

CANDIDATE NAME: Zekaryas Gebrekidan

Pike Place Market Constituency 2024 Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate the position for which you are running:

Note: ALL positions require a familiarization with or willingness to learn Robert's Rules of Order, the PDA Charter, and the Constituency Bylaws.

Chair * **

Duties: The Chair chairs all meetings of the Constituency.

Time commitment: The term length is two (2) years. Must attend a minimum of eight (8) General Assembly or Special Meeting(s) per year and eight (8) Executive Committee Meetings per year. May serve on a subcommittee. Meet the PDA Executive Director once a month.

Vice-Chair * **

Duties: The Vice-Chair chairs meetings of the Constituency in the absence of or at the request of the Chair and serves as Election Officer in odd-numbered years.

Time commitment: The term length is two (2) years. Must attend a minimum of eight (8) General Assembly or Special Meeting(s) per year and eight (8) Executive Committee Meetings per year. May serve on a subcommittee.

Officer-at-Large

Duties: Officers-at-Large represent the overall voice of the Constituency, are familiar with the Market, and stay informed of PDA Council and Committee meetings by either attending the meetings or reading the minutes.

Time commitment: The term length is two (2) years. Must attend a minimum of eight (8) General Assembly or Special Meeting(s) per year and eight (8) Executive Committee Meetings per year. May serve on a subcommittee.

PDA Council Representative**

Duties: PDA Council Representatives represent the needs of Market Constituents as members of the PDA Council and its Committees.

Time commitment: The term length is four (4) years. Must attend a minimum of six (6) General Assembly or Special Meeting(s) per year and six (6) Executive Committee Meetings per year. May serve on a subcommittee.

*No employee, officer, or Council member of the PDA, or member of the Pike Place Market Historical Commission, shall be eligible to serve as Chair or Vice Chair.

**Chair, Vice Chair and PDA Council Representative candidates are required to have been a member of the Constituency for the entire preceding year to be eligible to stand for election to the position.

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Candidate Questionnaire

The following questionnaire is intended to help voters learn a little about our candidates: their interest in holding office, background, skills, experience, and any vision for the future of the Market. The Constituency values diversity of opinion.

All timely responses will be circulated directly to Constituency members and may also appear on our website and via other news media that is available to the public.

1. What is your connection to the Market? Why are you a member of the Constituency?

I have been a member of the Pike Place Market Community for nearly 26 years currently serving as a union shop steward for the PDA parking department a role I have held for over 15 years, and as a parking attendant technical in this role, I proactively resolve technical problems for the parking department provide customer service.

2. Have you attended Constituency meetings and if so, how many in the past year?

I did attend constituency meetings sometimes, if I did miss the meeting I followed up with members' updated information.

3. In your view, what are the biggest issues facing the Market now and in the near future? Do you champion any special issue?

4. What can we do to increase public participation in Market advocacy, especially by those who live and work in the Market?

Offer incentives, can encourage people to participate, especially when recruiting volunteers online.

The following two questions are only for those running for PDA Council representative. Others need not respond.

5. How many PDA Council meetings have you attended in the last 12 months?