



## 2021 PIBC Board Elections

### Candidate Information Package

Candidate Members Nominated for Election to  
the Board of Directors (2021 - 2023 Board Term)

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The following Candidate Members have been nominated for election to Board in their respective positions/categories:

#### **Candidate Members** **(1 to be elected):**

**Keltie Chamberlain**

**Marjan Navab-Tehrani**

In this package you will find information on each Candidate member as provided by the candidates themselves. PIBC members eligible to vote should refer to their voting information – sent separately by electronic mail – for detailed online voting instructions.

Members with any questions or concerns regarding balloting should please contact PIBC Executive Director Dave Crossley.

***Important Note:*** Eligible members only receive ballots and vote for contested positions and candidates in the same respective membership category to which they themselves belong. Candidate(s) automatically elected by acclamation (if any) are noted above.

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### Candidate Member Rep. Candidates

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#### Keltie Chamberlain



Keltie Chamberlain has 12 years of combined experience in the public and private sector as a planner and design consultant. She currently works with McElhanney as a planning consultant and lives in Campbell River, the traditional territory of the Laich-kwil-tach people, on Vancouver Island. She's an urban geographer and has a Master of Community planning degree from Vancouver Island University, and has a background in economic development planning, public engagement, landscape and urban design. Anyone who knows her, knows of her commitment to life-long learning and actively pursuing professional development opportunities. She enjoys the inspiration learning brings to her life and being inspired by the people she meets who bring excellence to planning.

Keltie has served her professional and personal communities in volunteer positions throughout her career, including the last two-year term as Candidate Representative member of PIBC, Chapters of PIBC, and the Mid-Island Metis Nation as the Women's Representative and as Secretary. Good governance is important to Keltie, and she would like the opportunity to continue to serve PIBC members as the Candidate Representative member in the next term.

Keltie feels familiar with the work that the Board have planned for and accomplished in the Strategic Plan, and it puts her in a position to do more good work in the coming term. She recognizes the important experience that the role has provided and wishes to continue to contribute to PIBC in even greater ways over another term if elected.

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#### Marjan Navab-Tehrani



As a queer, Iranian, immigrant-settler non-binary person, Marjan balances a multitude of intersections that have driven them to weave equity, accessibility and reconciliation into and throughout their professional life. Taking a relationship-centered approach, Marjan draws from a wide base of information to deliver solutions in the social, structural and environmental realms.

Marjan completed their Bachelors of Arts in Anthropology and Environmental Studies with a Minor in Applied Ethics from the University of Victoria, during which they worked with several First Nations on environmental and political issues. They spent the following years working as an independent research consultant for a range of governments, NPOs, and think-tanks in areas of environment, climate change, and politics. Marjan became interested in disaster and emergency management and after a short stint with the City's emergency social services, pursued a Masters of Community and Regional Planning from UBC focused on

disaster resilience. During their studies, Marjan became inspired to look further into enhancing the social resilience of communities as a means to better respond to and recover from disasters.

Recognizing a gap in their understanding of the application of equity and reconciliation within a bureaucratic institution, Marjan sought work focused in these areas at the City of Vancouver's Cultural Services office. Here, Marjan supported the novel engagement plan of Culture|Shift, Vancouver's arts and cultural plan, rooted in equity, accessibility, and reconciliation. Marjan quickly fell in love with cultural planning as a means of enhancing community resilience, identity, enrichment, and social connection and continued on to work in the Cultural Infrastructure team. Today, Marjan works to implement key infrastructure actions from Culture|Shift focused on amending existing regulations and programs, creating policy, providing continuous engagement with the arts and culture community, and ensuring representation on developing City plans.

Alongside their work, Marjan co-leads an employee Equity Resource Group for Non-binary, Gender Diverse, and Trans staff with a goal of creating a safer work environment for staff that share this intersection. Additionally, Marjan has been a part of the PIBC's Governance and Nominating Committee working towards the development of an equity policy. Wanting to carry forward their learnings at the City of Vancouver, Marjan is running for the PIBC's Board of Directors to help guide the organization towards a greater understanding of equity, intersectionality, and accessibility and to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for planners of all intersections.