Seattle Urban Forestry Commission

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Councilmember Sally Bagshaw Chair, Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee Seattle City Hall 600 4th Avenue Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Councilmember Bagshaw,

We heard the news that your Committee will be overseeing all urban forestry matters. We look forward to working with you.

The Urban Forestry Commission was established 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.

The recently adopted Urban Forest Stewardship Plan speaks to the many benefits that Seattle's urban forest provides to our economy, environment, and human well-being. It is the Commission's intent that future generations continue to enjoy these benefits.

The Commission would like to invite you to attend one of our meetings to discuss your agenda for Seattle's urban forest and how we can be of assistance on an ongoing basis.

Sincerely,

Peg Staeheli, Chair

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Cc: Councilmember Kshama Sawant, Councilmember Bruce Harrell, Councilmember Tom Rasmussen.