

2013 - 2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Impose a proviso on \$100,000 in the proposed SPU 2013-2014 budget for a strategic plan efficiency consultant

Councilmembers: Bagshaw; Conlin; Godden

Staff Analyst: Meg Moorehead

Council Bill or Resolution:

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	Yes										
	No										
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Budget Action description:

This green sheet imposes the following proviso:

“Of the appropriation in the 2013 budget for the Seattle Public Utilities’ (SPU’s) Other Operating BCL, \$100,000 is appropriated solely to pay for consulting services to identify cost efficiencies at SPU in support of a strategic plan that sets long-term rate growth policy, and may be spent for no other purpose.”

As part of its review of proposed 2013-2015 drainage and wastewater rates and 2013-2016 solid waste rates, the Libraries, Utilities and Center (LUC) Committee recommended that SPU prepare a strategic plan covering all of its lines of business as the basis of a long-term rate growth policy. The Committee also recommended that the strategic plan have input from a consultant that would identify efficiencies based on industry best practices. This proviso ensures that funds are available for the efficiency consultant.