

# **HIGHLINE FORUM**

**Host – Port of Seattle**

**Theme: 2026 FIFA Preparations and Workforce Development Updates**

**July 23, 2025, Wednesday - 2:30pm-4:30 pm**

**Hybrid: Highline College, Building 8, and via MS TEAMS**

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<b>2:30pm</b>	<b>Convene Meeting/Introductions</b>	<i>Forum Co-Chair Councilmember Armen Papyan</i>
<b>2:35pm</b>	<b>Public Comments</b> <b>PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR JULY 23rd</b> The Highline Forum meeting will be held in person and virtually. Those wishing to provide public comment will have the opportunity to: <b>1) Deliver public comment via email:</b> All written comments received by email to <a href="mailto:Kaplan.D@portseattle.org">Kaplan.D@portseattle.org</a> will be distributed to Forum members. <b>2) Deliver public comment via Microsoft Teams:</b> To take advantage of this option, please email <a href="mailto:Kaplan.D@portseattle.org">Kaplan.D@portseattle.org</a> with your name and the topic you wish to speak to by 9:00 a.m. PT on Wednesday, July 23 <sup>rd</sup> . You will then be provided with a link to join the Teams meeting. <b>3) Deliver public comment in person by signing up to speak on your arrival to the physical meeting location:</b> To take advantage of this option, please sign-up on the public comment sheet available at the entrance to the meeting room.	<i>Audience</i>
<b>2:50pm</b>	<b>Host Update: Highline College</b>	<i>Josh Gerstman, VP Inst. Adv. Highline College</i>
<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>2026 FIFA World Cup – One Year Out</b>	<i>Samantha Le, CEO &amp; President Seattle Soutside Chamber Mark Everton, CEO &amp; President Cydney Marks-Nicholes, Sports Business Development Mgr Explore Seattle Southside</i>
<b>3:30pm</b>	<b>Workforce Development in Highline Area</b>	<i>Dr. Tanya Powers, Assoc. Dean, BAS and Workforce Pathways Highline College Gaye Bungart, Dir. Special Educ Highline School District Anna Pavlik, WFD Director Port of Seattle</i>
<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>StART Update</b>	<i>Arif Ghouse, AV Managing Dir. Port of Seattle</i>

<b>4:10pm</b>	<b>Round the Table Updates</b>	<i>All</i>
<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Adjourn</b> <b>Next Meeting: September 24, 2025</b>	<i>Highline Forum Co-Chairs</i>

# Highline Forum

## 2025 Meeting Dates

- ✓ Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **Port of Seattle**
- ✓ Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **City of Federal Way, Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl**
- ✓ Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **City of Burien, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room**
- Wednesday, July 23, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **Highline College, Building 8**
- Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **City of Des Moines, Police Services Bldg (tent.)**
- Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 2:30pm to 4:30pm  
HOST: **City of SeaTac, Council Chambers, Main Floor**