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City of Seattle
Notice of Re-appointment

Name: <i>Julie Bassuk</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Greenwood</i>	Zip Code: <i>98103</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>(206) 652-5080</i>
Appointed to: <i>Seattle Design Commission</i>		Date of Appointment: <i>January 14, 2011</i>
Authority (Ord., Res.): <i>Ordinance # 116909</i>		Term of Office: From: <i>Confirmation</i> To: <i>March 1, 2012</i>
Comments: <i>Appointment to the Seattle Design commission, as the Chair, for a one year term.</i>		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Mayor Michael McGinn

Confirmed by the Following Vote at City Council

In Favor:	Against:	Date:
Attested by:		Title:



DESIGN COMMISSION, SEATTLE

January 2011

Ten members:

Appointed by the Mayor, confirmed by the City Council who serve a term of two years (*may be reappointed once*)

- 2 Licensed Architects
- 1 Fine Artist
- 1 Member at Large

And at least 1 and no more than 2 from the following categories:

- Professional Urban Planner
- Professional Environmental or Urban Designer
- Landscape Architect
- Licensed Engineer

plus

- 1 Get Engaged participant (City/YMCA program)

All appointments are subject to City Council confirmation.

(Chair is also appointed by Mayor for a *one-year* term, confirmed by City Council.)

D	Member	Term #	Term Ends	Position
(6) M	Thomas Nelson	1	2012 Mar-1	Architect
(5) F	Osama Quotah	1	2013 Mar-1	Architect
(1) F	Norie Sato	2	2012 Mar-1	Fine Artist
(6) F	Julie Parrett	2	2013 Mar-1	Landscape Architect
(6) F	Laurel Kunkler	1	2012 Mar-1	Licensed Engineer (Civil)
(6) M	Andrew Barash	2	2013 Mar-1	Licensed Engineer (Transportation)
(6) M	Graham Black	2	2013 Mar-1	Member at Large (Developer)
(6) M	Don Vehige	1	2012 Mar-1	Urban Designer
(6) F	Julie Bassuk	1	2012 Mar-1	Chair; Urban Planner
(2) F	Malika Kirkling	only	2011 Sep-30	Get Engaged Member (1 year term)

(sorted by position,, term end date and name)

Diversity

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)				
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	African-American	Hispanic Latin@	Native-American	Middle East	Caucasian
Mayor	4	6	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	7

Partner, MAKERS architecture & urban design

Seattle, WA

1998 –

Julie Bassuk is a certified planner with over 14 years urban planning and real estate valuation experience. Whether it's accommodating growth, transforming neighborhoods or getting the most out of our waterfront, Julie believes in creating quality environments that work. Her experience is diverse, with a focus on land use, neighborhood and facility planning for Cities, Port Districts, and Federal Agencies.

Relying on effective communication and planning and urban design fundamentals, Julie helps organizations, governing boards, and community groups make good decisions in charged political environments. Her real estate background grounds her clients' Plans in achievable reality, effectively investing their resources, positioning their properties, and leveraging private sector partnerships. A snapshot of Julie's project experience relevant to the Seattle Planning Commission's work priorities is included on the following pages.

Assistant Appraiser, The Aegis Group, Inc.

Austin, Texas

1994-1997

Julie completed appraisals for varied commercial property types and analyzed neighborhoods, economic trends, and market sectors.

Honors, Awards and Activities

- Smart Vision award for encouraging redevelopment centered around mass transit into healthy mix of commercial, residential, and civic uses for the SeaTac Station Area Action Plan
- Certificate of Appreciation for contributions to the Cap Sante Boat Haven Comprehensive Plan Update
- American Planning Association Honorable Mention for the SeaTac Station Area Action Plan, Physical Plans Category
- U.S. Navy Commendation for Naval Air Station Whidbey Island Activity Overview Plan
- State Historic Preservation Award for the Cascade Rail Foundation's Strategic Plan
- American Association of Port Authorities Communications Award of Merit for the Port of Everett Marine Terminals Master Plan
- Washington Army National Guard Certificate of Merit for Stationing and Facilities Plan
- Speaker, State Planning Association Conference, Pacific Coast Congress Conference and Women in Transportation Mentorship Dinner

Education + Professional Certification

American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)

Commercial Real Estate Certificate Program

University of Washington, Seattle

2002 – 2003

Bachelor of Arts, Plan II Liberal Arts Honors Program, Urban Issues Focus

University of Texas, Austin

1992 – 1996

Client and colleague references available upon request



Transit-oriented neighborhood planning

Overlake Charrette and Neighborhood Plan

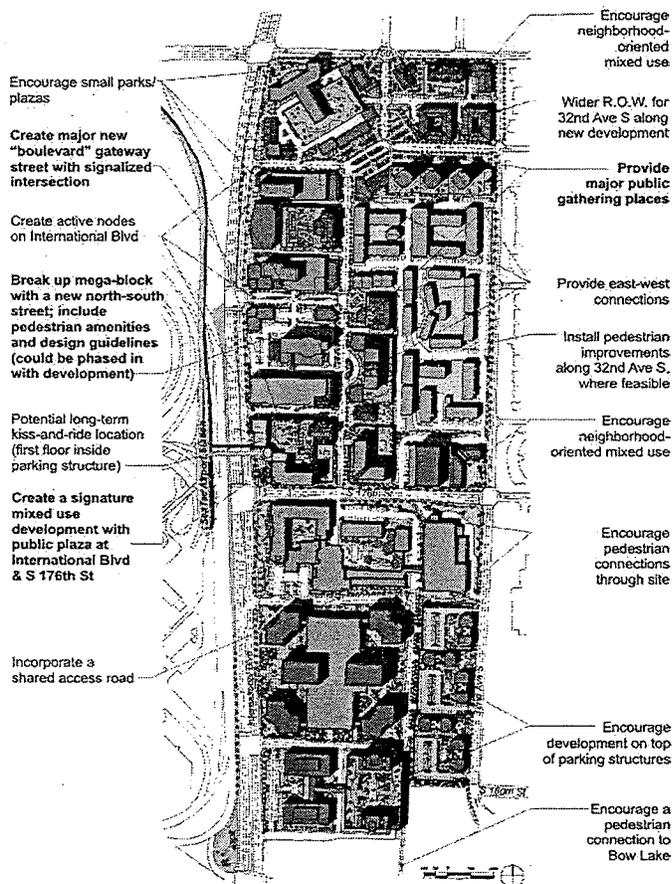
While planning light rail and other transportation improvements to the Overlake shopping area just south of Microsoft, Mirai Transportation sought MAKERS help in guiding the area's transformation into a vibrant mixed-use neighborhood. Julie:

- Organized a two-day community charrette and developers' forum to educate and brainstorm possibilities
- Identified opportunities to leverage light rail and other transportation improvements to encourage mixed-use and residential development
- Planned for parks and other amenities to support future residents and employers



SeaTac Station Area Action Plan

The City of SeaTac wished to transform two of its neighborhoods around light rail stations, building on the area's potential for transit-oriented development. Working with key property owners, economists and transportation planners, Julie led the effort to create an action plan that contained a three-dimensional vision, land use plan, urban design improvements and development incentives.





Community Planning

Bainbridge Island TDR Program Review

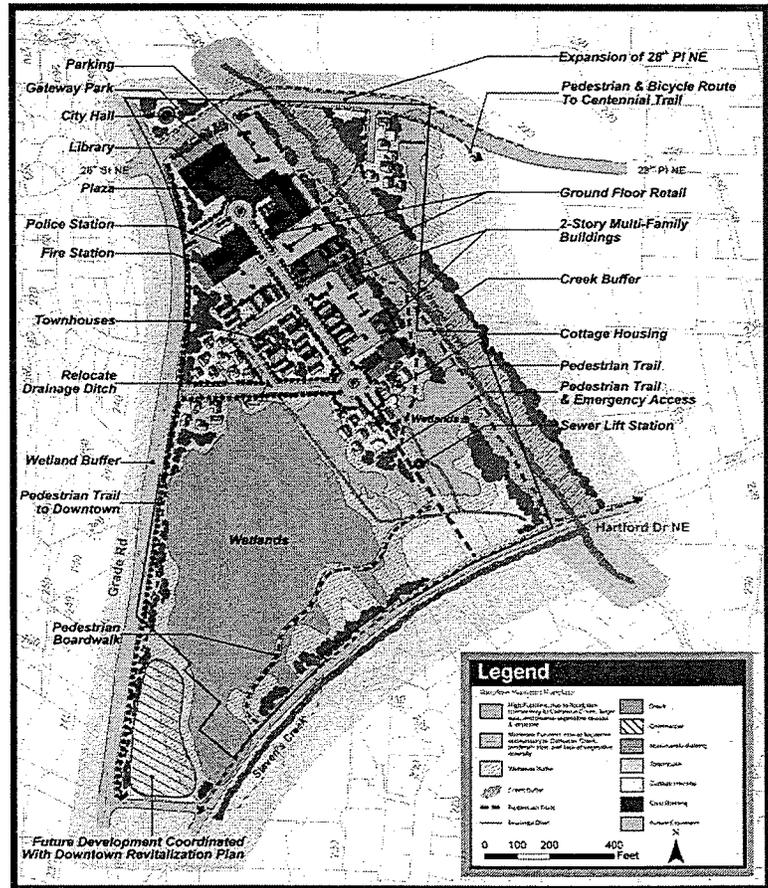
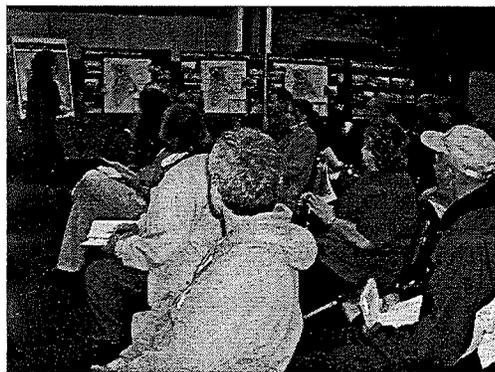
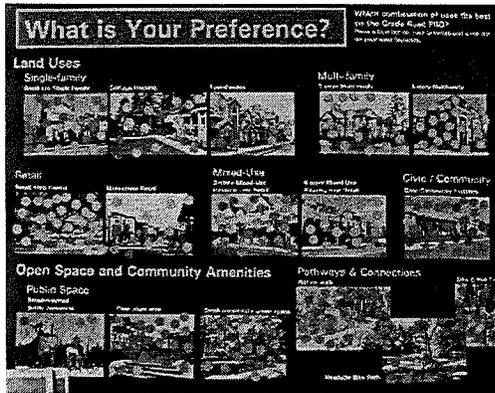
Ten years after Bainbridge Island's Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) program was implemented, no transactions had taken place. The City commissioned MAKERS to evaluate the program, which was designed to provide incentives for preserving environmentally sensitive areas, agricultural land, and open space and for fostering urban growth. Julie led the team in conducting market analysis, reviewing comparable, effective TDR programs, and delivering recommendations to transform the program into a simplified, effective tool.



Lake Stevens Planned Business District Master Plan

When a regional developer planned to build big box retail adjacent to downtown, citizens and elected officials rejected their proposal. Julie was brought on to determine the best use for the site that would satisfy the community's desires as well as the developer's financial goals. Julie:

- Led a team of economic, engineering, transportation and environmental science experts to determine the best development strategy
- Built consensus with multiple developer, owner, and community stakeholders around a vision, master plan and design guidelines on an aggressive two-month schedule

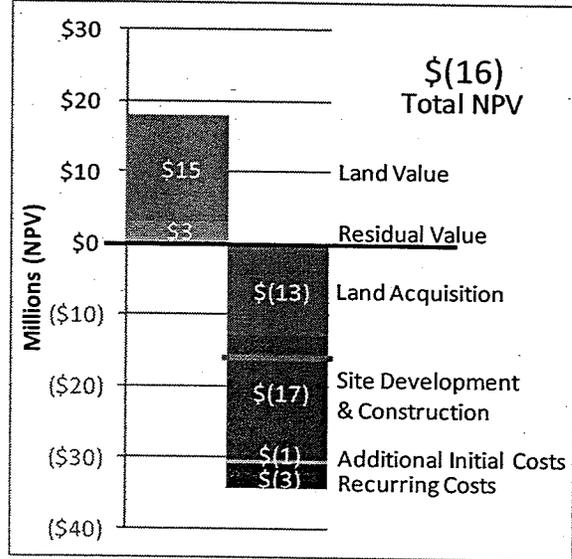




Facilities Planning

Seattle Public Utilities North Operational Complexes Facilities Analysis

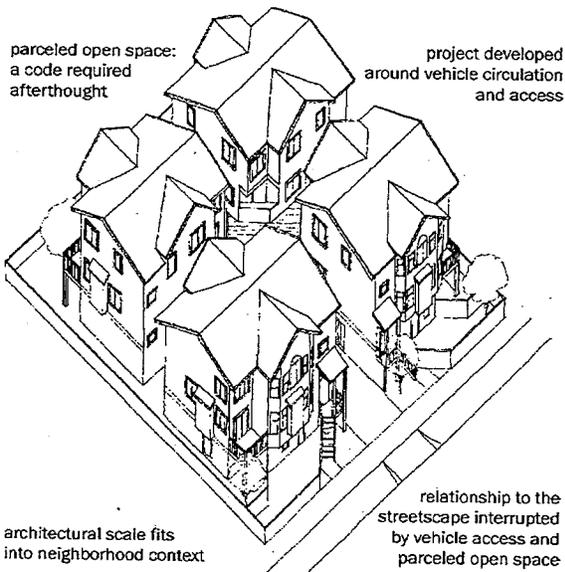
SPU needed information to support short- and long-term north operations facilities management decisions. MAKERS analysis established the framework for SPU to make thoughtful facility management decisions that will provide long-term benefits for the organization. Julie identified and evaluated alternative sites to satisfy 2028 program requirements and performed the Business Case Analysis to identify preferred facility investment strategies.



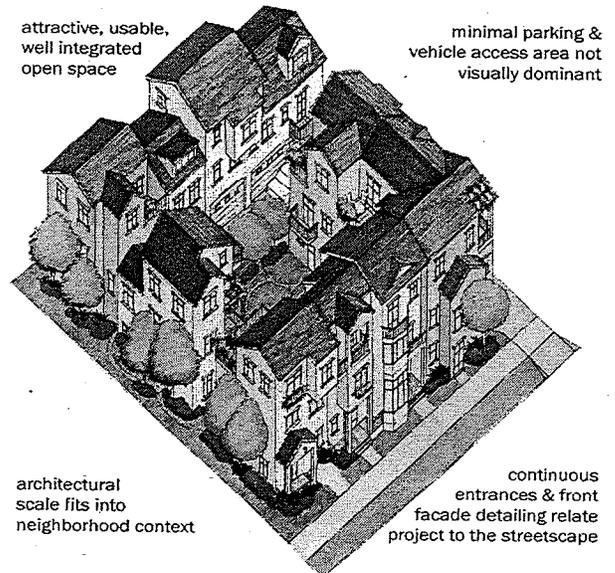
Seattle Low Rise Housing Study

Development in Seattle's Lowrise Zone 3 had averaged only 60% of allowable densities since 1994 and, in many cases, lacked design features that reinforce human scale, architectural quality, and compatibility with surroundings. The goal of the Lowrise Housing Study was to ensure well-designed development at moderate densities in the zone.

Working with real estate development economists, Julie led an effort to design prototypes and recommended development standard revisions in Lowrise 3 in support of these goals. The prototypes suggest a row house typology and include common open space, shared vehicle access, and carriage housing units in a mix of two- and three-stories dwellings. Design features are incorporated to ensure the quality of design to meet the City's design goal.



Existing Development



Prototype Development



Waterfront and Port planning

Port of Anacortes Comprehensive Plan and Public Access Plans

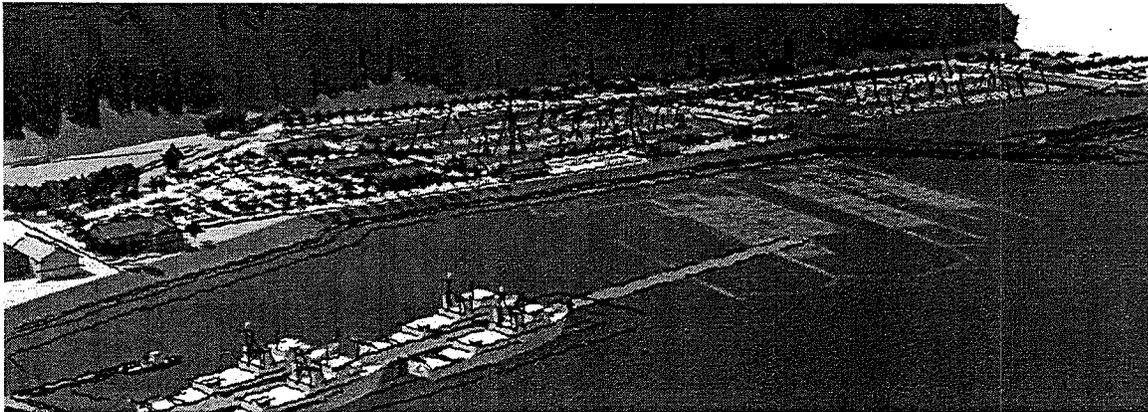
The Port needed a cohesive development and public access mitigation strategy for the Cap Sante Boat Haven marina, its deep-draft terminals, cargo piers, and industrial facilities. Working with a passionate community, Julie led the effort to create a plan provided a framework for growth, addressed environmental impacts, and outlined a long-term economic development strategy that strived to maintain the local quality of life.



Port of Port Angeles Marine Facilities and Central Waterfront Master Plans

Increasingly recognized as the Northwestern hub of yacht building and repair, Port Angeles' Central Waterfront is ripe for redevelopment. Multiple industries share the limited Port Angeles' waterfront, including luxury yacht builders, auto and passenger ferries and tanker repair operations. The Port of Port Angeles needed to determine the best way to support these industries' growth. Julie:

- Created a tool allowing the elected Commission and executive staff to identify the best use of their assets in a continually changing environment
- Negotiated a balanced solution to accommodate the expansion needs of multiple industries.



Terminal 91 Facilities Plan, Port of Seattle

The Port has long considered Terminal 91 underutilized but has been unable to reach an internal consensus around the best development strategy. Julie:

- Brought Port departments together around a cohesive strategy
- Developed a facilities plan and tool to identify marketing targets for the underutilized asset

Seattle Waterfront Charrette

Julie led a diverse team of developers, architects, planners, transportation analysts, environmental scientists, and community members in Seattle's Waterfront Visioning Charrette. The team illustrated a vision for Seattle's central waterfront to be coordinated with the replacement of the Alaska Way Viaduct and Seawall. The resulting solution focused investment, improved connections, created activity nodes and generated tax revenues and development opportunities along Seattle's waterfront



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MEMORANDUM

Date January 14, 2011

To The Honorable Richard Conlin
President, Seattle City Council

From Mayor Michael McGinn *MM*

Subject **Mayoral Appointments to the Seattle Design Commission**

I am happy to forward to the City Council the following appointments to the Seattle Design Commission. The new appointments are to the two Architect positions. The terms of the architects will end on March 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013, respectively. They carry with them the possibility of renewal.

In addition, I am appointing Julie Bassuk Chair for a one-year term ending March 1, 2012.

Name	Term Ends	Position	Succeeding
Thomas Nelson	03-01-12	Architect	Brendan Connolly
Osama Quotah	03-01-13	Architect	Mary Johnston
Julie Bassuk	03-01-12	Chair	Mary Johnston

The Seattle Design Commission is charged with design and environmental review of all capital improvement projects in the City of Seattle – those constructed on city land, with city dollars, or in city right of way. Design excellence in the public realm is a key concern for the Commission, as is the wise allocation of public resources.

The Commission was established in 1968 and is currently composed of ten members (SMC 3.58.030, Ordinance #116909): Two Licensed Architects, one Fine Artist, one Member at Large, one Get Engaged program participant and at least one and no more than two from the following categories: Professional Urban Planner, Professional Environmental or Urban Designer, Landscape Architect, and Licensed Engineer.

All appointments are subject to City Council confirmation. Attached to this memorandum is the current membership roster of the Seattle Design Commission including the new appointees.

The appointment bios for the appointees follow:

Architects:

Thomas Nelson is a principal at Mithun. He has over 25 years of experience as an architect designing major projects, with a focus on civic buildings. He's a nationally recognized expert on sustainable design. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture and a Bachelor of Science from Kent State University.

He has incredible depth of green building knowledge from big ideas down to the nuts and bolts. He served on the Cascadia board, worked on outreach within diverse communities in Los Angeles to ensure their input on the design of criminal justice facilities, and has worked with disabilities experts on his projects.

Osama Quotah is a senior associate architect at Jones & Jones Architects and Landscape Architects, Ltd. He is LEED accredited and has led the design of museums, cultural centers, parks and civic spaces. His focus is on sustainability, cultural sensitivity, and community-based design solutions. He holds a Masters of Architecture from University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Art in Architecture from the University of Washington.

His philosophy is to connect architecture and design to culture and place. He has experience on professional panels, and has managed projects where multiple government agencies were involved. Green principles guide his work, whether projects are LEED certified or not, and he encourages agencies to push the envelope in this respect.

Chair:

Julie Bassuk is a partner with the firm MAKERS Architecture and Urban Design. Her experience has focused on land use, neighborhood and facility planning for cities, port districts and federal agencies.

She has worked with stakeholders on station area planning, assisted cities in reevaluating land use policies, and contributed to a number of waterfront planning processes. Development economics and real estate are areas she has particular knowledge in. Julie is LEED certified and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. She took part in the University of Washington Commercial Real Estate Certificate Program, and she has a Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts Honors Program, Urban Issues Focus, from the University of Texas, Austin.

Attachments: Notice of appointments
Resumes
Current roster

Copy: Valerie Kinast, Coordinator, Design Commission
Marshall Foster, Planning Director, Department of Planning and Development
Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, Ethics and Elections Commission
Tania Maria Rosario, Boards and Commissions