

PROCLAMATION


Aly Pennucci Day


- WHEREAS,** Aly Pennucci has served on the Seattle City Council Central Staff for over 9 years and at the City of Seattle for over 11 years; and
- WHEREAS,** During that time Aly has demonstrated a true commitment to the City through her leadership, shaping high-performing teams, improving overall culture, and building connections and collaborations across departments and organizations to strengthen the foundational fabric of our City; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly worked her way from Senior Planning & Development Specialist in the Department of Planning and Development (now the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections) to Central Staff Legislative Analyst, Public Policy & Budget Manager, and finally Deputy Director; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly took on the gargantuan task of overseeing the analysis for the Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit Environmental Impact Statement, which the City successfully defended against legal challenges, and has resulted in greater options for housing within Seattle's Neighborhood Residential zones; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly ultimately found her true calling as a budget maven when she stepped up to manage the City Council's annual budget review and adoption process during a global pandemic; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly was instrumental in negotiating on the Council's behalf with the Executive to jointly develop the Seattle Rescue Plan, which allocated \$300 million in federal recovery funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to respond to the urgent needs of Seattle's residents, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations during the height of the pandemic; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly facilitated transformative legislative changes to the timeliness and usefulness of budget information available to the legislative branch, through her work on creating the independent Office of Economic and Revenue Forecasts and the Fiscal Transparency Program; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly has served as a reliable thought partner, trusted counselor, mediator, and problem-solver in countless ways, and was a stabilizing presence and helped maintain operations during the transition of two Central Staff Directors; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly never backed down from a challenge in service of the people of Seattle and brought her "spark" to do so when necessary; and

- WHEREAS,** Aly has been the consummate Central Staff analyst and manager, demonstrating excellence in her work as an analyst and supporting and empowering her colleagues to achieve excellence in fulfilling Central Staff's important role of assisting the City Council to carry out its critical policy and budget functions; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly is dedicated to transparency in public process and decision making; and is uniquely talented in bringing order, predictability, and transparency to complex processes – like the budget – that is valued by all; and
- WHEREAS,** Aly is affectionately known by her colleagues as “Madame Pennucci” and “Boss Lady”; leading with a rare and special combination of grace, humor, humility, toughness, honesty, empathy, and compassion; and
- WHEREAS,** The City of Seattle bittersweetly supports her in her new role as Deputy Executive for Whatcom County; and
- WHEREAS,** The City of Seattle honors Aly Pennucci – a person of the highest caliber as evidenced through her legacy of brilliance, devotion to public service, and commitment to our city;


*NOW, THEREFORE THE MAYOR AND SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZE
ALY PENNUCCI'S DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF SEATTLE AND
PROCLAIM FRIDAY, JUNE 28TH, 2024, TO BE*

ALY PENNUCCI DAY




Mayor Bruce A. Harrell


Councilmember Joy Hollingsworth

Councilmember Robert Kettle

Councilmember Tammy J. Morales

Councilmember Maritza Rivera

Councilmember Rob Saka

Councilmember Dan Strauss

Councilmember Tanya Woo