AWC Board of Directors candidate statement

Name	City elected position
Wendy Weiker	Council Member
City/Town	Check the Board position for which you are running
Mercer Island	District 7
Biographical information and candidate statement:	
Please limit your statement to 1,700 characters, which is approximately 250 words. Hand-written statements are not accepted.	

Wendy was elected to the Mercer Island City Council in 2015 and reelected in 2019. She is running for a third term this year. Her council responsibilities have included serving on the Environmental Sustainability, Eastside Transportation Partnership, Diversity & Inclusion, Parks & Recreation, and Council Effectiveness Council Committees.

In addition to being elected to the Association of Washington Cities Board of Directors she also now serves on the AWC Employee Benefits Trust Board. In King County, Wendy was elected by her peers to represent the 16 North Caucus Cities on the Sound Cities Association Board of Directors which represents 38 partner cities to collectively advocate for effective public policy within King County and at the state level. She earned her Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership from AWC in 2020.

Professionally, Wendy is the Republic Services Customer and Community Outreach Manager for Western Washington. She is responsible for building and supporting partnerships in local communities to enhance recycling and waste diversion programs in the cities and counties her company serves. Before joining the Republic Services team, Wendy worked in similar customer and community engagement roles at Puget Sound Energy, Washington Mutual, and Microsoft. Her 25-year public relations career includes supporting the customer experience, government affairs, community outreach, and corporate social responsibility functions for organizations in the private, nonprofit, and public sectors.

Wendy holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from the UW Evans School of Public Policy and completed the Leadership Eastside program in 2015.