



Seattle
Disability Commission

Seattle Disability Commission Meeting Agenda

August 20, 2026 - 4:00-6:00pm

Meeting Location: hosted in person and online.

In person: Seattle City Hall on 600 4th Avenue, Seattle WA 98104 in Room 370. For disability parking access and other accessibility information, visit [City Hall Visitor Information page](#).

[Join Webex](#)

Passcode: 2026

Call in: 206-207-1700

Commissioners: *Quorum is 9*

- Co-chairs: JJ Jensen, Bianca Gallegos & Scot Nelson
- Members: Samiya Nasim, Shelby Dey, Charlie Nguyen, Sawyer Stearns, Zachary Dar, Linda Finkle, Julia Thompson, Naomi Snow, Marc Cote, Balvina Cortez, Dan Ramier, Rashaad O'Neal, Adekunbi Ajiboye
- Nominated member: Jackie Yust, Jessi Benveniste

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Agenda

Call to Order (4:05-4:15) (Scot)

Stanford Medicine Alliance for Disability Inclusion and Equity (SMADIE): (XXX)

“We believe in a world where disability is celebrated as an integral part of human diversity, inclusivity, and equity.”

Interaction Agreements (JJ)

Universal Design (Elizabeth)

CART, 16 size font, describe appearance if you choose to have your camera on, state your name before you speak, etc.

Roll call of Commissioners (Bianca)

- One Word Check-in
- Introduce OCR Staff

Public Comment (4:15-4:20) (Elizabeth)

Approval of Minutes (4:20-4:25) (Scot)

- July 16th minutes
- Discussion & Vote

Process Example for vote: Discussion, edits, motion (“I motion to approve July minutes.”) Second. Follow by unanimous consent.

Guest: King County Developmental Disability Board (4:25 – 4:40)

- Presentation
- Q&A

End of Year Retreat Planning (4:40-5:05) (JJ)

- Proposed date: Nov 19 from 4-8pm
 - In person/Hybrid/Virtual
 - Commission count to assure best attendance
 - Food options & expense considerations
- Brainstorm retreat ideas for topics
- Last year: Defining the Commission (building the ship)
- This year: Defining the Commissioner (assembling the ship crew, yarr mateys)

Break (5:05- 5:10)

Co-chair Updates: (5:10 – 5:20) (Co-chairs)

- 5-Chair Quarterly Meeting
- RSJ Summit Recap (Scot)
- Sounders FC: Under the Lights Invite – Aug 22 (Bianca)
- Surveys: (Scot)
 - SDOT
 - Aging & Disability Services

Committee Report Out (5:20-5:35) (Co-chairs)

(Committee updates should be kept to 5 min per Committee)

- Advocacy & Representation (Sawyer)
 - CP Hollingsworth meeting
- Security & Access (Charlie)
 - Charlie's Get Engage end of term
 - Adaptive Kayak launch (Linda)
- Internal Growth & Development (Naomi)
 - Bylaws
 - Citywide Accessibility (Rashaad + Scot)

Secure & Access Chair Nomination & Vote (5:35-5:45) (Scot)

- Vote on interim chair (now-end of year)
 - Open floor to nominations & remarks by candidates
 - Roll call Vote

Office for Civil Rights Updates (5:45-5:50) (Janet)

- Get Engage member 2026-2027

Announcements & Upcoming Events (5:50-5:58) (JJ)

- August 22: Sounders FC Invite
- Sept 26: 2nd Annual Commission Roundtable; 10-2p
 - Washington Hall – 153 14th Ave
- Farewell & thank you to Charlie!

Closing Comments & Adjournment (5:58-6:00) (Bianca)

- Next Meeting on Sept 17th from 4-6pm