**Pike Place Public Market Constituency**

**2022 Candidate Questionnaire**

Name: Robert Braun

Position(s) of Interest: PDA Representative, Vice Chair, Officer-at-Large

**1.**      **What is your connection to the Market? Why are you a member of the Constituency?**

I have been involved in the reconstruction and financing of the Market since 1976. I have attended every Sunset Supper from the 1st one. I live by the Market and it is an important part of Seattle for me.

**2.**      **How many Constituency Meetings have you attended in the last 12 months?**

3 that I recall.

**3.**      **In your view, what are the biggest issues facing the Market now and in the near future? Do you champion any special issue?**

I believe the independence of the Market Governance is being eroded by City Administration without explanation or authority. The original independence of the Market is important to its survival as an institution.

**4.**      **One issue that has been getting a lot of attention of late is the move to ban cars on Pike Place. What’s your take on this hot-button issue?**

I do not believe in changing the original character of the Market. Keep cars as it has been

**5.**      **What can be done to increase public participation in Market advocacy, especially by those who live and work in the Market?**

I do not have an immediate answer to this question however it is a challenge I am willing to work on.

**6.**      **In addition to regular meetings, would you be willing to participate in Constituency subcommittees if the need arose?**

Yes as time permits

**7. How many PDA Council meetings have you attended in the last 12 months?**

2 that I recall

**8. Representing the Constituency on the PDA Council means more than voting. What skills and strategies will you bring to Council meetings to be a persuasive voice on the Council?**

I have served on many Seattle Charitable boards such as the Ballet and 5th Avenue in positions on the Finance committee and governance committees. I have also served as Foundation Trustee including origination of Trust documents and charters. I am familiar with preservation issues and the need to both protect the organizationâ€™s independence while also working with City administration.