

Clerk File No. 311179  
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# The City of Seattle – Legislative Department

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Reappointment of Yusuf Cabdi as member,  
Seattle Housing Authority, for a term of  
confirmation to October 1, 2014.

| Date         | Recommendation            | Vote       |
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| <u>12/11</u> | <u>Pass 3-0 M, TR, SC</u> | <u>(4)</u> |

Related Legislation File: \_\_\_\_\_

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| Date Introduced and Referred:<br><u>Dec. 13, 2010</u> | To: (committee):<br><u>Housing, Human Services,<br/>Health, and Culture</u> |
| Date Re-referred:                                     | To: (committee):  |
| Date Re-referred:                                     | To: (committee):  |
| Date of Final Action:<br><u>Jan. 18, 2011</u>         | Disposition:<br><u>Confirmed</u>  |

This file is complete and ready for presentation to Full Council.

| Date                 | Decision         | Vote                         |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| <u>Jan. 18, 2011</u> | <u>Confirmed</u> | <u>7-0 (RC, NL: excused)</u> |

Dec. 7, 2010  
**Date Filed with City Clerk**  
Amelia M. Sanchez  
**By**

# CF No.311179

Title:Reappointment of Yusuf Cabdi as member,  
Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners,  
for a term of confirmation to October 1, 2014.

Date Filed with City Clerk:20101207

**City of Seattle**  
**Notice of Appointment**

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| <b>Name:</b><br><br>Yusuf Cabdi  |                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment<br><input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment<br><input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment<br><input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency |
| <b>Residential Neighborhood:</b><br><br>Bitter Lake  | <b>Zip Code:</b><br><br>98133 | <b>Contact Phone No.:</b><br><br>(206) 446-6204  |
| <b>Appointed to:</b><br><br>Seattle Housing Authority  |                               | <b>Date of Appointment:</b><br><br>November 29, 2010   |
| <b>Authority (Ord., Res.):</b><br><br>RCW 35.82  |                               | <b>Term of Office:</b><br><b>From:</b> Confirmation<br><br><b>To:</b> <i>October 1, 2014</i>   |
| <b>Comments:</b><br><br>Re-appointment   |                               |  |
| <b>Authorizing Signature:</b><br><br> |                               | <b>Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments:</b><br><br>Mayor Mike McGinn   |

**Confirmed by the Following Vote at City Council**

|  |                   |                                    |
|--|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>In Favor:</b> 7                           | <b>Against:</b> 0 | <b>Date:</b> Jan. 18, 2011         |
| <b>Attested by:</b> <i>Emilia M. Sanchez</i> |                   | <b>Title:</b> <i>Council Clerk</i> |



## Yusuf Cabdi

**Objective:** A position of resident member of board of commissioner of SHA, in order to utilize my current skills and diverse background.

**Profile:**

- \* Publisher of Somali Business Directory in Seattle
- \* Excellent Community Leader for exemplary Somali community center in Seattle

**Experience:**

**Fleet Assistant:** January 2006 present  
Flex cars, Seattle Washington

- \* I am responsible making the customers to be satisfied on the road
- \* Responsible and maintaining all Flex cars
- \* Connecting Somali community, SHA high rise buildings resident communities to the Flex car
- \* Explaining these two communities the importance of using Flex cars

**Office Assistant:** August 2005 December 2005  
Security Department, Shoreline Washington  
Shoreline Community College (work Study)

- \* Issuing temporary parking permit
- \* Explaining students and other guests how to appeal parking ticket
- \* Helping students to fill forms

**Computer Aid:** Academic year 2004 2005.  
School Library, Shoreline, Washington  
Shoreline Community College (work Study)

- \* Organize and update periodicals
- \* Helping students with computer questions like word excel, and access

**Community Support Specialist:** June 2003 May 2004  
Somali Community Center, Seattle, Washington

- \* Helping the community members to fill various applications
- \* Translate correspondence from English to Somali
- \* Respond to inquiries and assist clients to make connections To services including: Seattle Housing, DHS, and Immigration

**Education:**

**Shoreline Community College (Shoreline, WA)**  
AAA Degree Computer and Information Systems, expected June 2007

**Language: Proficient Somali and English**

Understanding of Hindi and basic knowledge of Arabic

Good knowledge of Java, Visual Basic, Access, Excel, computer hardware.

**Activities: Active member of Somali Community in Seattle**

Advocate for Social justice

***ALL REFERENCES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST***

**SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY (SHA)**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

November 2010

Seven (7) members Appointed by the Mayor, confirmed by the Seattle City Council who serve a term of 4-years.

| <b>D</b> | <b>Name</b>         | <b>Date Appointed</b> | <b>Term Expires</b> | <b>Term #</b> | <b>Appointing Authority</b> | <b>Position</b>         |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| (3) M    | Juan Martinez       | 6/29/07               | 3/20/11             | 1             | Mayor                       | At-Large                |
| (6) F    | Nora Gibson         | 6/29/07               | 3/20/11             | 1             | Mayor                       | VICE-CHAIR,<br>At-Large |
| (1) M    | Kollin Min          | 5/29/08               | 3/20/12             | 1             | Mayor                       | At-Large                |
| (2) M    | Heyward S. Watson   | 4/24/09               | 3/20/13             | 1             | Mayor                       | At-Large                |
| (6) M    | Douglas H. Morrison | 7/28/2010             | 3/20/14             | 1             | Mayor                       | Resident                |
| (6) M    | John Littel         | 11/29/10              | 10/01/14            | 2             | Mayor                       | CHAIR,<br>At-Large      |
| (2) M    | Yusuf Cabdi         | 11/29/10              | 10/01/14            | 2             | Mayor                       | Past-Chair,<br>Resident |

Diversity Chart:

|     |       |        |          | (1)            | (2)              | (3)      | (4)             | (5)   | (6)       |
|-----|-------|--------|----------|----------------|------------------|----------|-----------------|-------|-----------|
| Men | Women | Vacant | Minority | Asian-American | African-American | Hispanic | Native-American | Other | Caucasian |
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**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** November 29, 2010

**To:** The Honorable Richard Conlin  
President, Seattle City Council

**From:** Mayor Michael McGinn *MM*

**Subject:** **Appointments to Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners**

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I am pleased to forward to City Council the following appointments to the Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) Board of Commissioners for a four-year term ending October 1, 2014:

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Term Ends</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Succeeding</u> |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>Yusuf Cabdi</b> | October 1, 2014  | Commissioner    | Reappointment     |
| <b>John Littel</b> | October 1, 2014  | Commissioner    | Reappointment     |

The Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners is composed of seven members, all appointed by the Mayor. All appointments are subject to City Council confirmation. Chapter 35.82 RCW requires that two members of the Board be residents of SHA, and it provides for members to serve a term of four years. Attached to this memorandum is the current membership roster of the Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, including the new appointee.

The appointment bios for the new appointees are as follows:

**Yusuf Cabdi** lives in low-income public housing. Yusuf left Somalia in 1991 and lived in a Kenyan refugee camp for seven years before coming to the U.S. He has worked with Somali and Muslim family and housing issues since settling in Seattle in 2003. He was elected to be an At-large representative to the Denny Terrace Resident Council in 2006. He has also served as the Somali Community representative in the East African Association and as a Community Support Specialist with the Somali Community. Yusuf speaks four languages: Somali, Arabic, Amal and English. He is interested in developing programs that will foster a safe and productive youth population.

**John Littel** is the Political Director of NW Carpenters. He was previously Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the Seattle Building Trades Council where he was responsible for negotiations and labor relations at SHA and King County Housing Authority. John also serves as Vice Chairperson for the Washington State Correction Industries, is a Board member on the King County Workforce Development Council, is Chairperson for the Seattle School District School-to-Work Advisory Council and part of the Washington Environmental Council.

**Attachments**

Copy:           John Little, Chair, Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners  
                  Tom Tierney, Executive Director, Seattle Housing Authority  
                  Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, Ethics and Elections Commission  
                  Tania María Rosario, Boards and Commissions