

2012 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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Budget Action Title: SPU recycling work plan priorities.

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Statement of Legislative Intent:

The Council requests that Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) submit a detailed 2012 work plan for working toward Resolution 30990's goal of 60% recycling. Although progress has been made toward the City's recycling goal, detailed 2012 activities to achieve the goal are not shown in the proposed budget. And a significant new effort toward that goal – a \$205,000 every-other-week (EOW) garbage pilot project – was included in the proposed budget but recently dropped from SPU's intended 2012 work plan. The work plan requested in this Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) should:

- 1) Identify base activities and new actions that contribute to achieving the recycling goal, including an estimate of the amount of contribution (in tons and % goal achievement) for each activity and a brief explanation of the criteria used to identify the actions as priorities.
- 2) Distinguish the actions to be funded with the \$205,000 originally budgeted for the EOW garbage pilot from other actions, and show the combination of resources (SPU staff hours, consultant contracts, etc.) assigned to the actions.
- 3) Compare the actions in the 2012 work plan to those recommended in the draft Seattle Solid Waste Plan 2011 Revision, and explain any differences between the 2012 work plan and draft Solid Waste Plan-recommended actions.

Responsible Council Committee(s): Seattle Public Utilities & Neighborhoods

Date Due to Council: January 15, 2012