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International Special Review District Board announces candidates for annual election

October 25, 2012 (SEATTLE, WA) – The 2012 International Special Review District (ISR D) Board election will be held Tuesday, November 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Bush Asia Hotel, 409 Maynard Avenue South, in the basement level conference room.

Two board positions are up for election:

- Position #3 for a District Business Person, Property Owner or Employee; and
- Position #5 for an At-Large member.

Nominations closed Tuesday, October 23. Three candidates were nominated, and candidate information is provided below for each position. Brief candidate biographies will be available at the polling place on the day of the election.

One candidate is seeking Position #3 - Business Person, Property Owner or Employee

Sue-May Eng is the Vice President of the Chong Wa Benevolent Association, an instructor for the Seattle Chinese Girls Drill Team, and Vice President of the Chinese Parents Service Organization. She was raised in the Chinatown International District and is interested in helping to improve and preserve the neighborhood.

Two candidates are seeking Position #5 – At-Large

Candace Chin has worked as a consultant for the Chinatown International District Business Improvement Area (CIDBIA) where she conducted outreach with business and property owners on waste management and recycling education. She was born and raised in Seattle and spent much of her formative years in the Chinatown International District. She is interested in continued revitalization of the neighborhood and wants to give back to the community.

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Brien Chow is a member of the Chong Wa Educational Society Board, a member of the Only in Seattle Steering Committee, a Dragon Master with the Chinese Drill Team, and serves on numerous committees within the neighborhood. He previously served on the ISRD Board from 2009-2011.

The special character of the Chinatown International District is recognized and protected by City Ordinance. In 1973, the International Special Review District Board was created to preserve, protect, and enhance the cultural, economic, and historical qualities of the District. The Board is made up of seven members - five elected by the International District community and two appointed by the Mayor. Board members' terms are for two years and members may serve up to two consecutive terms. To learn more about the election and the International Special Review District please visit <http://seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation/id.htm/>.

The current board members are Ching Chan, Bill Lee (chair), Rich Murakami, Julia Park, Marvin Rosete, Martha Rogers and Joann Ware. The terms for Mr. Lee and Ms. Park will end in November 2012.

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