

BECCA BOOK AIA, LEED ND

OBJECTIVE

Seeking a role where I can use my interdisciplinary background in policy and design to create more resilient, equitable places.

SKILLS

Licensed Architect in the State of Washington

Leadership & organizational skills proven in professional, and volunteer settings.

Integrating regulatory requirements, public concerns, and project goals into policy and design.

Performing whole building lifecycle assessments and identifying strategies to reduce embodied carbon.

Managing scheduling and fee for multiple consultants on complex interdisciplinary projects.

Communicating the benefits of long-range planning and urban investments to clients and the general public.

Developing reports, presentations and graphics that communicate project goals and analysis clearly to a wide range of audiences.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Sustainability Program Manager; City of Bellevue — 2025- Present

Project manager and sustainability lead for the Wilburton Sustainable District, a 465 acre transit oriented district pursuing LEED for Communities certification.

Provide subject matter expertise to guide Bellevue's Comprehensive Plan Climate Element certification.

Provide technical expertise on sustainable development, green building, and urban design to guide neighborhood planning efforts and land use code amendments.

Lead technical analysis and development of green building incentives.

Support program management, interdepartmental coordination, and reporting on the Sustainable Bellevue Plan implementation.

Author and present staff reports, memos, and presentations to guide decisions by department leadership, city management, and other stakeholders.

Senior Long Range Planner, Climate Resilience Coordinator; Pierce County, 2022–2025

Led the development of policies aligning with adopted County greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets and statewide climate resilience initiatives.

Managed consultants and interdepartmental teams to deliver the Comprehensive Plan periodic update ahead of statutory deadlines.

Directed the development of climate resilience initiatives, including a climate vulnerability assessment and climate resilient infrastructure design guidelines.

Managed the Landmarks and Historic Preservation Program, collaborating with Tribal governments, commissions, and elected officials to support the preservation of historic properties, artifacts, and cultural programs.

Urban Design Associate, Mithun; Seattle, WA — 2017-2022

Managed master planning, urban design, and entitlements of projects ranging from four blocks to 1300 acres.

Served on the Mithun Sustainability Committee, developing strategies to meet the firm's net zero target for the firm's portfolio by 2030.

Conducted analyses of embodied carbon and carried out whole building life cycle assessments to inform sustainable design decisions for a diverse range of projects.

Developed incentive packages for building decarbonization, form-based codes to support walkable neighborhoods, and transit-supportive development regulations.

Managed interdisciplinary teams to develop and analyze long-range plans.

Developed graphics and co-authored reports to present complex planning and urban design projects to communities, public agencies, and developers.

Architectural Intern, ONE Architecture and Urbanism; New York, NY — 2016-2017

Urban analysis, mapping and schematic design for the East Side Coastal Resilience Project, a system that shields Manhattan from floods while providing social and environmental benefits.

Research and mapping to support the team realizing major coastal resiliency projects.

Participated in multi-disciplinary meetings on the design and implementation of major infrastructure projects.

Zoning Analyst , SHoP Architects/ Envelope; New York, NY — 2016-2017

Collaborated with planners and software engineers to develop 'Envelope' 3D urban mapping platform and zoning database.

Interpreted zoning regulations and analyzed their applicability to real world scenarios.

Exhibitions Assistant, Columbia University; New York, NY — 2013-2016

Managed 13 employees to complete exhibits to the highest standards and in time for openings.

Constructed and installed furniture and display units for the Arthur Ross Architecture Gallery.

Prepared architecture related exhibits, including shows featured in the New York Times and displayed internationally.

Project Administrator, Brookwood Group; San Francisco, CA — 2011 – 2012

Provided graphic and organizational skills so projects ran smoothly and elegantly.

Prepared RFPs, including a successful bid for the 2 million sf salesforce.com campus.

Analyzed building codes for design, construction & due diligence projects.

EDUCATION

Master of Architecture and M.S. Urban Planning; Columbia University

New York, NY — 2013 – 2017

Bachelor of Arts in Architecture; U.C. Berkley

Berkeley, CA — 2007 – 2010

LEADERSHIP

Seattle Social Housing Developer. Board of Directors, Real Estate Committee Chair (2025 to present)

American Institute of Architects (AIA) Seattle Board of Directors (2022 to 2025)

Urban Land Institute (ULI) Northwest Center for Leadership Institute, 2022 Cohort

AIA Seattle Public Policy Board (2020 to present)

AIA Committee On Homelessness (2017 - 2020)

Mithun Sustainability Committee (2020- 2022)