neighborhood are no longer predictors of student success. STEM is critical. But in the era of fake news and "alternative facts," so are research skills, critical thinking, and civics to prepare students to be tomorrow's leaders. We can live up to our progressive ideals, but it requires bold leadership. Our schools and our students deserve no less.

I'm running for school board to make this vision a reality. I hope to earn your vote.

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**Education:** BA, The Evergreen State College, Focus: Technology & Community Systems

**Occupation:** Senior Management Consultant

**Statement:** As a public school parent with three children (kindergarten to high school), a former mentor at the King County Juvenile Detention Center and a previous PTA volunteer, I bring an understanding of challenges facing our students and teachers, and the manner in which policy impacts children and families.

As a consultant, I have worked in the public and private sectors and have direct experience in supporting government agencies in improving policies and operational processes. With roots in facilitation, strategic planning and technology, I bring valuable skills to approach school board priorities and new strategies in thoughtful ways. With uncertain funding, my experience in lean management and operations will be an asset to the community.

Issues I want to tackle:

Strategies for narrowing opportunity gaps

Enrollment growth and building capacities

Ensuring adequate lunch and recess times

Reducing the time spent on testing

Providing all families with a voice in Seattle Public Schools

Seattle has 54,000 students being served in 99 buildings, with 143 languages/dialects spoken, 3,000 students who are homeless and 34% of students facing food and housing insecurity. We have an opportunity to make our school district a national leader in providing quality education. I will work collaboratively to create solutions that meet our city's needs taking into account all of our families.

The challenges facing our district—some organic, some the result of shortsighted planning—require leaders who listen, seek information from both supporting and opposing viewpoints, and who apply their highest, most creative thinking to decisions. I will bring these abilities to the School Board. I ask for your support and vote.

Early Endorsements: 36th Legislative District Democrats; School board directors: Sue Peters, Leslie Harris, Betty Patu; Rita Green, MBA, Education Advocate; Amy Hagopian, PhD; Barbara Kelley, Co-President, Garfield PTSA; Wayne Au, Professor of Education, UW Bothell.

## Director District No. 5



## Candace Vaivadas

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**Education:** Bachelors: Communications & Comp.Literature & Cultural Studies, Franklin University Switzerland; Masters: Culture Industry, University London

**Occupation:** Licensed Private Investigator & Tutor

**Statement:** My family has resided in Seattle on Beacon Hill since 1908, with every generation attending public schools. That's over 100 years of feeling the effects of School Board choices. I know we can do better.

As a child, my divorced mother struggled to balance family and career, and I have intimate knowledge of how poverty affects students-supporting struggling families, providing better food in our schools, and ensuring that no student goes hungry remains essential in our district, and I will protect these programs and support developing them as the cost of living rises in our city.

Throughout my life, and now as a tutor through University Tutors in Seattle Schools at Chief Sealth High School, I've seen what People of Color, immigrant families, Native Americans and the most marginalized endure both in and outside of school. I will fight for their equity and support in our school district.

During the period of Affirmative Action in Seattle, I was bused to a North End school and the obvious educational inequality that I witnessed then continues today- I pledge to work to reduce this disparity as it is pivotal in equalizing education across Seattle.

As a licensed Private Investigator specializing in police conduct, I've seen the effects of the school-to-prison pipeline; reducing this problem is my mission.

Our advanced placement and gifted programs should be based on ability not circumstance; ensuring that students are held to grade level standards throughout their education will support diversity in these classes.

I will advocate for a Superintendent who challenges legislators to adequately fund public education including supporting STEM, Career Technical Education, and the Arts.

I promise to be a dedicated advocate for our children and I will strive to support a school district that produces young adults that are ready to meet today's challenges.

## Zachary Pullin DeWolf

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Western Washington University

**Occupation:** All Home Program Manager, Volunteer Commissioner with Seattle Housing Authority

**Statement:** I'm running for School Board to support students and serve families because I believe in Seattle's future as one where all students thrive. Our schools must do more to celebrate the diverse students and families that make up our city. To make sure every child has a path to succeed, we must foster inclusion and community.

As a Chippewa Cree tribal member, housing commissioner, LGBTQ community advocate, I've witnessed the value of inclusive decision-making. As a Braille teacher, I opened and operated a library during my time in the Peace Corps. As I meet with parents and students around the district, I'm told time and again how they feel ignored and their requests go unanswered. I'll be their voice and your champion on the School Board. We need innovative and comprehensive solutions to address the achievement and opportunity gaps. I'll invest in programs that accommodate diverse student needs like IB programs, strengthened special education, individualized instruction, and positive behavioral intervention.

We must protect public education. Unlike other candidates in this race, I'm staunchly opposed to charter schools. Giving parents more choice and control doesn't mean we need to drain resources from public schools. I'll push the legislature to fully fund education and invest more in our students and teachers. To foster a productive learning environment for our students, we have a responsibility to ensure Seattle Public Schools are safe, welcoming, and inclusive. Improving the pathways to success for disproportionately impacted students like students of color, LGBTQ students, students experiencing homelessness or housing instability, students with disabilities, and undocumented students will greatly improve the future success of all.

I'm proudly endorsed by Rep. Nicole Macri, Seattle School Board member Jill Geary, Seattle City Councilmember Debora Juarez, Sheriff John Urquhart, former PTA President Marina Gray. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

## Director District No. 5

### Alec Cooper

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**Education:** MBA, University of Texas at Austin, BA History, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Occupation:** Director of Strategic Business Development, Amazon

**Statement:** I am a former President and Treasurer of the Garfield High School PTSA and a parent with two daughters in Seattle Public Schools (SPS). I have worked in technology for 20 years and my focus is on solving complex problems, understanding and meeting customer needs, and getting results. Like many of you, I also have a deep belief in the importance of public education.

I'm running to be your School Board Director because I believe that the district is dysfunctional, underperforming and in need of systemic change. In Seattle, nearly one out of three K-12 students opt out of the free public school system and pay for private school. When families opt out, we lose their engagement, money, and passion for making our schools great. We also create a fundamentally inequitable and inefficient two-tier system.

We have gotten to this place through years of mismanagement and poor leadership in SPS. The school district is clearly both unresponsive to families and not accountable to stakeholders. In the 2016 School Climate Survey, only 22% of families felt that the central office was responsive to their concerns. The district is currently on track to meet only about half of their 2017-18 strategic targets.

We can do better.

I will be your advocate and watchdog on district responsiveness and accountability, pushing to rebuild district culture and leadership to create a culture of putting families, not bureaucracy, first.

I will hold the district accountable on strategic goals, including critical goals on closing opportunity gaps which are not currently on track.

I will prioritize teachers and teacher pay, as well as professional development and curriculum.

I will push the district to build win-win partnerships to ensure the local business community is invested in our children's success.

I would be honored to have your support. Thank you.

## Director District No. 7



## Chelsea Byers

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Economics/Political Science, University of Oregon Honors College; Master's from London School of Economics

**Occupation:** Vice President of Instruction, Galvanize

**Statement:** Our community members are working hard to support our students, and yet Seattle Public Schools has some of the worst achievement gaps in the country instead of being the kind of model, equitable and innovative school district we believe it can be. For too long, we haven't had a functional school board that can effectively address these challenges. As a career educator who has also worked in the tech sector, I want to help Seattle Public Schools prepare all of our students to compete and thrive in the Washington economy. Working in technology education, I see the gulf between what companies are hiring for and the limited access to STEM skills training that many of our students have. Our district needs a well-functioning school board that sets clear priorities for the kind of education we want to offer all students, and supports our teachers and community members in aligning our resources.

As someone who has helped grow companies and oversee operations, I see an opportunity to prioritize funding to programs that improve academic rigor for all students, and particularly for our low-income and students of color. We need strong and engaged leaders to work within our communities to tackle problems head on and explore and research real solutions to immediately help our kids.

Spending time supporting kids in our community is an ongoing value for me. Volunteering regularly as an academic support tutor for foster youth, and with organizations helping to provide access in tech, underscores the amazing potential that our Seattle kids have. I would be honored to bring my business, operations and education experience to the job of being a collaborative, thoughtful board member who will fight for all of our kids.

## Betty Patu

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Education, Antioch University; Master's in Education Administration, Antioch University

**Occupation:** Retired, Seattle Public Schools

**Statement:** There are few who understand the challenges of today's schools or the communities who fill them. My proven Leadership, Results and Experience have differentiated me from my opponents. I have dedicated my life to understanding the dynamics of providing quality education to diverse groups.

**I Have Proven Leadership**

I retired after 32 years of successfully directing educational programs recognized to increase graduation rates, college-bound students and reduced gang violence, as highlighted in the New York Times. I was responsible for having the highest number of South Pacific Islander students graduate from public school in any one year. The notoriety of my program prompted Seattle Public Schools to expand my outreach to include *All* students in which I've continued this same success. My late husband and I inspired our 5 children, each accomplished with college degrees, to proudly carry their legacy of service to their communities. I believe, "A child is a life, a life produces change as we responsibly make a difference in these lives".

**I Have Proven Results**

My persistence in partnering with parents, students, staff and community in the schools I have served as Seattle School Board Director of District 7 for 2 terms, have shown significant improvements through Higher test scores, Increased graduation rates, Lower truancy rates and Increased family involvement. I am truly proud!

**I Have Proven Experience**

My Colleagues, Seattle School Board Directors, who represent the other Districts have endorsed my Re-election to serve on the Board again. I've treated all communities with respect, ensured the safety of all our children and advocated for equitable and quality education. There is a great deal of work left to accomplish together as I represent the voices of District 7. I need your support and vote to Re-Elect me, Betty Patu, for Seattle School Board Director, District 7

## Director District No. 7

### Tony Hemphill

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**Education:** B.S., Univ. of Washington/Excelsior Univ., M.B.A., Davenport Univ., Doctorate of Chiropractic, Life University

**Occupation:** Doctor of Chiropractic

**Statement:** My name is Dr. Tony Hemphill and I have been a Doctor of Chiropractic in Seattle for over 15 years. I am a proud father of 4 beautiful children who all grew up in South Seattle. For the past 18 years I've watched them go through the Seattle Public School System and have become very familiar with it's inner workings.

Like many families, we have faced issues within the school system that could be handled more effectively. Searching for answers and resolve for many experiences my family has endured, ignited my passion to become a leader on the school board. My plan is to make sure children of all backgrounds have a successful experience in the public school system.

My objectives:

**Standards:** Zero tolerance for bullying and violence. South Seattle is a wonderfully diverse area and unfortunately this results in fear which can be displayed by bullying and violence. Consequences should be clear and in place to correct this behavior.

**Education:** Cultural education for teachers and students should be a requirement made available. Teachers should be aware of differences in their students and families. It will lead to a better learning environment, delete stereotypes and decrease ignorance.

**Role Models:** An area that is lacking diversity are our teachers. Teachers are some of the first role models our children encounter and they impact our children for the rest of their lives. It's important for role models to be relatable and teachers should be comprised of all backgrounds. We must have increased teacher diversity of all gender and races.

These are but a few of the concerns that I will act on. I will listen and act on your concerns, because they affect all of our children as a whole.

Thank you for your consideration

Vote for Tony Hemphill

Commissioner District No. 1



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**Occupation:** Manager Base Operations/Metro Transit/King County

**Statement:** Born in Rotterdam, Holland (Netherlands). Grew up in Salt Lake City, UT. Joined U.S. Army 1961-69. Returned from Vietnam 1968. Stationed Ft. Lewis 1968-69. Worked for Metro Transit / King County 1969-2004. I have lived in the great City of Renton, WA, since 1972. I volunteered at Valley Medical Hospital for approximately three years at the surgery information desk.

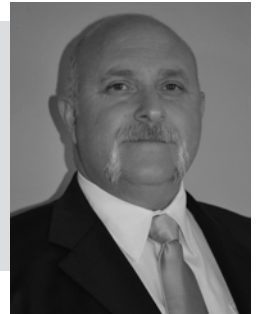
I am running for Commissioner as a citizen concerned about the drastic budget short fall and reduction in hospital staffing at Valley Medical Center and the impact this will have on our local community. I have supported the hospital over the past years by voting "yes" on every levy to improve and help the hospital to be the best for our community. As a past volunteer and longtime patient of Valley Medical doctors, I support the men and women who give their time to make the hospital and patient care a better and friendlier place. I am a strong proponent for maintaining local control of our hospital and will hold the current administration and CEO's feet to the fire regarding proper use of our tax dollars, including executive compensation and benefits. I will take my role as a community representative and advocate very seriously with patient safety and quality my number one priority.

If I am elected, I look forward to working with the current commissioners and management staff. It is time for an objective view point from a citizen who can bring a fresh perspective to the board, who has been associated with the hospital as a volunteer and a patient, for a long period of time.

I hope I can count on your vote.

Todd Starkey

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**Education:** Highline Community College, National Fire Academy, continuing education specific to military and fire service responsibilities

**Occupation:** Battalion Chief, Port of Seattle Fire Department

**Statement:** My 25 years of professional experience as a first responder, in addition to my personal investment as a 13-year member of the Valley Medical Healthcare system, provide me with a unique and committed perspective in running for Public Hospital District 1, Commissioner District 1.

I believe that local stewardship of Valley Medical is vital in keeping the community's needs in focus. A strong and committed partnership with the University of Washington will continue to bring the best of the University's programs and offerings to healthcare in South King County. I am committed to maintaining fiscal responsibility on behalf of the local community while identifying opportunities to maximize efficiencies and manage costs.

My varied professional and life experiences, including service in the United States Marine Corps, management of private sector businesses, and as a Chief in the fire service, give me the skills and ability to serve on your behalf in shaping our community's healthcare future.

## Commissioner District No. 1

## Erin Aboudara

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**Education:** Kentridge High School; Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Seattle Pacific University

**Occupation:** Kent PTA Mom, Concerned Citizen and Community Leader

**Statement:** I am seeking your vote to represent you as *your Hospital Commissioner*.

I am running for Hospital Commissioner because like you and your neighbors, *I'm very upset control of Valley Medical Center was taken away from our elected commissioners and given to unelected Trustees appointed and controlled by UW Medicine who can raise your property taxes!*

The UW-Valley Alliance was a scheme devised by CEO Rich Roodman to protect his million dollar salary by turning control of Valley to Trustees appointed by UW Medicine who are completely unaccountable to us voters.

I support asking the legislature to return control of our hospital district to the voters who support Valley with our tax dollars!

I have deep roots in this district and graduated from Kentridge High School. I have been married to Casey for 21 years and we have two children who attend Kent Schools. I participate each year in the Seattle Walk for Autism Speaks and have been a PTA volunteer for many years because these are issues important to my heart.

In 2013 I was appointed by the County Council to the *King County Women's Advisory Board* and helped create the County's *paid family leave policy*. I also served as Vice President of our neighborhood association.

*My daughter was born at Valley and my family's doctors are at Valley. For many of us, Valley is an important community asset and we need to assure it benefits the community which supports Valley with our tax dollars.*

Our "elected" Commissioners rather than "appointed" Trustees should be responsible for ensuring Valley provides high quality, affordable health care while remaining financially viable.

*If you elect me as your commissioner, I'll fight to return control of Valley to elected Commissioners and fight for high quality, affordable patient care!*

I'd appreciate your vote! Thank you.

## Ronald Nolten

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** I have been a resident of Renton for the past 42 years and would appreciate the opportunity to serve the community as your Hospital Commissioner Position No. 1. I have been married for 44 years and have two adult children and four grandchildren. I would like to see quality and affordable healthcare continue at Valley Medical Center.

I served on the Board of Directors at the Associated Builders and Contractors and as its president in 1998. I also served on the finance committee and the committee that oversees Labor & Industry claims during my 28 years as a member of this organization. With 45 years of construction experience and 30 years as owner of Dochnahl Construction, I hope to be an advocate for cost effective construction for current and future hospital projects.

Endorsements:

Denis Law Mayor of Renton

Don Persson Renton City Council

Bernie Dochnahl Board of Trustee

Denny Dochnahl Business owner

Don Jacobson Past Commissioner

Elaine Haroldson 38 Yr. Resident & retired teacher

Dr. Robert Thompson

Cheryl Nowacki



## Proposition No. 1 Sales Tax for Cultural Access Program

The King County Council passed Ordinance No. 18513 to establish and fund a cultural access program. The program would expand access to arts, science, and heritage programming throughout King County. The program would include cultural education in schools and transportation to cultural venues for public school students. The program would also provide funding for cultural organizations to expand programming, including to serve diverse and underserved populations. The cultural access program, including administrative costs, would be funded by a county sales tax increase of one-tenth of one percent for seven years beginning January 1, 2018. Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

*The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 66.*

### Statement in favor

Submitted by: Bill Nye, Estela Ortega,  
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Over the last decade public funding for science and art education programs has been cut in half, despite the fact that hands-on arts, science and heritage education can dramatically improve a child's success. Proposition 1 will help.

Proposition 1 provides dedicated funding for in-class arts, science and heritage education for every kid in every school district, with a priority on low-income schools. Prop. 1 also provides every district free transportation and expanded access to our region's world-class institutions like the Museum of Flight, Pacific Science Center, Seattle Symphony and others.

Many families can't afford tickets to a live performance or a museum. But Proposition 1 will allow regional arts, science and heritage institutions to provide free or reduced tickets for people on a fixed budget, including seniors, people with disabilities, low-income and middle-class families.

Prop. 1 will also provide stable funding for hundreds of smaller community organizations throughout the county, and require large organizations to fund programs region-wide. Furthermore, organizations in historically underserved communities will receive proportionally more funding.

At just \$30 for the average household per year, Proposition 1 will improve equity and expand access to important arts, science and heritage experiences for kids and families. Please vote yes!

### Rebuttal of statement against

"The next generation of engineers, programmers and artists deserve *equal access* to hands-on learning missing in traditional classrooms. Dedicating resources to high-poverty schools, so *every* kid has access to programs that close achievement gaps and open doors to opportunity, is both equitable and urgent. Prop 1 is a small investment that benefits underserved communities and hundreds of small, diverse organizations countywide. Vote Yes!" -Former King County Executive and HUD Deputy Director Ron Sims

### Explanatory statement

If approved by voters, Proposition 1 would authorize an increase in the county sales tax of one-tenth of one percent for seven years beginning January 1, 2018, to fund a cultural access program as authorized under chapter 36.160 RCW.

The program would provide funding to cultural organizations for community-based, regional, and public school access programs to enhance and expand arts, science, and heritage programming. Organizations would be required to provide a variety of public benefits, such as free and low-cost admissions and programming. Larger cultural organizations would also be required to spend 30% of their funding from this program to support access by diverse and underserved populations, and to reach out to communities outside the cities where cultural organizations are primarily located. These larger regional cultural organizations would also be required to spend 20% of their funding from this program on activities to bring art, science, and cultural education to public schools. The public school access program would also fund student transportation to programs at facilities and venues.

The sales tax revenue would also be used for start-up funding and for administrative expenses of the county and the cultural development authority that will manage the program.

The program will have an advisory board. Guidelines, eligibility, and reporting requirements for funded organizations will be developed and maintained. The program administrator will report to the County Council each year on the program, its finances, the number of people served, and the performance of the funded organizations.

For questions about this measure, contact:

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### Statement in opposition

Submitted by: Larry Gossett, Dino Rossi

We both have a long history of supporting arts and culture, but it is *unwise and inequitable to impose another \$500 million regressive sales tax increase on overburdened King County taxpayers.*

Conservatives and liberals alike should unite for tax fairness and better prioritization.

This regressive tax increase impacts low-income and working class folks the most. People feel the burden of the Sound Transit tax increase which pushed our *sales tax over 10%.*

This destroys capacity to fund *higher priorities* like housing, roads, homelessness, and education. With homeless kids living under bridges, why prioritize spending *\$500 million* on arts?

Despite the rhetoric, the bulk of your money will subsidize a handful of large, well-funded organizations with wealthy patrons. The funds for schools, low-income and diverse communities is shameful compared to what politically powerful organizations receive.

An unelected board would control over *half-a-billion dollars* of taxes which lacks accountability.

King County's arts community is already well funded. There is the 1% for the arts policy, and starting in 2021 lodging taxes dedicated to arts and culture will provide \$13 million annually.

As a Seattle Democrat & East King County Republican we ask you to *Vote No. Wrong Tax, Wrong Time, Wrong Priority.*

### Rebuttal of statement in favor

We agree that vibrant arts and cultural organizations are important for strong communities, and we proudly support the robust organizations that already exist in King County.

However, new tax dollars should be spent on higher priorities like housing, congestion relief and human services, especially when those tax dollars come from a regressive source like the sales tax.

This is simply the *Wrong Tax, at the Wrong Time, for the Wrong Priority. Please Vote No.*

## Full text of Ordinance No. 18513

AN ORDINANCE creating the King County Access for All program to support cultural organizations, imposing a one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax to finance the King County Access for All program conditioned on voter approval, and providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on August 1, 2017, of a proposition authorizing the sales and use tax imposed by this ordinance; and amending Ordinance 14482, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.49.060.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The Washington state Legislature declared in Chapter 24, Laws of Washington 2015 that there is a need to provide public and educational benefits and economic support for arts, science and heritage organizations.
2. The King County council, through Motion 14082 and Motion 14299, unanimously endorsed the need to provide public and educational benefits and economic support for arts, science and heritage organizations.
3. King County residents would greatly benefit from improved public access to programs produced by nonprofit arts, science and heritage organizations that would be enabled by an increase in public funding for those organizations.
4. Providing increased financial support for arts, science and heritage organizations in King County is in the public interest and will serve multiple public purposes such as:
  - a. Enhancing and extending the educational reach and offerings of arts, science and heritage organizations will provide all King County residents with meaningful opportunities to explore personal creativity, learn about local history and understand the natural environment, leading to greater civic engagement;
  - b. Ensuring K-12 public school students in all nineteen King County school districts will benefit from greater access to arts, science and heritage organizations, both through in-depth programs in their own classrooms and opportunities for free visits to cultural attractions, leading to better engagement in the classroom and higher graduation rates; and
  - c. Ensuring continued and expanded access to the facilities and programs of arts, science and heritage organizations by economically and geographically underserved populations will benefit all the residents of King County, leading to healthier and more inclusive communities.
5. Access for All funding would ensure that arts, science and heritage organizations are financially healthy and able to continue to provide public benefits.
6. An Access for All program as defined in this ordinance would help to achieve these public purposes and benefits by supporting hundreds of arts, science and heritage organizations providing activities and operating facilities open to the general public throughout King County and by creating new opportunities for students and adults, as well as economically and geographically underserved populations.
7. In 2016, 4Culture convened a series of community study group meetings including organizations of all sizes, disciplines and geographic locations, as well as individuals representing numerous points of view, to develop recommendations regarding the principles for implementation and operation of an Access for All program.
8. A central theme from the study group input was that equity, inclusion and access should be guiding principles of Access for All. Recommendations from the community to advance these principles include:
  - a. Past and existing inequities in access to arts, science and heritage organizations should be deliberately and intentionally addressed by providing higher levels of funding for community-based cultural organizations based in, representative of and serving audiences of communities that experience barriers to access;
  - b. Organizations supported by Access for All should be a vital part of the day-to-day life in their communities;
  - c. Nontraditional and social service organizations that provide cultural programming in their communities should be eligible to receive project-specific funding to serve their constituents, even if the primary purpose of

such an organization is not exclusively arts, science or heritage;

- d. Field trips and cultural education should be augmented by programs provided by arts, science and heritage organizations in classrooms and in other community venues to expand the reach of participation;
  - e. Organizations receiving support from Access for All should reflect the demographics of the communities they serve in their staffs, board, memberships, audiences and programs; and
  - f. Access for All should be administered with transparency and accountability to the public.
9. Access for All funding would allow arts, science and heritage organizations to expand open-to-the-public hours, offer discounted and free admission, award scholarships, participate in public school access programs and build and expand facilities in communities that do not have current facilities for cultural activities.
  10. Access for All funding would advance fair and equitable access to arts, science and heritage organizations throughout King County and would remove barriers to access faced by many segments of the county population.
  11. Access for All funding would foster the creation and development of new cultural organizations throughout King County, reduce geographic barriers and ensure that all residents have easy access to arts, science and heritage resources.
  12. Access for All funding would support the growth and development of arts, science and heritage centers throughout King County to promote healthy and vibrant communities.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

**SECTION 1. Findings.** The council finds and declares that awarding program proceeds to arts, science and heritage organizations as provided in this ordinance is a public purpose within the meaning of Article VII, Section 1 of the Washington State Constitution because such expenditure of public moneys will confer a benefit of reasonably general character to a significant part of the public and primarily serves the public interest.

**SECTION 2. Definitions.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this ordinance unless the context clearly require otherwise.

- A. "Access for All" means the program created by this ordinance for the purpose of enhancing and extending the educational reach and offerings of cultural organizations; ensuring continued and expanded access to the facilities and programs of cultural organizations by underserved populations; and providing financial support for cultural organizations to continue and extend the numerous public benefits they provide.
- B. "Access for All fund" means the county fund that would be established and used exclusively for the purposes established by this ordinance.
- C. "Administrative costs" means all operating, administrative, and maintenance expenses of the county and 4Culture related to the Access for All program.
- D. "Community-based cultural organization" means a cultural organization that can further be characterized as not being a regional cultural organization.
- E. "Community heritage organization" means a community-based cultural organization whose primary purpose is the advancement and preservation of anthropology, heritage or natural history and that either:
  1. Primarily serves communities in a council district in which no regional cultural organization has its principal location; or
  2. Has its principal location in King County and whose primary purpose is the preservation of barns, outbuildings and agriculture-related community spaces.
- F. "Cultural center" means a geographic area in which cultural organizations and facilities are concentrated, are providing cultural activities that draw attendance and participation from surrounding communities and beyond, and is identified as a target for investment in the

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subarea plans required in section 9.B. in this ordinance.

G. "Cultural organization" means a nonprofit corporation in good standing and incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington and recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, with its principal location or locations and conducting a majority of its activities within the county, not including: any agency of the state or any of its political subdivisions; any municipal corporation; any organization that raises moneys for redistribution to multiple cultural organizations; or any radio or television broadcasting network or station, cable communications system, internet-based communications venture or service, newspaper, or magazine. The primary purpose of the organization must be the advancement and preservation of science or technology, the visual or performing arts, zoology, botany, anthropology, heritage or natural history and any organization must directly provide programming or experiences available to the general public. Any organization with the primary purpose of advancing and preserving zoology such as a zoo or an aquarium, must be or support a facility that is accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums or its functional successor.

H. "Equity inclusion public benefits" means the equity inclusion public benefits defined in section 4.A.2. of this ordinance.

I. "Fiscal sponsor" means a community-based cultural organization that receives program moneys and contracts with a sponsored community-based cultural entity pursuant to the terms and conditions of this ordinance and guidelines developed by the program.

J. "4Culture" means the Cultural Development Authority of King County, a public corporation, established by the county under K.C.C. chapter 2.49.

K. "General public benefits" means the general public benefits defined in section 4.A.1. of this ordinance.

L. "Geographic inclusion public benefit" means the public benefit defined in section 4.A.3. of this ordinance.

M. "Non-tax exempt community-based cultural entity" means an organization that would qualify as a community-based cultural organization but for the fact that it is not recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

N. "Proceeds" means the revenue raised by the additional sales and use tax authorized by this ordinance and any interest thereon.

O. "Program" or "the program" means the Access for All program.

P. "Public benefits" means those discernable public benefits, comprised of equity and geographic inclusion public benefits and general public benefits, identified in section 4 of this ordinance.

Q. "Regional cultural organization" means a cultural organization that:

1. Owns, operates or supports cultural facilities or provides performances, exhibits, educational programs, experiences or entertainment, that widely benefit and are broadly attended by the public;

2. Is in good standing as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the state of Washington, and has been for at least the three years preceding the year in which an allocation of program moneys is to be made to the organization;

3. Has its principal location or locations and conducts the majority of its activities within the county primarily for the benefit of county residents;

4. Has not declared bankruptcy or suspended or substantially curtailed operations for a period longer than six months during the preceding two years;

5. Over the three years preceding the year in which an allocation of program moneys is to be made to the organization, either:

a. has minimum average annual revenues, annually adjusted for inflation consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW, of at least three million dollars; or

b. has both average annual revenues, annually adjusted for inflation consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW, of at least one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars and a minimum of fifty thousand annual attendees; and

6. Is financially stable, provides substantial public benefits and has the capacity to demonstrate its status by providing an annual audit of finances and certification of attendance.

R. "Qualified nontraditional/social service and cultural agency" means a nonprofit corporation incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington with its principal location or locations and conducting a majority of its activities within the county that, while not necessarily its primary purpose, devotes a significant portion of its resources to the advancement and preservation of science or technology, the visual or performing arts, zoology, botany, anthropology, heritage or natural history and directly provides programming or experiences available to the general public, but not including: any agency of the state or any of its political subdivisions; any municipal corporation; any organization that raises moneys for redistribution to multiple cultural organizations; or any radio or television broadcasting network or station, cable communications system, internet-based communications venture or service, newspaper or magazine.

S. "Science" includes science or technology.

T. "Sponsored community-based cultural entity" means a non-tax exempt community-based cultural entity or a qualified nontraditional/social service and cultural agency that contracts with a fiscal sponsor for a specific cultural project that provides a public benefit pursuant to the terms and conditions of this ordinance and guidelines developed by the program.

U. "Start-up funding" means administrative costs, including, but not limited to, legal costs, overhead costs and election costs, advanced by the county to the program after the effective date of this ordinance and before tax collections begin with the expectation that the funding will be repaid.

### SECTION 3. Access for All program.

A. The county hereby creates the Access for All program. The Access for All program shall contain the following elements:

1. Public school access program, designed to increase public school student access to cultural education opportunities by extending the offerings of cultural organizations both through programs provided at schools and at the facilities and venues of the cultural organizations, including the provision of transportation to facilities and venues;

2. Regional cultural organization access program, which shall annually provide proceeds to regional cultural organizations that:

a. provide discernible public benefits, and specifically from the range of public benefits in section 4 of this ordinance;

b. annually provide one or more equity inclusion public benefits and one or more geographic inclusion public benefits;

c. satisfy the requirements in chapter 36.160 RCW; and

d. serve a regional audience; and

3. Community-based cultural organization access program, which shall annually, through a competitive process, provide proceeds for community-based cultural organizations that provide one or more discernable public benefits, and are not eligible for proceeds under the regional cultural organization access program.

B.1. The county, through K.C.C. chapters 2.48 and 2.49, has authorized 4Culture to develop, implement and administer cultural programs in the county. Accordingly, and as authorized under RCW 36.160.070, the county elects to consolidate the administration of the program with that of 4Culture to perform the functions required under RCW 36.160.110 consistent with this ordinance and the implementation plan required in section 9 of this ordinance.

2. The county designates 4Culture as the designated public agency for the Access for All program consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW, this ordinance and the implementation plan required in section 9 of

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this ordinance. If the county dissolves 4Culture in accordance with K.C.C. 2.49.140, the county shall become the designated public agency and shall otherwise perform all of the duties of 4Culture under this ordinance.

3. 4Culture shall develop and maintain guidelines and eligibility and reporting requirements for all organizations that are provided proceeds through the program consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW and this ordinance. The guidelines shall ensure that the cultural organizations receiving proceeds provide or continue to provide discernible public benefits. Program grant agreements shall require, among other things, that no person in the county shall, on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, religious affiliation, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression or age, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Access for All financial support. The guidelines and program grant agreements developed and administered by 4Culture shall be consistent with the equity and subarea plans described in section 9.B. of this ordinance. 4Culture shall use the equity and subarea plans in the manner described in section 9.B.4. of this ordinance.

4. As will be more fully described in the implementation plan, 4Culture shall, on request, provide expertise and administrative assistance to community-based cultural organizations that have limited organizational capacity to apply for competitive funding.

5.a. 4Culture shall report on the status of the program to the county executive and county committee of the whole annually. By March 31, 2019, and for each subsequent year that the program is funded, the executive must file the report in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the council chief of staff and the lead staff to the committee of the whole or its successor.

b. The report shall, for each program element included in subsection A. of this section, include, but not be limited to:

(1) a fiscal report of the distribution of tax proceeds, including totals by county council district;

(2) a report on the number of people served in each county council district by Access for All funded programs;

(3) a performance report on each funded regional cultural organization's success in providing discernible public benefits as anticipated in the prior annual report required by subsection B.5.a. of this section;

(4) a report on the preview of the public benefits each funded regional cultural organization plans to provide in the coming year;

(5) a performance report of each funded regional cultural organization's participation in the public school cultural access program, success in meeting the participation goals anticipated in prior annual report required by subsection B.5.a. of this section and a preview of each funded regional cultural organization's planned participation in the public school cultural access program in the coming year; and

(6) a performance report on each funded community-based cultural organization's discernible public benefits, a report on the actual and planned use of community-based cultural organization access program proceeds and regional cultural organization contributions to foster community-based cultural organizations and the creation and development of cultural centers identified in the subarea plans required by section 9.B. of this ordinance, and a management report identifying any proposed changes to the program panel process, eligibility guidelines, or reporting requirements since the last report.

6. The 4Culture board of directors shall serve as the initial Access for All program advisory board. The council shall establish the size and operation of the permanent advisory board in the adopted implementation plan. Members of the permanent advisory board shall be appointed consistent with the adopted implementation plan.

### SECTION 4. Access for All program Public Benefits.

A. All cultural organizations must provide discernible public benefits to receive funding from the program. To be eligible to receive

funding regional cultural organizations must provide one or more equity inclusion public benefits, and provide one or more geographic inclusion public benefits. To be eligible to receive funding community-based cultural organizations must provide one or more general public benefits or one or more equity inclusion public benefits. The following are the program's discernible public benefits:

1. General public benefits. The following public benefits are "general public benefits":

a. providing free and low-barrier opportunities for anyone in the county to take part in the region's cultural life and participate in arts, science and heritage programs;

b. providing performances and programs throughout the county, directly in and for local communities, or through partnerships between and among regional and community-based cultural organizations, or through partnerships between or among regional and community-based nonprofit corporations or other nonprofit entities;

c. providing, through technological and other means, services or programs in locations other than where an organization's own facilities are located;

d. providing cultural educational programs and experiences both at an organization's own facilities and in schools and other venues;

e. broadening cultural programs, performances and exhibitions for the enlightenment and entertainment of the public;

f. supporting collaborative relationships among cultural organizations in order to extend the reach and impact of cultural organizations for the benefit of the public;

g. bringing community-based cultural organizations' facilities and community-based and regional cultural organizations' programming into compliance with access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act;

h. supporting organizations that strive to engage traditional cultures and crafts;

i. building and expanding cultural facilities for community-based cultural organizations at a scale and size consistent with the county's and other jurisdictions' applicable land use policies and development regulations;

j. presenting free cultural festivals countywide;

k. providing free events, programing and educational materials that enhance a cultural experience either before or after, or both, attending an exhibit, performance or event;

l. providing arts, science and heritage career building opportunities for youth through internships and apprenticeships or other means;

m. establishing partnerships between cultural organizations or other cultural institutions to present new multidisciplinary cultural experiences;

n. implementing organizational capacity-building projects or activities that a cultural organization can demonstrate, to the reasonable satisfaction of the program, will enhance the ability of the organization to execute community outreach, communications and marketing strategies to attract and engage county residents with opportunities of access to cultural experiences and with emphasis on underserved communities; and

o. in the case of community-based cultural organizations, implementing organizational capacity-building projects or activities that a cultural organization can demonstrate, to the reasonable satisfaction of the program, will enhance the ability of the organization to continue to provide meaningful public benefits not otherwise achievable;

2. Equity inclusion public benefits. The following public benefits are "equity inclusion public benefits":

a. providing free and low-cost attendance to arts, science and heritage organizations and facilities for county residents who have economic and other barriers to access;

b. providing free access to curriculum-related arts, science

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and heritage programs for public school students throughout the county at schools and at cultural sites with emphasis on underserved students;

c. increasing the diversity of staff and governing boards of cultural organizations to increase opportunities for access to facilities, programs and services for diverse and underserved populations and communities, broaden cultural programs, and provide programming that appeals to diverse populations within the county;

d. increasing investment in programs and organizations that represent and reflect the diversity of the county; and

e. planning and implementing cultural programs and activities, or collaborating with cultural organizations in order to extend the reach and impact of cultural programs, in communities and census tracts that are underserved, as shall be further defined in the implementation plan required in section 9 of this ordinance; and

3. Geographic inclusion public benefits. The following public benefits are "geographic inclusion public benefits":

a. planning and implementing cultural programs and activities in cultural centers;

b. partnering with community-based cultural organizations, through direct investment or in-kind support, on priority projects and initiatives identified in the subarea plans required by section 9.B. of this ordinance;

c. providing to communities outside cities in which regional cultural organizations are primarily located cultural programming either directly, in partnership with community-based cultural organizations or public schools, or through means identified in their annual reports required by section 3.B.5.b. of this ordinance; and

d. providing proceeds to 4Culture to distribute to community-based cultural organizations for noncapital projects or initiatives under section 7.F. of this ordinance.

B. Providing equity and geographic inclusion public benefits is intended to result in meaningful progress toward achievement of the following equity and inclusion outcomes:

1. Overcoming economic and geographic inequities that limit access to the arts, science, and heritage experiences by expanding access to programs and activities at arts, science and heritage organizations in the county, such that visitors and audiences represent the diversity of the county;

2. Partnering with local communities by developing and nurturing relationships with local organizations to create programs and activities in and for the community;

3. Making the boards, staff, programming, memberships and audiences of regional cultural organizations more representative of the diversity existing within the county;

4. Ensuring that the program distributes a total of at least one million dollars to community-based cultural organizations in each county council district in each year; and

5. Fostering the emergence and growth of cultural centers throughout King County.

### SECTION 5. Tax imposed, conditioned on voter approval.

A. To provide necessary moneys for the Access for All program identified in section 3 of this ordinance and conditioned on the specific authorization of a majority of the voters voting on the proposition authorized in section 8 of this ordinance, an additional one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax is hereby levied, fixed and imposed on all taxable events within the county as defined in chapter 82.08, 82.12 or 82.14 RCW for seven years. The tax shall be imposed upon and collected from those persons from whom sales tax or use tax is collected in accordance with chapter 82.08 or 82.14 RCW, and shall be collected at the rate of one-tenth of one percent of the selling price, in the case of a sales tax, or value of the article used, in the case of a use tax. The additional sales and use tax shall be in addition to all other existing sales and use taxes currently imposed by the county under chapter 82.14 RCW.

B. If, as a result of the imposition of the additional sales and use tax authorized in subsection A. of this section, the county imposes an additional sales and use tax upon sales of lodging in excess of the limits contained in RCW 82.14.410, the sales shall be exempted from the imposition of that additional sales and use tax.

### SECTION 6. Deposit of tax proceeds.

A. The proceeds of the sales and use tax imposed under section 5 of this ordinance shall be deposited in the Access for All fund and used solely for the purposes consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW and according to the implementation plan required in section 9 of this ordinance.

B. The county affirms that any funding similar to the funding available under this ordinance that the county usually and customarily provides to cultural organizations shall not be replaced or materially diminished as a result of funding becoming available under this ordinance.

C. Proceeds from the tax imposed under section 5 of this ordinance, excepting start-up funding to 4Culture or the county, may not be distributed until the council by ordinance has approved the implementation plan required by section 9 of this ordinance.

### SECTION 7. Use of tax proceeds -- allocations.

A. From the annual tax proceeds, an amount shall first be reserved for repayment of start-up funding.

B. From the remaining tax proceeds after reserving the amount required in subsection A. of this section, up to one and one-quarter percent of total tax proceeds available annually may be used for program administrative costs incurred by the county and 4Culture.

C.1. From the remaining tax proceeds after reserving the amounts required in subsections A. and B. of this section, ten percent of remaining proceeds annually will be used for the public school access program subject to RCW 36.160.100(2). If funding available under this program for student transportation is inadequate in any one year due to more demand for student transportation than available proceeds, then the annual percentage allocation to the public school cultural access program may be increased up to twelve percent to provide additional proceeds to ensure adequate funding of student transportation.

2. The public school access program shall be used to increase public school student access to the programming offered and facilities operated by regional and community-based cultural organizations.

3. Funding for public school access activities shall be prioritized consistent with RCW 36.160.100. To the extent practicable and consistent with available resources, benefits shall be offered to every public school in the county. Benefits and opportunities of participation provided to public schools must be scaled to coincide with the relative percentage of students who participate in the national free or reduced-price school meals program.

4. Regional cultural organizations must spend at least twenty percent of the proceeds received under subsection D. of this section on the public school access program, including, but not limited to, admissions for students to cultural facilities and programs and the costs of bringing curriculum-based art, science and cultural education programs to schools to deepen the experience for students.

5. The public school access program shall provide proceeds for transportation for public school students to attend and participate in age-appropriate programs and activities offered by cultural organizations. After funding transportation and consistent with RCW 36.160.100, the public school access program may provide proceeds for district-wide cultural education plans and district cultural education coordinators and provide for the development of tools, materials and media by cultural organizations to ensure that school access programs and activities correlate with school curricula. Subject to available proceeds, the public school access program also may provide training for teachers and providers of cultural education resources, including artists, historians, and scientists, as part of the development of such tools, materials and media to help ensure that such programs and activities correlate with school curricula.

D.1. From the remaining tax proceeds after reserving the

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amounts required in subsections A., B. and C. of this section, the program will annually distribute seventy percent of the proceeds to eligible regional cultural organizations through an annual ranking by the combined size of their average annual revenues and their average annual attendance, both over the three preceding years, in which attendance has twice the weight of revenues.

2. Proceeds must be distributed among eligible organizations in ranked order such that an organization with a higher ranking receives higher funding provided, however, that no organization may receive proceeds in excess of fifteen percent of its average annual revenues over the three preceding years. Proceeds must be used to support cultural and educational activities, programs and initiatives, public benefits and communications and basic operations of cultural organizations under the regional cultural organization access program consistent with RCW 36.160.110(2), including the requirement that at least twenty percent of each regional cultural organization award be dedicated to participation in the public school access program as described in subsection C. of this section. Proceeds distributed to regional cultural organizations under this subsection may not be used for capital expenditures or acquisitions including, but not limited to, the acquisition of or the construction of improvements to real property.

3. Regional cultural organizations shall expend at least fifteen percent of their awards towards equity inclusion public benefits and at least fifteen percent of their awards towards geographic inclusion public benefits. In lieu of funding some or all geographic inclusion public benefits directly, regional cultural organizations also shall be allowed to provide 4Culture with any amount of their award, with a target of at least 7.5 percent, to support the community-based cultural organization programs or projects funded under subsection F. of this section. The implementation plan required in section 9 of this ordinance shall provide guidelines for how regional cultural organizations will satisfy their equity and geographic inclusion public benefit requirements and make meaningful progress towards equity and inclusion outcomes, specifically including encouraging organizations to expand their geographic reach countywide by making at least half of their geographic inclusion public benefit investments collectively with other regional cultural organizations through a process established therefor and administered by 4Culture. Such proceeds may not be used for capital purposes.

E. From the remaining tax proceeds after reserving the amount required in subsections A., B., C. and D. of this section, including, but not limited to, proceeds not distributed to regional cultural organizations because of the fifteen percent of annual revenue limit or the ranking requirement or otherwise, not more than eight percent shall be distributed annually to 4Culture for administrative costs of the Access for All program.

F.1. From the remaining tax proceeds after reserving the amount required in subsections A., B., C., D. and E. of this section, including, but not limited to, proceeds not distributed to regional cultural organizations because of the fifteen percent of annual revenue limit or the ranking requirement or otherwise and proceeds contributed to 4Culture for distribution to community-based cultural organizations and development of cultural centers under subsection D.3. of this section, all remaining proceeds will be distributed annually to community-based cultural organizations through a competitive process to be used to support: cultural and educational activities, programs and initiatives; public benefits and communications; basic operations; capital expenditures or acquisitions; and technology, equipment and supplies reasonably related to or necessary for a project funded under the community-based cultural organization program and consistent with RCW 36.160.110(2), including, but not limited to, seed money for a community-based cultural organization to fund start-up expenses of new cultural organizations.

2. The proceeds for the uses in subsection F.1. of this section shall be distributed annually through competitive processes as follows:

a. at least ten percent shall be distributed as seed money to foster the creation of new cultural organizations and development of cultural centers;

b. make distributions to community heritage organizations such that proceeds to these organizations total at least four million five hundred thousand dollars annually, or a lesser amount after subtracting the value of programs and partnerships to such organizations provided by regional cultural organizations. If proceeds remain after distribution to eligible community heritage organizations for eligible programs and projects, these funds must be distributed to community-based cultural organizations in communities in a council district in which no regional cultural organization has its principal location;

c. remaining proceeds shall be distributed for operations, capital expenditures, projects and capacity building for all other eligible community-based cultural organizations; and

d. no proceeds received from regional cultural organizations shall be expended for capital expenditures.

3. The program shall make distributions under this subsection F. such that program proceeds for community-based cultural organizations in each council district totals at least one million dollars in each year.

G. The program may grant proceeds to a fiscal sponsor for the purpose of contracting with a sponsored community-based cultural entity for specific activities or uses approved by the program, but only if the fiscal sponsor: retains control and discretion as to the use of the proceeds; maintains records establishing that the proceeds were used for purposes authorized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and limits distributions to specific projects of sponsored community-based cultural entities that are in furtherance of the fiscal sponsor's own exempt purposes. Such a fiscal sponsor may provide program moneys to a sponsored community-based cultural entity only if the specific projects of the sponsored community-based cultural entity provide or continue to provide public benefits identified in section 3 of this ordinance. A fiscal sponsor shall be fully responsible and liable for the completion of the specific projects of the sponsored community-based cultural entity provided program moneys under this ordinance and the provision of public benefits by such a specific project.

H. 4Culture shall develop guidelines to be approved by the King County council for eligible expenditures for each program component identified in section 3 of this ordinance. The guidelines must be consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW and this ordinance.

**SECTION 8. Call for special election.** In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, the King County council hereby calls for a special election on August 1, 2017, to consider a proposition approving the imposition for seven years, an additional sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent for the purposes described in this ordinance. The King County director of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the said special county election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the King County director of elections in substantially the following form: PROPOSITION \_\_; The County Council adopted ordinance XXXX to establish and fund a cultural access program. If approved, this proposition would fund public school and cultural organization access programs. The programs would increase free or discounted tickets for students and low-income persons to arts, science, and heritage programs and advance equitable access across King County. It would also have dedicated transportation funds for public school students and cultural education in public schools. The program would be funded by an increase in the county sales tax 1/10th of 1 percent for 7 years beginning January 1, 2018. Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

### SECTION 9. Implementation plan.

If the sales and use tax is approved by the voters, then the program will develop and provide to the county executive a King County Access for All program implementation plan. The county executive, in consultation with 4Culture, shall transmit the implementation plan and an ordinance to approve the plan to the council within ninety days of

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the certification of the election approving the sales and use tax. The implementation plan shall be effective upon approval by ordinance. The executive, in consultation with 4Culture, may propose amendments to the implementation plan, including but not limited to program descriptions or guidelines. The council also may initiate amendment of the implementation plan. Any amendments shall be effective upon approval by ordinance. The initial implementation plan shall include the following:

- A.1. Itemization of any startup costs incurred or to be incurred by 4Culture or the county.
2. Detailed program descriptions of the major elements of the Access for All program, which are the public school access program, the regional cultural organization access program, the community-based cultural organization access program and a framework for 4Culture administration of all programs.
3. The public school access program description shall include:
  - a. an overall summary of the public school access program and fund allocation within this portion of the Access for All program;
  - b. a description of district and school teacher training components of the public school access program including timeline and expected costs and outcomes;
  - c. a description of the goals, priorities and process for the public school transportation program that includes start-up timeline, communications strategy and respective roles that school districts, school teachers, cultural organizations' education programs and 4Culture will play in planning and delivery of the public school access program; and
  - d. a description of goals, priorities, and strategies for delivering the cultural organization's in-school and in-community education programs.
4. The regional cultural organization access program description shall include:
  - a. an overall summary of the regional organization access program and fund allocation within this portion of the Access for All program;
  - b. guidelines for regional cultural organizations to expend at least fifteen percent of their awards towards equity inclusion public benefits and at least fifteen percent of their awards towards geographic inclusion public benefits, and a plan to assist regional cultural organizations in using their awards to make meaningful progress towards the equity and inclusion outcomes;
  - c. an explanation of attendance and revenue requirements and resources for regional organizations to use in reporting eligible revenue and attendance, including, but not limited to, guidelines for establishing attendance and revenue for the initial three transition years of the program;
  - d. a description of the process and reports for determining the baseline standard of continuous performance of public benefits provided, a description of guidelines for providing the equity and geographic inclusion public benefits a regional cultural organization must provide to be eligible for funding under the program and descriptions of the discernible equity and geographic inclusion public benefits and general public benefits consistent with RCW 36.160.090 and this ordinance;
  - e. a public benefit reporting framework for regional cultural organizations that includes standards for reports describing the organization's success in providing:
    - (1) general public benefits as anticipated in the organization's prior report;
    - (2) equity and geographic inclusion public benefits that resulted in progress towards achievement of equity and inclusion outcomes as anticipated in the organization's prior report; and
    - (3) a preview of the general public benefits, equity and geographic inclusion public benefits and equity and inclusion outcomes that the organization plans to provide in the coming year;
  - f. a public school access reporting framework for regional cultural organizations to use in describing their participation in the public

school educational activities as anticipated in the organization's prior report and a preview of the public school educational programs they intend to provide in the coming year;

- g. a description of initial application procedures, including review by an eligibility panel made up of at least nine members recommended one each by each county councilmember, that will be used for the regional cultural organization access program to verify whether an organization is eligible for the program; and
  - h. a description of procedures to distribute awards annually and contracting and payment process and procedures for assuring transparency, accountability and compliance in administering the awards, all consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW and this ordinance.
5. The community-based organization access program description shall include:
    - a. an overall summary of the community-based organization access program and fund allocation within this portion of the Access for All program for operating, project, capital, initiative and other funding pools, including the development of cultural centers, and seed money to foster the creation of new cultural organizations;
    - b. criteria for awarding funds to either eligible community-based organizations, including provisions allowing fiscal sponsorship of non-tax exempt community-based cultural entities, or qualified nontraditional/social service and cultural agencies, or both, for defined cultural project funding such that the program achieves funding for cultural programs and organizations in each council district totaling at least one million dollars in each year, a description of criteria for awards to community heritage organizations and description of criteria for increasing awards for community-based cultural organizations that either are organized of, by and for communities and census tracts that are underserved or provide significant equity inclusion public benefits, or both;
    - c. procedures for conducting competitive processes for supporting community-based organizations' operations, projects, capital and equipment programs and initiatives, and procedures for ensuring transparency, accountability and compliance, all consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW;
    - d. a description of the community-based organization access program's countywide technical assistance and communications plan to promote broad participation by community-based cultural organizations;
    - e. descriptions of the community-based organization annual application, panel and approval process for awarding grants; the program will design the process to minimize the burden it places on applicant community-based organizations and will work to improve that process continuously from year to year; and
    - f. description of contract and payment process for community-based cultural organization grants;
- B.1. A countywide cultural equity plan and four subarea plans as described in this subsection. The plans are intended to articulate a vision, establish goals, identify priority projects and initiatives and provide recommendations for achieving the intended cultural access improvements over time.
  2. The countywide cultural equity plan shall be developed with input from regional cultural organizations, community-based cultural organizations, school districts, and the 4Culture advisory committee whose purpose is to advise, monitor and provide oversight for achieving the equity outcomes associated with the program. The plan must include:
    - a. recommendations for how public school access proceeds can be scaled to coincide with the relative percentage of students who participate in the national free or reduced-price school meals program;
    - b. recommendations for how regional cultural organizations can provide equity inclusion public benefits in a manner that contributes to the equity and inclusion outcomes described in section 4.B. of this ordinance;
    - c. a description of criteria for making awards of up to thirty percent of an community-based cultural organization's budget for

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community-based cultural organizations that either are organized of, by and for communities and census tracts that face cultural and economic barriers to access; that provide significant equity inclusion public benefits or both.

3. Cultural opportunity and access expansion plans for four county subareas, the north, suburban east, rural east (east of the contiguous urban growth boundary) and south as shall be further defined in the implementation plan, shall be developed with input from cultural organizations, cities, public schools, and the county councilmembers representing the subareas. Each such a subarea plan must include strategies to:

a. develop multiple cultural centers within each subarea, including within the unincorporated area;

b. use seed money to establish new cultural organizations; and

c. accomplish the plans' visions and goals by leveraging Access for All funding with other funding sources, such as private donations, grants and future hotel-motel tax proceeds that will be available in 2021, recognizing that the hotel-motel tax proceeds will continue to be used by some grantees and for some purposes not served by the Access for All program.

4. 4Culture shall use the plans to:

a. guide its work with regional cultural organizations in developing contractual obligations for the use of proceeds spent on equity and geographic inclusion public benefits;

b. identify opportunities to foster growth of cultural centers outside the city of Seattle, including ways for regional cultural organizations to participate in fostering such growth through partnerships, direct contributions administered through 4Culture and contribution of in-kind support and technical expertise; and

c. guide the establishment of criteria and guidelines for the competitive processes for distribution of community-based cultural organization access program proceeds.

5. The plans in subsections B.2. and B.3. of this section along with motions to approve them must be transmitted by the executive in consultation with 4Culture to the council by the completion date identified in the implementation plan and shall be effective upon approval by motion;

C. Description of any additional guidelines, consistent with chapter 36.160 RCW as the program deems necessary or appropriate for determining the eligibility of prospective regional cultural organizations or of prospective community-based cultural organizations to receive funding and for establishing the amount of funding any organization may receive;

D. Proposed policies that outline how fluctuations in revenue collections will impact the allocation process, cultural organization eligibility and reporting requirements;

E. The establishment of a 4Culture advisory committee whose purpose is to advise, monitor and provide oversights for achieving the equity and inclusion outcomes associated with the program. The size and operation of the advisory council shall be defined, and at least nine members of this committee must be recommended one each by each of the nine county councilmembers and confirmed by the King County council; and

F. A proposed annual reporting framework between 4Culture and the county that includes:

1. A fiscal report of the distribution of proceeds, including a breakdown by council district;

2. A report on the number of people served by Access for All funded programs, including a breakdown by county council district;

3. A performance report on each funded regional cultural organization's success in providing discernable public benefits as anticipated in the organization's prior annual report;

4. A report on the preview of the public benefits each funded regional cultural organization's plan to provide in the coming year;

5. A performance report of each funded regional cultural

organization's participation in the public school cultural access program as anticipated in the organization's prior annual report and a preview of each funded regional cultural organization's planned participation in the public school cultural access program in the coming year;

6. A performance report on each funded community-based cultural organization's discernable public benefits; and

7. A management report identifying any proposed changes to the program panel process, eligibility guidelines, or reporting requirements.

SECTION 10. Ordinance 14482, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.49.060 are each amended to read as follows:

The charter of the cultural development authority, as set forth in Attachment A to (~~Ordinance 14482~~) this ordinance, is hereby approved. The clerk of the council shall, within ten days of (~~October 11, 2002~~) the effective date of this ordinance, issue the charter in duplicate originals, each bearing the county seal attested by the clerk of the council. The clerk of the council shall file and record one original charter with the records and licensing services division and provide one original charter to the county executive on behalf of the cultural development authority. The county may amend the charter by ordinance after providing notice to and an opportunity for the directors to be heard and present testimony.

SECTION 11.  **Ratification.** Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the county council to the director of elections in accordance with law before the election on August 1, 2017, and any other act consistent with the authority and before the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 12.  **Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

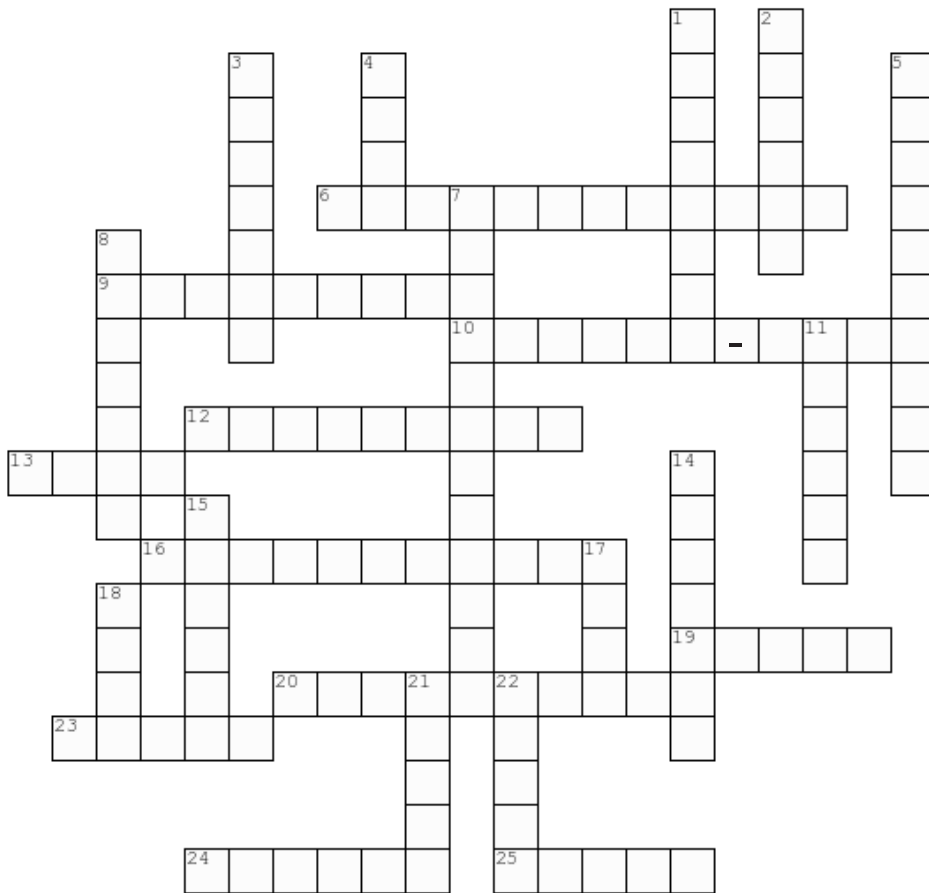
Ordinance 18513 was introduced on 4/17/2017 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 5/1/2017, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Ms. Kohl-Welles and Ms. Balducci

No: 2 - Mr. Gossett and Mr. Uptegrove

Excused: 0





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6. You should update this whenever you move, change your name or your signature has changed.
9. You can find the closest ballot drop box to you online at [kingcounty.gov/](http://kingcounty.gov/)\_\_\_\_\_.
10. Ballot drop boxes for this election are open \_\_\_\_\_ hours beginning on July 13th.
12. King County Elections staff look at the \_\_\_\_\_ on every ballot to make sure it was voted by the voter.
13. You can \_\_\_\_\_ and return your ballot as early as the day you receive it.
16. Stay connected with King County Elections with Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat and our blog at [www.\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_.com](http://www._____.com).
19. You can \_\_\_\_\_ the progress of your ballot on the King County Elections website.
20. Voters who may need assistance completing their ballot can vote at one of the \_\_\_\_\_ voting centers.
23. You can register to vote at our Voter Registration \_\_\_\_\_ in downtown Seattle.
24. Election Day is \_\_\_\_\_ 1st.
25. You must use a first class \_\_\_\_\_ to mail back your ballot.

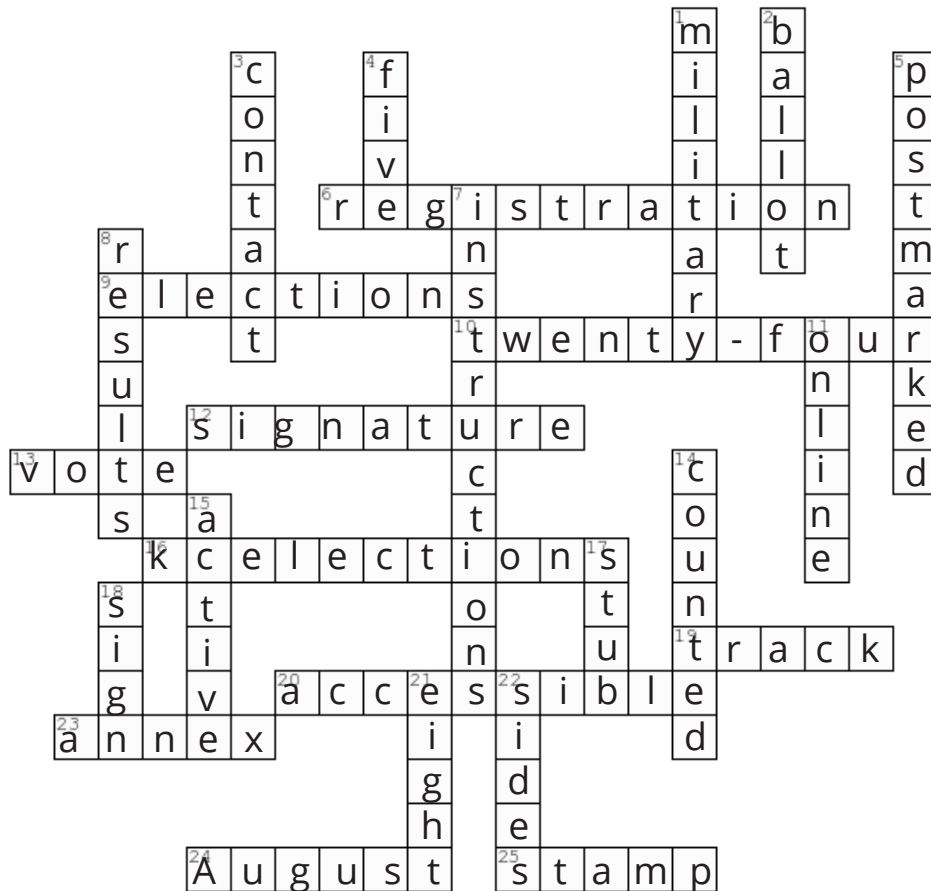
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1. Voters in the \_\_\_\_\_ and voters living in other countries have their ballots mailed to them earlier than other voters.
2. Your \_\_\_\_\_ should arrive by July 17th.
3. If you do not receive your ballot, you can \_\_\_\_ King County Elections to request a new one.
4. King County Elections provides voting materials in \_\_\_\_\_ different languages.
5. Ballots returned through the U.S. Postal Service must be \_\_\_\_\_ by Election Day.
7. You should always read these before marking your ballot.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ are posted at 8:15 p.m. on Election Day and updated daily until the election is certified.
11. Overseas and service voters can access their ballot \_\_\_\_\_.
14. If you receive a call, email or letter from King County Elections, make sure to respond quickly so that your ballot can be \_\_\_\_\_.
15. King County has over 1.24 million \_\_\_\_\_ registered voters.
17. Remove the \_\_\_\_\_ at the top of the ballot and keep the "I voted!" portion or recycle it.
18. You must \_\_\_\_\_ your return envelope before returning your ballot.
21. Ballots must be turned into a ballot drop box before \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. on Election Day.
22. Remember to vote both \_\_\_\_\_ of your ballot.

Results will be posted by 8:15 p.m. on election night, August 1 on our website:  
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Results will continue to be updated until the election is certified on August 15. The results posting schedule is also available on our website.

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