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Campaign Name: [Alexis for Seattle](#)

Campaign website: alexisforseattle.com

City Position: 8

Campaign Telephone Number: [206-705-9305](tel:206-705-9305)

With experience supporting human services and public health policies, directing emergency homelessness response plans, and shaping fiscal policy and budgeting at the University of Washington, I'll bring needed expertise to City Council to expand the affordable housing we must have, the safe communities we all deserve, action to help people in crisis, and community investments that improve equity and opportunity.

My commitment to service is rooted in personal experience shared by too many in Seattle today. I was born to struggling teenage parents, and raised by my grandparents. My family dealt with traumatic cycles of incarceration, substance use, and homelessness. I am thankful to have had support in my community that gave me a pathway to success— and I want to ensure all young people in Seattle have those same opportunities.

I am ready to bring my informed perspectives and passion for results to the City Council and be a voice for all the people of Seattle. We face urgent challenges that require new ideas, energy, and leadership. With your vouchers and votes I will build on my record of advocacy and action for a Seattle that is affordable, welcoming, and leading the way to a better future.

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Candidate Name: [Saunatina Annaca Sanchez](#)

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City Position: 8

Campaign Telephone Number: [803-272-8628](tel:803-272-8628)

I was raised in Holly Park and Yesler Terrace by my hardworking dad, my disabled mother, and a community of neighbors while I helped raise my younger siblings. My passion for infrastructure and urban planning was sparked by experiences living in public housing and using King County Metro.

I'm endorsed by Transit Riders Union, where I co-founded the Bus and Transit Services Workgroup. I've collaborated with diverse groups to expand bike and transit infrastructure alongside Cascade Bicycle Club, advocated for an Office of Renter Standards through Seattle Renter Organizing Council, and stood for democracy on the board of League of Women Voters-SKC.

When considering legislation, I ask: "What's the goal? Who benefits? Who's harmed?"

I support I-137, updating zoning laws to create more homes for families, and partnering with housing providers to enact right-to-shelter agreements.

We'll confront the \$200 million budget deficit without sacrificing Seattleite welfare through progressive revenue streams like Jumpstart and enacting new revenue like a Capital Gains tax.

I'll focus on public services, like 24/7/365 restrooms in parks, so everyone can access the city's culture safely.

On City Council, I'll bring collaborative, detail-oriented thinking to bridge departments and create an equitable Seattle for all.

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Candidate Name: [Tanya Woo](#)

Campaign Name: [Friends of Tanya Woo](#)

Campaign website: tanyawooforseattle.com

City Position: 8

Campaign Telephone Number: [206-657-6679](tel:206-657-6679)

Hello! I'm Tanya Woo, honored to serve as your appointed Seattle City Councilmember.

Seattle is my lifelong home. My family immigrated here in 1887, and I was raised on Beacon Hill. Today, I reside in Rainier Beach, deeply involved in the Chinatown/International District community. Wherever my work has taken me across Seattle, one passion has remained the same: lifting the voices of the vulnerable.

Unfortunately, for years, Seattle's leadership has neglected the most vulnerable. Crime disproportionately affects our lowest-income areas, and the unchecked fentanyl epidemic claims lives among our unhoused neighbors. As your Councilmember, I'll prioritize funding for proven solutions and ensure our first responders, including health teams and law enforcement, are fully staffed.

Complex issues demand hands-on solutions. From leading Community Watch patrols to organizing against racial discrimination, building workforce housing, and even administering Narcan on the streets, I've taken direct action. You deserve compassionate, pragmatic, hard-working leadership that understands our most vulnerable communities. Every day, I strive to bring hands-on solutions to the City Council and fulfill that commitment to our constituents.

I'm Tanya Woo, and I humbly ask for your vote – and your vouchers.

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Candidate Name: [Tariq Yusuf](#)

Campaign Name: [Tariq for Council](#)

Campaign website: tariqforcouncil.org

City Position: [8](#)

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My story is a Seattle story. Born to an Indonesian father and American mother; I've seen the transformation and growth of the region over the past two decades. My parents relied heavily on the critical state and city social programs like Seattle Housing Authority. They helped us stave off homelessness and build successful lives. I was able to complete my education at the University of Washington, lead a successful career in the tech industry, and begin my own family. Despite their struggle, my parents raised me with the values of empathy, compassion, and justice; values I hope to bring to city council.

My American dream was possible; but that journey is becoming increasingly difficult for today's families. The social services that made my story attainable are no longer accessible. I want to change that.

City government plays an important role in our lives; as a city council member, I plan to advocate for people like my parents, who experienced being one paycheck away from homelessness. I plan to give back to this city by ruthlessly advocating for equality, justice, and compassion, helping the most vulnerable in society, and committing to help everyone so we can build a united community.

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