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City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment

Name: *ASER D. ASHKIR*		X **Executive Appointment** ☐ **Reappointment** ☐ **Legislative Appointment** ☐ **Agency Appointment** ☐ **PDA Council** ☐ **PDA Constituency**
Residential Neighborhood: *High Point*	**Zip Code:** *98126*	**Contact Phone No.:** *N/A*
Appointed to: *Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners*		**Date of Appointment:** *November 20, 2012*
Authority (Ord., Res.): *RCW 35.82*		**Term of Office:** **From:** *Confirmation* **To:** *October1, 2014*

Background:

Mr. Ashkir is being appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Yusef Cabi.

Mr. Ashkir is currently the Youth and Family Program Director at the Hope Academic Enrichment Center. Previous employment includes working at Neighborhood House as an Employment and Training Program Supervisor.

Mr. Ashkir supports the goals of SHA and is looking forward to working closely with the other members of the Commission .He also feels that living in the Highpoint neighborhood has given him an even greater understanding of the needs of the community.

Mr. Ashkir graduated from Ohio State University, in 2002, with a degree in Economics.

Authorizing Signature:	**Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment:** *Mayor Mike McGinn*

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Aser D. Ashkir

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Eight years of Extensive experience in working with diverse cultural backgrounds
- Four years of Budget Management
- Nine years of working with local Nonprofit service providers
- More than six years of experience building and strengthening partnerships with employment, education and community service providers
- Relationship Building skills
- Conflict Resolution
- Special Events Planning
- Four years of supervision and management skills
- Extensive experience in program outreach, utilizing my tri-lingual skills (Somali, Arabic & English)

WORK EXPIENCE

Youth and Family Program Director, Hope Academic Enrich Center 10/11-Present

- Mentor and counsel organization's CEO
- Assist program managers
- Work closely with Board of Directors
- Build relations with other local grassroots
- Help plan special events (e.g. graduations, fundraising & community meetings)
- Control press release, media contact, and law enforcement interaction

Employment & Training program Supervisor, Neighborhood House (NH) 7/08 – 9/11

- Developed, implemented and monitored evaluation tools to assess education & job search training tools
- Designed programs by providing educational employment curriculum and program enrichment.
- Trained and supported direct service staff in developing strong employer and service provider relationships
- Worked closely with Employment & Adult Education Manager and other employment team members
- Managed resource building by strengthening collaboration and partnerships through local employment providers, educational institutions and community-based organizations.
- Overseeing and managing program budgets and monitoring outcomes in accordance with department plans
- Recruited, hired, trained and supervised qualified staff in alignment with NH employment & education requirements.

ESL and Employment Case Manager, Refugee Resettlement Office, Seattle, WA 5/03 - 1/08

- Coordinated ESL and employment programs, taught ESL job search trainings and related activities
- Maintained direct involvement in low income communities in Seattle, including ESL job development, resettlement, social and immigration services

- Managed cont[illegible]t compliance for extensive, diverse case[illegible]ds
- Utilized bi-lingual language skills to assist new refugees in obtaining resources to meet their basic needs
- Taught financial literacy for Individual Account Development students to build or expand businesses
- Conducted cultural and employment workshops

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

- Tutoring adult refugee and immigrant students, Hope Academy, Seattle, WA 8/08 -present
- Instructing 5th through 9th grade immigrant ESL students
- Tutoring computer literacy & ESL to immigrant and refugee ESL level two adults, South Seattle Community College, Seattle, WA , 10/10 – 12/11

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

- Hope Academic Enrichment Center
- Refugee Support Services Coalition
- East African Community
- Somali Community of Seattle
- Al-noor Islamic Center

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION

- BA Economics, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 2002
- Certificate TESOL, Seattle Central Community College, Seattle, WA 2010
- Certificate of Leadership, Neighborhood House, Seattle, WA 2010
- Certificate of Financial Literacy Trainer, Refugee Resettlement Office, Seattle, WA 2006

LANGUAGE: fluency in Somali, English and knowledgeable of oral and written Arabic

Honors

- Board of president's, Hope Academic, 2009-2011
- Founder and President of Somali Student Association, Ohio State, 1998 to 2003
- Vice President of African Student Association, University of Toledo, 1998

Seattle Housing Authority (SHA)
Board of Commissioners
September, 2012

7 members: Per R.C.W. 35-82, appointed by the Mayor, confirmed by City Council, 4-year terms

D	G	Commissioner	Appointed	Term Expires	Term #	Position
1	M	Min, Kollin	07/07/08	3/20/16	1	At-Large
2	M	Thiele, Debbie C.	9/19/12	03/20/13	1	At-Large
5	M	Morrison, Douglas H.	08/02/10	03/20/14	1	Resident
2	**M**	**Ashkir, Aser D.**	**11/20/2012**	**10/1/14**	**1**	**Resident**
6	M	Littel, John	03/26/07	10/01/14	2	CHAIR, At-Large
6	F	Gibson, Nora	08/13/07	03/20/15	2	VICE-CHAIR, At-Large
3	M	Martinez, Juan	08/13/07	03/20/15	2	At-Large

Diversity

Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic	(4) Native-American	(5)** Other	(6) Caucasian
5	*2*	*0*	*3*	*1*	*1*	*1*	*0*	*0*	*4*

***Other includes diversity in any of the following: race, gender and/or ability*