

City Council Statement on New Councilmember Stanley Tombs

SeaTac, WA (January 16, 2019) – "Stanley Tombs was the council candidate with the highest qualifications to tackle many of the major issues facing the City during the next nine months. In 2019, the City Council will be considering a number of major initiatives including but not limited to:

- The City Comprehensive Plan Update
- An update to the City Shorelines Master Program
- The City Center Plan Update
- Federally mandated regulations concerning small wireless facilities
- The Airport's Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP)
- North SeaTac Park long-term community impacts

Due to his experience as a member of the City of SeaTac Planning Commission and professional history of land use issues, Stanley Tombs is considered the most qualified candidate to jump in and handle the big initiatives the City is facing in 2019."

- SeaTac City Council

Additional Information

By State law, the SeaTac City Council has 90 days to seat a replacement Councilmember after the date of vacancy. The death of former Councilmember Amina Ahmed on December 8, 2018, started the 90-day clock.

At the January 8, 2019, Regular Council Meeting, the Council openly discussed the process of filling the vacant seat. At the public meeting, the Council decided to utilize the list of 15 previous candidates who applied for the vacant position created last fall, after the former mayor stepped down. That list was shortened to 10 after several candidates dropped out during the process.

The Council held a publically posted Special Council Meeting on Monday, January 14, 2019, where they held an Executive Session to discuss the qualifications of the 10 candidates. After the Executive Session, they returned to the Council Chambers, publically nominated and unanimously voted for candidate Stanley Tombs for the vacant council position.

Mr. Tombs will be sworn-in and seated for the position on January 22, 2019.

About the City of SeaTac:

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 29,130*. The City is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, (approximately three-square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the Port of Seattle.

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