



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Legislative Summary

CB 118984

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Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Office for Civil Rights; amending Section 3.14.920 of the Seattle Municipal Code to increase the membership of the Seattle Human Rights Commission, the Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) Commission, and the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and change the appointment authority for these and the Seattle Women's Commission.

Date

Notes:

Filed with City Clerk: 8/2/2017

Mayor's Signature: 7/26/2017

Sponsors: Herbold

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

Attachments: Mayor's Letter on Returning Bill Unsigned

Drafter: patrick.wigren@seattle.gov

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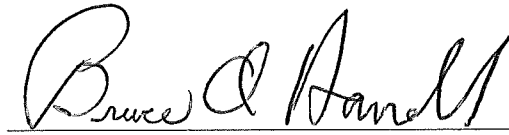
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Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	City Clerk	05/09/2017	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office Notes:						
1	Council President's Office	05/15/2017	sent for review	Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee Notes:						
1	Full Council	05/22/2017	referred	Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee			

- 1 Civil Rights, Utilities, 05/23/2017 discussed
Economic Development,
and Arts Committee
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was discussed.
Notes:
- 1 Civil Rights, Utilities, 06/13/2017 pass Pass
Economic Development,
and Arts Committee
Action Text: The Committee recommends that Full Council pass the Council Bill (CB).
Notes: Councilmember Herbold made a motion to pass CB 118984, with a Full Council vote on
Monday, July 10. The committee voted 3-0 in favor.
In Favor: 3 Chair Herbold, Vice Chair Sawant, Member O'Brien
Opposed: 0
- 1 Full Council 07/10/2017 held Pass
Action Text: The Motion carried, and Council Bill (CB) 118984 was held until July 24, 2017 by the following vote:
Notes:
In Favor: 9 Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember Burgess, Councilmember
González , Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold,
Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember
O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant
Opposed: 0
- 1 Full Council 07/24/2017 passed Pass
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Bill:
Notes:
In Favor: 7 Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember Burgess, Councilmember
González , Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold,
Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Sawant
Opposed: 0
- 1 City Clerk 07/25/2017 submitted for Mayor
Mayor's signature
- 1 Mayor 08/02/2017 returned unsigned
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was returned unsigned.
Notes:
- 1 Mayor 08/02/2017 returned City Clerk
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was returned. to the City Clerk
Notes:
- 1 City Clerk 08/02/2017 attested by City
Clerk
Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was attested by City Clerk.
Notes:
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Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the 24th day of July, 2017,
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 24th day of
July, 2017.



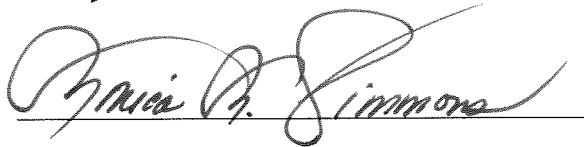
President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this _____ day of _____, 2017.

**Returned Unsigned
by Mayor**

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this 2nd day of AUGUST, 2017.



Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)



City of Seattle
Mayor Edward B. Murray

August 2, 2017

Monica Martinez Simmons
Seattle City Clerk
600 4th Avenue, 3rd Floor
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Ms. Martinez Simmons,

I am returning Council Bill 118984 without my signature, understanding that it will become law.

This legislation increases the size of the Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle LGBTQ Commission, and Seattle Commission for People with DisAbilities from 16 members to 21 members per commission. This will align the size of these commissions with the 21-member Seattle Women's Commission. I support this section of the Council Bill.

However, I do not support the legislation's modification to Seattle Municipal Code 3.14.920(B), which changes *who* appoints the commission members to these four commissions. Specifically, this legislation significantly expands the number of members appointed by the commissions themselves, as opposed to the regular Mayor and Council appointment process.

Historically, appointments to nearly all of our City boards and commissions have been split on a 50-50 basis between the Mayor and Council. This makes sense, as board and commission members are appointed to serve in an advisory role to the Mayor and Council. Given that advisory boards and commissions are created to provide guidance to the Mayor and Council on policy and other issues, it is therefore important for the Mayor and Council to retain the power of determining who will actually advise them.

While this bill modifies the appointment process for only four commissions, it sets a new precedent for all of the City's 70+ boards and commissions. I caution future mayors and councils against further delegation of their appointment powers to boards and commissions, or else they may run the risk that these bodies will become unaccountable to the City officials they are charged with advising.

Sincerely,



Edward B. Murray
Mayor of Seattle

CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE 125370

COUNCIL BILL 118984

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Office for Civil Rights; amending Section 3.14.920 of the Seattle Municipal Code to increase the membership of the Seattle Human Rights Commission, the Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) Commission, and the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities and change the appointment authority for these and the Seattle Women's Commission.

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle created the Seattle Women's Commission in 1973 to act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, City Council, and other City departments and offices regarding equality for women, including making recommendations regarding the development of programs for the promotion of equality, justice, and understanding within the City; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle created the Human Rights Commission in 1969 to act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, City Council, and City departments on matters affecting human rights, including making recommendations for the promotion of equality, justice, and understanding among all citizens within the City; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle created the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays in 1989, now the Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) Commission, to advise the Mayor, City Council, and other City departments and offices on issues "of importance to lesbians and gays"; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle created the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities in 2010 to assist the Mayor, City Council, and City departments to address the concerns of people with disabilities and recommend policies and practices on matters affecting concerns of people with disabilities; and

1 WHEREAS, the Seattle Women’s Commission, the Seattle Human Rights Commission, the
2 Seattle LGBTQ Commission, and the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities,
3 hereinafter the “Four OCR Commissions,” have ably served our City for years on matters
4 within their purviews; and

5 WHEREAS, those serving on the Four OCR Commissions do so in a volunteer capacity and are
6 thus more limited in their ability to act due to time constraints and conflicting obligations;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the Four OCR Commissions have expressed a need for additional commissioners to
9 more ably fulfill their functions and connect with the greater Seattle community; and

10 WHEREAS, the Four OCR Commissions have also expressed a desire to have additional
11 appointments made by their commissions because they can often do so more quickly and
12 with greater understanding of the present composition of the commission to promote
13 diversity and effectiveness; and

14 WHEREAS, the capacity and capabilities of the City’s volunteer boards and commissions
15 typically rise when additional members are appointed; and

16 WHEREAS, additional commissioners will improve and enhance the ability to complete each
17 commission’s work through proactive research and analysis, improved community
18 outreach, more extensive programming, more diverse recruitment, and better
19 collaboration with City departments; and

20 WHEREAS, the increase in the number of commissioners will decrease the need for other paid
21 staff to do this work; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1992, The City of Seattle amended its code to increase the Seattle Women’s
23 Commission from 15 to 20 members; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle recognizes the value in having strong advisory commissions on issues affecting the human, political, and socioeconomic rights of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle recognizes the value in increased independence of the Four OCR Commissions from the Mayor and City Council to ensure effectiveness and objectivity; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 3.14.920 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 125231, is amended as follows:

3.14.920 Commission—Established—Membership

There is established a Seattle Women’s Commission, to be composed of ~~((20))~~ 21 members appointed from among those persons who are conscious of the discrimination against and oppression of women in this society, and who are working to eliminate these injustices; a Seattle Human Rights Commission, to be composed of ~~((15))~~ 21 members who shall be representative residents and shall include representatives of minority communities, other protected classes, and persons with demonstrated concern and background in human rights; a Seattle LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) Commission, to be composed of ~~((15))~~ 21 members appointed from among those persons who are conscious of the discrimination against and oppression of lesbians, gays, and sexual minorities in this society, and who are working to eliminate these injustices; and a Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities, to be composed of ~~((15))~~ 21 members appointed from among those persons who are conscious of the discrimination against and oppression and neglect of people with disabilities, and who are working to eliminate these injustices. Upon the expiration of existing terms, new appointments to

each position on each commission shall be made under this Section 3.14.920 by the authority originally appointing persons to that position, as follows:

A. Seattle Women's Commission: ~~((Nine-9)))~~ Eight members shall be appointed by the Mayor, ~~((nine-9)))~~ eight members shall be appointed by the City Council, and four ~~((the nineteenth and twentieth))~~ members shall be appointed by the Commission as constituted; provided that, such appointments shall be made so as to reflect the diversity of the community.

B. Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) Commission, and Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities: For each of these commissions, ~~((seven))~~ eight members shall be appointed by the Mayor, ~~((seven))~~ eight members shall be appointed by the City Council, and ~~((the fifteenth member))~~ four members shall be appointed by the Commission as constituted; provided, that such appointments shall be made so as to reflect the diversity of the community.

C. Pursuant to the Get Engaged program, Chapter 3.51, one designated young adult position shall be added to each of these four commissions: the Seattle Women's Commission, the Seattle Human Rights Commission, the Seattle LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) Commission, and the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities. Pursuant to Section 3.51.030, the designated young adult shall be nominated by the Mayor and shall be subject to confirmation by the City Council by majority vote. The terms of service related to a young adult member's role on each of these commissions shall be as set forth in Chapter 3.51.

D. All appointments other than City Council appointments shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the City Council. Each member appointed pursuant to the authority of this ~~((section))~~ Section 3.14.920 shall serve for a term of two years, but no member of the Seattle Human Rights Commission shall serve more than two consecutive two year terms.

1 No member of the Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission, Seattle Women's Commission,
2 or the Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities shall serve more than three consecutive
3 two year terms. The Seattle LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Commission does not
4 have term limits. If a member is appointed to serve an unexpired term of a previous commission
5 member, that term shall qualify as one of two consecutive terms only if the length of the
6 unexpired term actually served is one year or more. Any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired
7 term in the same manner as an original appointment. A member whose term is ending may
8 continue on an interim basis as a member with voting rights until such time as a successor for
9 that position has been appointed by the City Council or confirmed by the City Council.

STATE OF WASHINGTON -- KING COUNTY

--SS.

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CITY OF SEATTLE, CLERKS OFFICE

Affidavit of Publication

The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

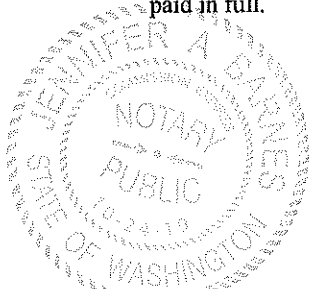
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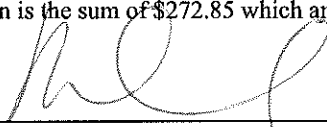
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Affidavit of Publication


Subscribed and sworn to before me on

08/10/2017


Notary public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle

State of Washington, King County

City of Seattle

The full text of the following legislation, approved by the City Council on July 24, 2017, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://seattle.legistar.com>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>.

Ordinance 125357

Council Bill 119028

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at page 113 of the Official Land Use Map to rezone property located at 2320 E Union Street from Neighborhood Commercial 2 with a Pedestrian Overlay and 40-foot height limit (NC2P-40) and Neighborhood Commercial 2 with a 40-foot height limit (NC2-40) to Neighborhood Commercial 2 with a Pedestrian Overlay and a 65-foot height limit (NC2P-65), and accepting a Property Use and Development Agreement as a condition of rezoning approval. (Petition by Capitol Hill Housing, C.F. 814349, SDCI Project 3018178)

Ordinance 125359

Council Bill 118981

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at pages 112 and 113 of the Official Land Use Map to rezone land in the 23rd and Cherry node of the 23rd & Union-Jackson Residential Urban Village; and amending Sections 23.45.510, 23.45.512, 23.45.514, and 23.45.517 of the Seattle Municipal Code to implement Mandatory Housing Affordability (MHA).

Ordinance 125360

Council Bill 118982

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at pages 112 and 113 of the Official Land Use Map to rezone land in the 23rd and Union node of the 23rd & Union-Jackson Residential Urban Village; amending Section 23.47A.009 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adopt development standards for certain properties in the 23rd & Union-Jackson Residential Urban Village; and amending Sections 23.58C.040 and 23.58C.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code to implement Mandatory Housing Affordability (MHA).

Ordinance 125361

Council Bill 118983

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at pages 118 and 119 of the Official Land Use Map to rezone land in the 23rd and Jackson node of the 23rd & Union-Jackson Residential Urban Village to support community vision and implement Mandatory Housing Affordability (MHA); and amending Section 23.47A.009 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adopt development standards for certain properties in the 23rd & Union-Jackson Residential Urban Village.

Ordinance 125362

Council Bill 118980

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Section 23.41.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code to update the list of approved neighborhood design guidelines; approving and adopting the new Mount Baker Town Center Design Guidelines; and approving and adopting augmented Pike/Pine Design Guidelines.

Ordinance 125363

Council Bill 119004

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Map A for Section 23.68B.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC); and amending the Official Land Use

Map (Chapter 23.82 of the SMC) to make typographical corrections related to Exhibit A to Ordinance 125291 that rezoned certain land in Downtown, South Lake Union, and adjacent IC zones.

Ordinance 125364

Council Bill 119021

AN ORDINANCE relating to the reconstruction of Alaskan Way and the construction of Elliott Way surface street improvements necessary as part of the State of Washington's State Route 99 Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Program; authorizing the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to execute an Agreement with the State of Washington whereby the State will fund the construction of those improvements by The City of Seattle; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Ordinance 125365

Council Bill 119024

AN ORDINANCE relating to funding for housing and community development programs; adopting The City of Seattle 2017 Annual Action Plan to the 2014 - 2017 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development and authorizing its submission to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; authorizing acceptance of grant funds from that department for programs and activities included in the Annual Action Plan; amending Ordinance 125207, which adopted the 2017 Budget, by modifying appropriations to various departments and budget control levels in the 2017 Adopted Budget; and lifting a proviso; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

Ordinance 125366

Council Bill 119026

AN ORDINANCE relating to property at Sand Point; authorizing the Housing Director to execute an amendment to and partial termination of the lease of City of Seattle land authorized by Ordinance 122459, as amended pursuant to Ordinance 123196, to remove two parcels from that lease; authorizing a new lease of the removed parcels to SPH Two LLLP; authorizing deeds to buildings on those parcels; authorizing related documents and actions; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Ordinance 125367

Council Bill 119031

AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 125205, which conditioned the Seattle Department of Transportation's 2017 grant applications and repealed Ordinance 118719.

Ordinance 125368

Council Bill 119032

AN ORDINANCE related to City public works and the priority hire program; amending Sections 20.37.010, 20.37.020, 20.37.040, and 20.37.050 of the Seattle Municipal Code to change references to "project labor agreement" to "community workforce agreement," to make certain technical corrections, and to change the number of core workers open-shop contractors may bring to a project.

Ordinance 125369

Council Bill 119033

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims and ordering the payment thereof.

Ordinance 125370

Council Bill 118984

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