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Rachel Ramseur



Dear Members of the Seattle City Council,

I am writing to express my interest in the Seattle City Council position for District 2. With a deep commitment of over 30 years in public service / law enforcement and a passion for community development, I look forward to contributing to the vibrant and diverse community of District 2 and the city of Seattle as a whole.

Two of the challenges that I'm excited to have a positive impact on are the need for more affordable housing and finding innovative ways to help our small businesses, the heartbeats of our city, to keep their doors open.

With over 20 years as a realtor and small landlord, I've empowered renters with financial literacy, helped them to become homeowners and educated them about House Bill 1110. These housing options can provide the workforce behind our small businesses the opportunity to work where they live. The lack of affordable housing is but one factor affecting our small businesses, and, with the help of our community, I look forward to exploring more creative ways that we might ease the burden that many of those businesses are facing.

As a queer black woman hailing from Chicago, a now long-time resident of Seattle's south end, and a retired police corporal, I have a strong understanding of the feelings of mistrust for law enforcement as well as the unique experience of holding my ex-police colleagues accountable for biased based policing. I look forward to using these experiences as we work towards better community / SPD relations while also working together on pathways to reduce crime in our city.

One of my primary goals is to ensure that all voices in our community are heard and represented. I am committed to fostering an inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and respected.

I am excited to serve the citizens of Seattle. Thank you for considering my application.



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EDUCATION

1984-1988

**WESTERN ILLINOIS
UNIVERSITY**

- Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement Administration with minor in Sociology

SKILLS

- Project Management
- Community Engagement
- Teamwork
- Problem Solving
- Leadership
- Effective Communication
- Negotiation
- Time Management

OBJECTIVE

To serve as the Seattle City Council member for District 2 while promoting equity, sustainability, and inclusive growth. To also address the unique challenges and opportunities in one of Seattle's most diverse districts through hard work and collaboration with fellow City Council Members, other branches of local government, and various community leaders and organizations.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Landmark Group/Executive /Pellego Real Estate 2006 - PRESENT
Real Estate Agent/Broker

- Develop and maintain positive relationships with current and past clients by staying up-to-date on their real estate and life goals.
- Execute legal contracts, confidential documents, and disclosures.
- Maintain current knowledge of real estate laws and procedures.
- Helped scores of first-time homebuyers qualify for and purchase their first homes.

Real Estate Investor 2006 - PRESENT
Small Landlord

- Acquire and manage a diverse portfolio of residential properties.
- Negotiate and execute purchase agreements, leases, and contracts, ensuring favorable terms for all parties involved.
- Assist several tenants with qualifying for and purchasing their first homes.
- Maintain a profitable portfolio while offering affordable below-market-priced rental housing.
- Increase housing density in Seattle by building DADUs and townhouses on single family lots.

Flying Lion Brewing 2020 - 2022
Bartender

- Provided exceptional service to a high volume of customers daily.
- Networked to build a client base and promote products.
- Communicated effectively with clientele to maintain satisfaction and loyalty.
- Contributed innovative ideas and solutions to enhance team performance and outcomes.



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CONTACT



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REFERENCES

Erik Norwood
Renew Physical Therapy - Owner

[REDACTED]

Mark Marsh
Edmonds Police Sergeant - Retired

[REDACTED]

Jeffrey Taylor
State Farm Insurance - Owner

[REDACTED]

Edmonds Police Department

1996 - 2018

Police Officer / Corporal

- Promoted to Corporal.
- Supervised a detail of five (5) Police Officers.
- Located and apprehended subjects involved in criminal activity.
- Demonstrated excellent writing and documentation skills that have aided in the successful prosecution of criminal cases.
- Initiated Community Oriented Policing (COP) Pedestrian Safety Outreach Project.
- Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) Instructor.
- Lead Detective of major crime scenes and their investigations.
- Initiated and managed the EPD's first organized recruiting efforts.
- Member of the Department's 2002 Five-Year Plan Committee.
- Member of the Department's Review Board.
- Field Training Officer (FTO).

Eugene Police Department

1989 - 1996

Police Officer

- Located and apprehended subjects involved in criminal activity.
- Interpreted and enforced federal, state, and local laws.
- Developed and served as the Director of the Police Activities League (PAL), a 'Kids & Cops' 501(c)(3) program.
- Member of the Community Response Team specializing in undercover narcotics/prostitution operations while also meeting with the community to discuss concerns and safety strategies.
- Department representative at neighborhood meetings where I addressed police-related questions and issues.
- Member of the Gang Task Force responsible for identifying, documenting, and tracking gang members' activities.
- Supervised one civilian FTE along with several off-duty police officers and volunteers while facilitating Police Activity League program activities.
- Recruited and organized a diverse working board for PAL that was comprised of business leaders from the community.
- Developed and managed Youth Under The Bridge - a program comprised of high school students tasked with developing community solutions for neighborhood problems.
- Chair of the City of Eugene's Cultural Diversity Committee.
- Lead recruiter for potential police officer candidates.



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1. Do you, or any member of your family, receive compensation from any person or entity that engaged in any transactions or activities with Seattle City government in the past five years?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please complete item 1 on page 2.
2. Do you, or any member of your family, have a direct financial interest in any person or entity that engaged in any transactions or activities with Seattle City government in the past five years?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please complete item 2 on page 2.
3. Have you, or any member of your family, served in the past five years as an officer, director, trustee, or employee of an entity that engaged in any transactions or activities with Seattle City government?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please complete item 3 on page 2.
4. After referencing SMC 4.16.070, do you have any other relationships, employment history or financial interests that you feel could be an issue with your service on the Council under the Ethics Code?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please complete item 4 on page 3.

Street Address: [REDACTED]
Zip Code: [REDACTED]
Resident at this address since: March 2011

Note: If you are appointed to the City Council, you will be required to complete a "Personal Financial Affairs Statement" on a form provided by the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission (SEEC). You can see SEEC Form F1 by clicking [HERE](#).