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Budget Action Title: Proviso \$30,000 in DPD's Planning BCL for Charles Street Yard visioning.

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: Yes

Councilmembers: Budget Committee

Staff Analyst: Ketil Freeman

Council Bill or Resolution:

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	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Budget Action description:

This action would impose a proviso on \$30,000 in the Department of Planning and Development’s (DPD’s) Planning Budget Control Level (BCL) for consultant resources to facilitate a community-based visioning process for repurposing the Charles Street Yard.

The Council anticipates that the proviso would not be lifted until FAS provides the Council with a feasibility study identifying and assessing alternative sites for City uses currently located at the Charles Street Yard and a detailed public involvement plan for repurposing the Charles Street Yard.

Background:

The Charles Street Yard is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS). The City uses the site for a variety of purposes including materials storage, maintenance of city vehicles, dispatch for SDOT and Seattle Public Utility crews, and maintenance space for the First Hill streetcar.

The City has established procedures for the disposition of City property, which are set out in [Procedures for the Evaluation of the Reuse and Disposal of the City’s Real Property](#). These procedures set out a classification system for designating City property. Classifications range from Fully Utilized Municipal Property to Surplus Property. The Charles Street Yard is currently classified as a Fully Utilized Municipal Property. FAS has not determined that the Charles Street Yard is surplus to the City’s needs. Moreover, FAS has not identified suitable alternative sites for current City uses of the Charles Street Yard.

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This green sheet would adopt the following budget proviso:

“None of the money appropriated in the 2014 Budget for the Department of Planning and Development’s Planning BCL may be spent to establish a vision for repurposing the Charles Street Yard until the Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee files with the City Clerk his or her certification that the Department of Finance and Administrative Services has provided a feasibility study identifying and assessing alternative sites for City uses currently located at the Charles Street Yard and a detailed public involvement plan for repurposing the Charles Street Yard.”