



November 12, 2021

Councilmember-Elect Sara Nelson
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Dear Councilmember-Elect Nelson:

Congratulations on your electoral victory and the opportunity to serve on the City Council, Position 9. We applaud your campaign, the election results, and most importantly, your stated approaches to addressing key issues in the city. The Magnolia Chamber of Commerce agrees with your campaign goals to prioritize economic development and support for Seattle's struggling small businesses in Seattle's downtown core and neighborhood business districts like Magnolia. We also strongly support your goals to refocus policy to support essential city services, especially funding and supporting the police here in the West Precinct. We also wholeheartedly endorse building back trust and faith in city leadership and support your efforts to ensure the city council listens and responds to all residents and community groups.

We look forward to building a strong partnership with your office. We have been working closely with many city departments and we look forward to continuing building relationships with the Departments of Neighborhoods and Economic Development among others. We have been busy over the last several years in supporting our vibrant and resilient business districts in our neighborhood. This includes implementing major streetscape improvements in Magnolia Village and supporting the Magnolia portion of the Ballard-Interbay Manufacturing & Industrial District that runs from Pier 91 to Fisherman's Terminal. We are very excited to support ongoing development of this vitally important light manufacturing district and the Port's plans for smart, clean growth in support of the blue maritime industry and related economic sectors.

We look forward to hosting you in Magnolia in the months ahead. We also look forward to continuing to collaborate and partner with you and your office to advance the growth and vitality of Magnolia and the city. Thank you for your public service and your amazing support of Seattle neighborhoods – as you know well, they are the lifeblood and heartbeat of our city.

Sincerely,

Jason Thibeaux, Executive Director

Daniela Eng, President