



Seattle City Council 2020-2021 Committee Assignments

Council Committees make recommendations to the City Council on Council Bills, Resolutions, and Clerk Files based on the committee members' judgments of what policies and actions will advance the interests and promote the welfare of the people of the City of Seattle.

STANDING COMMITTEES	MEETING DATES	TIME	CHAIR	VICE-CHAIR	MEMBER	MEMBER	MEMBER	ALTERNATE
Community Economic Development	3 rd Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.	Morales	Lewis	Juarez	Pedersen	Sawant	Herbold
Finance and Housing	1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.	Mosqueda	Herbold	González	Lewis	Strauss	Morales
Governance and Education	2 nd Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.	González	Juarez	Mosqueda	Sawant	Strauss	Lewis
Land Use and Neighborhoods	2 nd and 4 th Wednesdays	9:30 a.m.	Strauss	Mosqueda	Juarez	Lewis	Pedersen	González
Public Assets and Native Communities	1 st Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.	Juarez	Pedersen	Herbold	Mosqueda	Sawant	Strauss
Public Safety and Human Services	2 nd and 4 th Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.	Herbold	González	Lewis	Morales	Sawant	Pedersen
Sustainability and Renters' Rights	4 th Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.	Sawant	Morales	Juarez	Lewis	Pedersen	Mosqueda
Transportation and Utilities	1 st and 3 rd Wednesdays	9:30 a.m.	Pedersen	Strauss	González	Herbold	Morales	Juarez

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- City Council Briefings are held on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Departments and other agencies present information to Councilmembers.
- The City Council meets in formal, public session on Mondays at 2:00 p.m. Committee recommendations are voted upon.
- The public is welcome at all Council Briefings, City Council, standing and select committee meetings.
- All meetings and public hearings are held in the Council Chamber on the 2nd floor of City Hall unless otherwise noted.
- For more information about a particular committee, check with the office of the chair of the committee. In general, public comment at committee meetings and at formal or informal public hearings is limited up to 2 minutes.

Community Economic Development: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: economic development policies and programs; including the Office of Economic Development, small business development and support, Business Improvement Areas, workforce development, and improving access and opportunities to education and training for low- and middle-income workers, youth and communities of color; civil rights issues, including the Office for Civil Rights, except for issues related to tenant rights and protections; arts and cultural activities, nightlife issues, and special events; film and music activities; and the equitable development initiative and its projects.

Finance and Housing: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: the financial management and policies of the City and its agents, including the operating and capital budgets, levies, taxes, revenue, audits, and judgments and claims against the City (the Finance and Housing Committee is the Finance Committee required by the Seattle City Charter); oversight of the City's public works construction projects except as otherwise specified; the City Employees' Retirement System; the Department of Finance and Administrative Services, including the Seattle Animal Shelter, the City's fleets and facilities, the Customer Service Bureau, and other administrative functions; housing policies and programs, including the Office of Housing, investing and promoting the development and preservation of affordable housing for workers, families, and retirees; the Office of Labor Standards; and monitoring implementation of the priority hire program and promoting worker protections.

Governance and Education: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: regional, state, federal, and other governmental matters including Charter review, code improvement, the Office of Intergovernmental Relations, and rules of the City Council; City personnel issues, including labor-management relations, collective bargaining agreements, and other issues related to salary rates, hours, and other conditions of employment; the Office of the Employee Ombud; the City Auditor; the Office of Hearing Examiner; ethics and elections, including the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission; immigrant and refugee rights, including the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs; and education and early learning initiatives, including the Department of Education and Early Learning, the City's Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Levy, with a goal of improving City schools and student success rates and reducing achievement gaps.

Land Use and Neighborhoods: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: planning and land use, including comprehensive planning, community development, zoning, design, and land use regulations, including the Office of Planning and Community Development, and the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections, except for issues related to rental regulations; Major Institution Master Plans and quasi-judicial land use decisions; and the Department of Neighborhoods, including neighborhood planning, engagement and outreach, funding opportunities, and historic preservation.

Public Assets and Native Communities: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: parks, community centers, and public grounds (including the Seattle Parks and Recreation, Woodland Park Zoo and Seattle Aquarium); the Seattle Center; the Seattle Public Library system; the Office of the Waterfront; and Native American issues, including housing affordability, health and mental health services, services for youth, access to justice, art and culture, and historic preservation.

Public Safety and Human Services: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: criminal justice and law enforcement, with special emphasis on programs and strategies to reduce crime, domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, and youth violence (including the Seattle Police Department and the City Attorney's Office); police accountability (including the Office of Police Accountability, Office of Inspector General, and the Community Police Commission), and the implementation of the Settlement Agreement between the Department of Justice and the City of Seattle regarding the Seattle Police Department; coordination with municipal, regional, state, and federal agencies engaged in public safety issues (including the Seattle Municipal Court); fire prevention and suppression, and emergency medical services; emergency preparedness, management, and response; youth justice, alternatives to youth detention, and alternative housing options to youth incarceration; human services including but not limited to: child care, aging, and disability services; and the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program; and local and regional public health.

Sustainability and Renters' Rights: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: urban sustainability, including the Office of Sustainability and Environment, climate justice, conservation programs, green buildings, and food policy; and renters' rights, including but not limited to legislation intended to protect renters facing gentrification, economic evictions, excessive background checks, and unaffordable rent.

Transportation and Utilities: To provide policy direction and oversight and to deliberate and make recommendations on legislative matters relating to: the operations of the Seattle Department of Transportation; transportation issues and projects affecting the City of Seattle including transit service, policies, and planning; pedestrian and bicycle programs and planning; transportation system maintenance and repair; traffic control; use of the City right-of-way including permits and vacations; parking policies; neighborhood transportation planning; and freight mobility planning; coordination of transportation issues and representation of the City's interests on transportation with the federal government, the State of Washington, King County, Sound Transit, and the Puget Sound Regional Council; and water, drainage, wastewater, and solid waste services provided by Seattle Public Utilities (SPU), including SPU environmental services and utility rates, regional water resources, endangered species recovery plans, waterway cleanup, and green stormwater infrastructure; City information technology planning, implementation, and organization; cable telecommunications services and planning; broadband telecommunications planning and implementation; technology grants; Seattle Channel; seattle.gov; and citizen technology literacy and access; Seattle City Light, including but not limited to City Light finances, energy utility rates, resource matters, energy policy, regional matters, air pollution regulations, and alternative energy sources.