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Denis Beaudin recently retired from Beaudin Ganze Consulting Engineers, Inc. (BGCE) on March 23, 2015, after more than 23 years of leading the mechanical and electrical engineering firm. He was also an early believer in sustainable design for building systems, and became a champion for the U.S Green Building Council’s (USGBC) LEED™ certification program. One of BGCE’s early projects, the Sundeck mountain-top restaurant owned by Aspen Skiing Company, became the 11th project in the world to receive LEED certification under the pilot program. Since then, Denis has been involved in over 50 LEED™ certified buildings including six Platinum projects among the Gold and Silver certified projects. “Aviation was the key,” says Denis, who piloted the firm’s aircraft to job sites often inaccessible by limited or non-existent commercial flights. “Our own aviation allowed us to expand further into the western U.S., and, in turn, across the country” working on predominantly hospitality and healthcare projects. Denis is a licensed Professional Engineer in 18 states.
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Kathryn Gardow brings more than twenty years of accomplishments in diverse land use, public works, infrastructure and organizational leadership initiatives. Her expertise as a civil engineer, land use planner, and regulatory expert includes notable large-scale master-planned communities in the Puget Sound region. Dedicated to preserving and keeping organic farmland productive in perpetuity, Kathryn served as Executive Director of PCC Farmland Trust. In that capacity, she grew the scope and impact of the nation’s only organic farmland trust to a million-dollar operation. Kathryn is widely known as passionate and effective in regional and Washington policy advocacy on behalf of local farming and strengthening our regional food system. She serves in diverse capacities as a strategic partner among government, business and philanthropy, including leadership on the Board of Washington Sustainable Food and Farming Network and past Director of PCC Natural Markets. Equally active in her northeast Seattle neighborhood, Kathryn is a Director of the Burke Gilman Place Public Development Authority. She holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Washington and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Union College.
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