

John Chelminiak

John Chelminiak, first elected to the Bellevue City Council in 2004, is a champion for human services. The deputy mayor represents the council on the Bellevue Convention Center Authority Board and the coordinating board of All Home (formerly King County's Committee to End Homelessness).

John is the senior manager for public sector services at Waste Management, the nation's largest environmental solutions provider. He is the only council member to wrestle a bear, surviving a mauling near his vacation cabin at Lake Wenatchee in 2010.

Prior to joining the council, John served on the Planning Commission. He has served on the board of Seattle's O'Dea High School since 1999. He was also a member of the Coordinating Committee for Regional Water Supply Planning.

John holds a bachelor's degree in communications from Washington State University. The Alliance of Eastside Agencies named him Elected Official of the Year in 2011.

John and his wife Lynn live in the Vuecrest neighborhood with daughter Megan, who attends Bellevue High School. His stepdaughter, Morgan, is a graduate of the University of Washington.

Council Assignments and Appointments

- U.S. Conference of Mayors (alternate)
- All Home Coordinating Board (formerly Committee to End Homelessness)
- Puget Sound Regional Council - Executive Board (alternate)
- Bellevue Convention Center Authority Board
- Fire Pension Board
- Issaquah School District

Past Council Assignments and Appointments

- Washington State Building Codes Council
- Eastside Human Services Forum
- King County EMS Advisory Task Force
- Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board
- Trade Development Alliance Board
- Bellevue Electrical Reliability Study Stakeholders
- Human Services Commission Liaison
- Puget Sound Regional Council Economic Development District Policy Board
- Bellevue Economic Partnership
- Eastside Transportation Partnership (alternate)
- Probation Advisory Board
- Disability Board
- Parks and Community Services Board Liaison

- Bellevue Sister Cities Association Liaison
- Regional Issues Committee

Community Service

- Planning Commission, 2002 - 2003
- O'Dea High School Board of Directors, 1999 - Present
- Coordinating Committee, Regional Water Supply Planning
- Vuecrest Community Association Board

Employment

- Waste Management: Public Sector Solutions for Washington and Idaho, 2013 - present
- John Chelminiak and Associates, 2007 - present
- Snohomish County Council, Chief of Staff, 2002-2007
- Metropolitan King County Council
 - Chief of Staff, 1999 - 2002
 - Staff member, 1994 - 1999
- King County Executive's Office: Press Secretary, 1988-1994
- KIRO News radio 710: Reporter, Editor, Manager, 1977-1988

Education

- University of Colorado, Rocky Mountain Leadership Program
- Washington State University, Bachelor of Arts, Communications