

Seattle Urban Forestry Commission, Position 2 - Urban Ecologist

SEATTLE – The Urban Forestry Commission is looking for a new member to fill Position #2. This position is occupied by an urban ecologist with experience in the field of restoration ecology is preferred. This appointment will finish the position's term, which would start upon Council confirmation and would be extend through March 31, 2020. This position is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council for a renewable, three-year term.

The thirteen-member UFC consists of a wildlife biologist; an urban ecologist; a representative of a local, state, or federal natural resource agency or an accredited university; a hydrologist; a certified arborist; a representative of a non-profit or non-governmental organization; a representative of the development community or a representative from a non-city utility; an economist, financial analyst, or Washington State license real estate broker; a Get Engaged young adult; an environmental justice representative; a public health representative; and a community/neighborhood representative.

The City of Seattle set the bold goal of achieving 30 percent tree canopy cover by 2037 to increase the environmental, social, and economic benefits trees bring to Seattle residents. The 2013 <u>Seattle Urban Forest Stewardship Plan</u> lays out goals and a broad range of actions to be implemented over time to preserve, maintain, and plant trees as well as restore the public forested areas remaining in the city.

The <u>Urban Forestry Commission</u> was established in 2009 by Ordinance 123052 to advise the Mayor and City Council concerning the establishment of policy and regulations governing the protection, management, and conservation of trees and vegetation in the City of Seattle. Commission meetings are held twice a month on the first and second Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Commission members generally must commit approximately 10 hours per month to Commission business and serve without compensation.

Applications are due August 30, 2019.

The City of Seattle is committed to promoting diversity in the city's boards and commissions. Women, persons with disabilities, sexual and gender minorities, young persons, senior citizens, persons of color, and immigrants are encouraged to apply. To be considered, please send a letter of interest and resume to Sandra Pinto de Bader (Sandra.Pinto de Bader@seattle.gov). To send a paper submittal, address it to: Sandra Pinto de Bader, Urban Forestry Commission Liaison, Urban Forestry Commission, Office of Sustainability and Environment, City of Seattle, 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 6011B, PO Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124-4729. For more information, please contact at 206-684-3194 or via email at Sandra.Pinto de Bader@seattle.gov