

SEATTLE CENTRAL COLLEGE CAC

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DON ANDERSON

Mr. Anderson attended the University of Washington in Seattle, where he completed a bachelor's degree in civil engineering, and a later master's degree in business administration. As a licensed engineer and an accredited project management professional, he has over thirty years combined experience working in engineering consulting companies and for public agencies, managing public works projects and programs through multiple phases. Previous volunteer work includes serving on design review boards, and staffing Lambert House, a Seattle GLBTQ resource agency. A longtime resident of Capitol Hill for over 25 years, he enjoys tennis, cooking, gardening and has been a community user and supporter of Seattle Central College for many years.

ADAM BEHRMAN

Adam Behrman is a real estate developer who focuses on market-rate, affordable and student housing across the Pacific Northwest. In addition to Adam's experience in the region, he brings previous development experience from Chicago and San Francisco as well as his family's generational experience in public transit, urban planning and development to the committee. Prior to joining the real estate industry, Adam was an engineer in the oil & gas business.

Adam holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin. Adam is an active member of the Urban Land Institute and a resident of Capitol Hill.

JACOBI BOURDREAUX

Jacobi Boudreaux is an aspiring urban planner and long-term native of Washington who is deeply interested in the positive development of the Seattle metropolitan area. Jacobi recently graduated from the University of Washington with a BA in Geography and has previously participated in Sound Transit stakeholder meetings regarding the design of the Kent - Des Moines light rail station.

MCCAELA DAFFERN

McCaela is an urban planner whose work focuses on land use, affordable housing, and community development. She works for King County helping to advance policies to ensure that everyone in the region has an affordable place to live. She previously worked for Capitol Hill Housing where her work included staffing the Capitol Hill EcoDistrict, a community-driven effort to promote equity, environmental resilience, and cultural space in the neighborhood. A long-time renter in Capitol Hill, she recently purchased a place on the Hill and looks forward to continuing to ensure the neighborhood remains a vibrant and welcoming place for all for years to come.

MICHAEL GILBRIDE

Michael Gilbride is a member of Capitol Hill Urban Cohousing; a small cohousing community located a block from Cal Anderson Park. He splits his work time between a small architecture firm and the UW Integrated Design Lab, both located in the Bullitt Center on 15th and Madison. He is the father of 4 children that attend elementary school, high school, and college.

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TORI HALLIGAN

Tori Halligan is an experienced landscape designer with a demonstrated history of working in the architecture and planning industry. Her career has taken her to Shanghai, Los Angeles and back home again to Seattle. Currently a designer at a local landscape architecture and site planning firm, she works on projects that include Transit Oriented Development (TOD), campus design, mixed-use and multi-family housing, parks and trail systems. In addition to living on Capitol Hill for over a decade, she is actively involved in the community having participated as a team leader and design professional volunteer for the CHTC (Capitol Hill triangle Collab) LID I-5 collaborative. In her free time she enjoys taking walks in her Rainier Beach Neighborhood and bike touring.

CATHY HILLENBRAND

Cathy is a 50-year resident of Capitol Hill. She has had several businesses on the Hill, including the Comet Tavern and The Real Comet Press. Building on more than a decade of community engagement with Sound Transit, Cathy co-founded and is past chair of the Capitol Hill Champion Steering Committee, formed to implement our community's vision for the redevelopment above the Capitol Hill Light Rail station. The station TOD is poised to open, this spring and summer of 2020, and other elements of that community vision are playing out in a radius around the station.

She has served on the Capitol Hill Housing PDA board for 10 years, including as President, and serves on the Capitol Hill EcoDistrict Steering Committee. Her adult sons were born, raised, and educated on Capitol Hill, and in the late 80's she and her son attended SCC's mother-baby classes – a now-vanished boon to many new parents. Over the decades she has been involved in many cultural and civic efforts in Seattle, including serving as a Seattle Arts Commissioner and volunteer engagement with many organizations such as Reflex Magazine, the Women Artist's Group, and/or, Seattle Academy, Washington Women's Foundation, Pike-Pine Urban Neighborhood Council (PPUNC). Her guiding lenses are the pursuit of personal clarity and balance, anti-racism and social justice, and the health of the Salish Sea and all living entities within its watershed.

JACQUELINE KIM (ALTERNATE)

Ms. Kim is a licensed landscape architect who has worked on a diverse range of projects including parks, campuses, hospitals and zoos. Jacqueline advocates for meaningful outdoor spaces that are universally accessible, engaging and appropriate to the surrounding community and neighborhood character. She believes in the therapeutic and educational benefits of thoughtfully designed learning environments and is committed to working with her neighborhood, the college and government agencies in the future development of the campus. Jacqueline lives in Capitol Hill with her partner and step-bunny and enjoys attempting to grow seeds from grocery store produce.

ERICA LOYND

Erica Loynd, architect with DLR Group, leads the regional practice of justice and civic facilities, including facilities for all government entities, in particular corrections and detention centers, courts, and public safety buildings. Her design approach centers on conversation with the owner and client to fully understand goals, needs, and the expectations of stakeholders. She understands this is especially important in public projects that frequently incur close scrutiny from community members who demand sound decision-making in how public funds are invested. Erica moved to Capitol Hill in 2007 across from the Seattle Central Community College before becoming a neighboring homeowner.

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Erica is particularly passionate about sustainability, restorative justice, and the impact of the built environment on human wellness. She focuses on unifying all team members to explore design options that take advantage of passive opportunities in building orientation, envelope design, daylighting, natural ventilation, and material choices—strategies that are the essence of sustainability, and significantly reduce reliance on mechanical and electrical systems.

JAMIE MERRIMAN-COHEN

Ms. Merriman-Cohen is a second-year graduate student in the University of Washington's Master of Urban Planning program, specializing in Historic Preservation. She worked for the City of Seattle Department of Planning and Development (now SDCI) Applicant Services Center Land Use and Construction Permit Specialist team for thirteen years and spent two years with Seattle Department of Transportation as a Strategic Advisor on an interdepartmental permit process improvement team. Ms. Merriman-Cohen has held leadership positions on several volunteer boards, most recently serving as the Advisory Board Chair for the University of Washington Stroum Center for Jewish Studies. Fun fact – Ms. Merriman-Cohen is a proud graduate of the Seattle Central Specialty Desserts and Breads program, and she is honored to have the opportunity to contribute to Seattle Central College's Master Planning process.

BRITTNEY MORASKI

Brittney Moraski, a carless renter who commutes by Link Light Rail, has lived in Capitol Hill since 2016. She is a strategy manager at Starbucks, where she focuses on the business performance, real estate portfolio, and partner (employee) and customer experience in urban U.S. markets. Brittney has an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and an A.B. in history & literature from Harvard University. Taking classes at Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba, Michigan as a dual-enrolled high school student was a critical preparatory experience in Brittney's education. She is an active member of The Mountaineers and Hugo House.

MICHAEL SIEWERATH

Michael Seiwerath is the VP of Advancement and External Affairs at Capitol Hill Housing (CHH), a Seattle-based affordable housing provider. CHH serves more than 2,000 residents in 47 properties throughout the city, with a number of family sized apartments. As the neighborhood Community Development Corporation, CHH is deeply involved with community building and sustainability efforts, including the Capitol Hill EcoDistrict and the Capitol Hill Arts District. Michael has worked on Capitol Hill for more than 20 years and back in the early 2000's his daughter attended the SCC daycare.

EMILY THURSTON

Ms. Thurston has held communications and fundraising roles at Seattle Central College over the past six years. She now serves as the Associate Director of Community Relations, where she is building infrastructure for alumni and retiree networks, and opportunities for community stakeholders to connect with the college. Though she now carpools to work from Redmond, she is a previous resident of Capitol Hill and has seen the neighborhood transformed since moving to the region from Colorado in 2010. She looks forward to equity-focused conversations that keep the college relevant to the needs of the community for decades to come.