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**City of Seattle
Notice of Re-Appointment**

Name: Graham Black		<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: Judkins Park	Zip Code: 98144	Contact Phone No.: (206) 523-6150
Re-Appointed to: Seattle Design Commission		Date of Re-Appointment: October 1, 2010
Authority (Ord., Res.): Ordinance # 116909		Term of Office: From: Confirmation To: March 1, 2013
Comments: Re-Appointment to the Seattle Design Commission At Large position for a two-year term.		
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

November 2010

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) F	Mary Johnston	2	2011 Mar-1	Architect
(6) F	Brendan Connolly	1	2011 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)

<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Vacant</u>	<u>Minority</u>	(1) <u>Asian</u>	(2) <u>Black</u>	(3) <u>Hisp</u>	(4) <u>Nat.Amer</u>	(5) <u>Other</u>	(6) <u>Caucasian</u>
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Graham P. Black

EDUCATION

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA

Juris Doctorate (JD), cum laude 1996

Macalester College, Saint Paul, MN

Bachelor of Arts Degree, Major: Political Science 1992

WORK EXPERIENCE

gProjects LLC, Owner and Manager, Seattle, WA

2002 to Present

gProjects develops and builds high quality, contemporary, infill homes in Seattle's urban core. Since 2002 we have completed a series of projects that blend community-oriented site planning, contemporary architecture, and green building. gProjects has 15 employees and builds between 10 and 12 homes per year.

Buck and Gordon, Associate, Seattle, WA

2000 - 2002

Practice areas focused on land use, property, and municipal law.

Kenyon Law Firm, Associate, Issaquah, WA

1996 - 2000

Served as City Attorney for Duval and assistant City Attorney for North Bend.

CIVIC

CASA Latina, Board Member

2005 to Present

Current chair of the building committee overseeing construction of organization's headquarters.

Newcomer's Project, Pro-bono attorney

2001 - 2004

Successfully recovered wages for immigrants through litigation.

DISTINCTIONS

Winner Built Green Incentive Grant

2007

Awarding gProjects' 7 home, 5-Star project at 19th and E. Pine.

Annual Pro Bono Award

2002

Granted by the Newcomer's Project of the King County Bar Association for representation of immigrants in wage claim cases.



Michael McGinn
Mayor, City of Seattle

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MEMORANDUM

Date October 1, 2010

To The Honorable Richard Conlin
President, Seattle City Council

From Mayor Michael McGinn *MPM*

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

I am happy to forward to the City Council the following appointments and reappointments to the Seattle Design Commission. The reappointments are to the Landscape Architect, Engineer, and At Large positions. The reappointments will end on March 1, 2013 and cannot be renewed.

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

Name	Term Ends	Position	Succeeding
Andrew Barash	03-01-13	Engineer (Transportation)	Reappointment
Julie Parrett	03-01-13	Landscape Architect	Reappointment
Graham Black	03-01-13	At Large (Developer)	Reappointment
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:

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New Appointments

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.

Reappointments

Landscape Architect:

Julie Parrett works as the Design Director for the People's Waterfront Coalition, an organization she co-founded, to re-envision Seattle's downtown waterfront without the Viaduct. Previously, she was a Principal at Charles Anderson Landscape Architecture, where she was landscape architecture project manager for the Olympic Sculpture Park as well as Mineral Springs Park. She has taught design studios at the University of Washington and the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Prior to moving to Seattle, she practiced with James Corner / Field Operations in Philadelphia. She has a Masters in Landscape Architecture from the University of Pennsylvania and a BS in Architecture from the University of Virginia.

Julie is a very active member of the Design Commission, contributing attentively and purposefully at meetings and serving on consultant selection and interview panels outside of meetings. She is one of the Design Commission's two representatives on the Public Art Advisory Committee.

At Large Member:

Graham Black owns and manages gProjects, a small family run company that builds and develops townhouse projects primarily in Seattle's central neighborhoods. His projects blend contemporary design with community building site planning and sustainability. Previous to becoming a developer, he ran a law practice that focused on municipal law, which entailed working with many civic commissions and boards in different capacities. He holds a JD in law from Seattle University and a BA from Macalester College.

Graham provides thoughtfully to the design reviews at Design Commission meetings. His perspective as a developer and former lawyer is valuable. He has served on a consultant selection panel.

Engineer:

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Andrew Barash is a project engineer with CH2M HILL's Transportation Business Group, where he manages nine staff as part of the Transportation Planning group. He focuses on the planning, design, and business development of transportation-related projects. His design work includes geometric design, channelization, signal, illumination, and signing design. His planning work includes conceptual design, freeway functional planning, corridor studies, alternative analysis, traffic analysis, accident analysis, and traffic impact studies. He was the Deputy Project Manager and Lead Concept Designer for the SR 519 Intermodal Access Project. He holds a MS in Transportation Engineering and Planning and BS in Civil Engineering from the University of Washington.

Andrew provides much needed expertise as the Design Commission reviews large transportation infrastructure projects. His input on projects with improvements in the right of way is also very valuable. He has spent much time out of meetings on selection panels, interviews and analysis of issues.

Attachments: Notice of appointment
Resume
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 María Rosario, Boards and Commissions