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Let's get Seattle Walking

Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board Seeks New Members

SEATTLE – The <u>Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board</u> is accepting applications for several new members to help make walking in Seattle safer and easier. The volunteer board, which was created by Seattle City Council in 1993, plays an influential role in implementing Seattle's Pedestrian Master Plan. The board advises the Mayor and City Council, participates in planning and project development, evaluates policies and makes recommendations to all city departments including the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT).

Currently we are looking for candidates to fill at least four positions. Board members are frequent users of our pedestrian network, and represent a variety of ages, levels of mobility, walks of life, and areas throughout the city. Members must be Seattle residents, and may not be City employees. The board meets the second Wednesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. at City Hall on Fifth Avenue between James and Cherry streets.

According to David Goldberg, recent chair of the Pedestrian Advisory Board, "Seattle has declared an ambition to be the 'most walkable city in America,' and is embracing a goal to make our streets among the safest in the world. The Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board can play a key role in holding ourselves accountable for these aspirations while meeting the needs of all residents, regardless of age, income or ability."

The City of Seattle is committed to promoting diversity in the City's boards and commissions. Women, young persons, seniors, persons with disabilities, sexual and gender minorities, persons of color, immigrants, and refugees are encouraged to apply. Interested Seattleites should submit a resume and cover letter explaining their interest via email by January 25, 2016 to: Howard Wu at howard.wu@seattle.gov.

For more information, call Howard Wu at (206) 684-3902, or send e-mail to the address above.

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