

City of Seattle

Notice of Appointment

Name: <i>Michael L. Barta</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Madrona</i>	Zip Code: <i>98112</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>206-684-4537</i>
Appointed to: <i>At-large member of the Seattle Commission for People with disabilities</i>		Date of Appointment: <i>December 7, 2011</i>
Authority (Ord., Res.): <i>S.M.C. 3.14.920</i>		Term of Office From: <i>Confirmation</i> To: <i>April 30, 2013</i>
Background: <i>Mike Barta has a background in disability theory specifically related to inclusion, stigma, and independence. Mike was a member of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines working group for the W3C which created the standard for digital accessibility concerns. He is knowledgeable about adaptive solutions, both technical AT and practical work arounds. Mike is retired from 15 years at Microsoft and is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Policy. Mike looks forward to working for more inclusion of 'digital divide' concerns as he joins the Commission.</i>		
Authorizing Signature: <i>Bruce C. Harrell</i>		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Bruce Harrell, Council Member



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MICHAEL L. BARTA

OBJECTIVE

To grow as a leader. To enable and empower through policy.

WORK EXPERIENCE

09 – Present Unorthodox Solutions Redmond, WA

Owner

Researching and developing technologies with an eye to transforming the policy debate surrounding assistive and adaptive electronic and information technology. Specifically automated accessibility audit systems.

99 – 09 Microsoft Corporation Redmond, WA

Dev Lead

Owned infrastructure and Integration, with MS products, for the MSDN team. Developed content management and dissemination system to get MSDN content and news into the VS.Net product. Developed the VS.Net start page as a consumer of this system.

ReOrged to CDDG Communities effort. Ported the MSDN rendering code base into ASPX and abstracted it to use dynamic content. Led design for 1.1 and 2.0 versions of the Communities data store and middle tier.

Led effort to release “smart components” to surface community data organically within client and 3rd party sites. These have been called “the crown jewel” of the communities team by our business team for the reach and impact that they enabled.

95 – 99 Various Contract Agencies Seattle, WA

SDET – MS Works4.0

Designed, built, ran automated document and printer tests

SDET – MS Word5.0

Converted automation harness from WordBasic to VBA.

SDET – MS Exchange 4.0 – 5.0

Owned testing for the NNTP protocol engine

SDET – IE4.0 Multimedia

Owned testing for filters and effects engines in Trident2D

PM – MS Chromeffects

Designed inverse kinematics model and manipulation UI

PM – MS BackOffice4.5

Owned technical design of Trident based portion of the Polar collaboration toolset

6/87 – 6/92 U.S. Intelligence (INSCOM)

Signals Intercept & Analysis

Intercepted, translated, and analyzed Russian intel data. Performed various threat and damage assessment functions.

PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 (2008)

System and Method for XML based content management – Patented
4/12/2002

Professional IE4 Programming, Mike Barta et al.
Wrox Press Inc; (November 1997)

Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities

December 7, 2011

15 members, confirmed by City Council, who serve a term of 2-years:

- 7 appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council
- 7 appointed by City Council
- 1 appointed by the Commission, confirmed by City Council

1 Get Engaged Member, confirmed by City Council who serves a single term of 1-year

D	G	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
6	F	Rebecca Cory	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		City Council
1	F	Vickie Foster	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		City Council
1	F	Mary Beth Lum	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		City Council
6	F	Deborah Wittmer	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		City Council
6	M	Mike Barta	9-22-2011	4-30-2013	1st		City Council
6	F	Laura Gramer	5-10-2010	4-30-2013	2 nd		City Council
6	M	Gary Stobbe	5-10-2010	4-30-2013	2 nd		City Council
5	F	Saron McKee	09-06-2011	4-30-2013	1 st		Commission
6	M	Mark Adreon	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		Mayor
6	F	Charlene Curtiss	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		Mayor
2	F	Hope Drummond	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		Mayor
6	F	Sara Woody	5-10-2010	4-30-2012	1 st		Mayor
6	M	Joshua Caple	5-10-2010	4-30-2013	2 nd		Mayor
6	F	Patricia Copeland	5-10-2010	4-30-2013	2 nd	Co/Chair	Mayor
6	F	Erica Sekins	5-10-2010	4-30-2013	2 nd	Co/Chair	Mayor
2	M	Jonathan Porter	9-6-2011	9-1-2012	1 st	Get Engaged	Mayor

(sorted by appt auth, term end date and name)

Diversity

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic Latin@	(4) Native-American	(5) Other	(6) Caucasian
Mayor	2	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6
Council	1	5	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	5
Commission	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1*	0
Get Engaged	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	5	11	0	5	2	2	0	0	1	11

*Mixed race