

2015 - 2016 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Transfer \$30,000 in appropriation authority from City Light to CBO in 2015 and 2016 to support the City Light Review Panel

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Councilmembers: Harrell; Licata; O'Brien; Sawant

Staff Analyst: Tony Kilduff

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	SB	BH	SC	TR	NL	TB	JG	MO	KS
	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2015 Increase (Decrease)	2016 Increase (Decrease)
General Subfund		
General Subfund Revenues	\$30,000	\$30,000
General Subfund Expenditures	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	\$0

Budget Action description:

This green sheet would transfer \$30,000 from City Light to the Legislative Department in 2015 and again in 2016 to support the City Light Review Panel.

Background

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The Council established the City Light Review Panel in 2010 to assist the utility in developing a Strategic Plan and to provide an independent review of the Plan to the Mayor and Council. The Panel has nine members drawn from among rate payers. Five members are appointed by the Mayor and four by the Council and each member has a three-year revolving term.

The enabling legislation, Ordinance 123256, requires that City Light provide staffing and support for the Panel. At the time the Panel was set up the Council deemed it best for the utility to assume that responsibility as the Panel was new and its structure and organization still evolving.

The Panel is now in its fourth year and organizationally mature with well-established processes and procedures. The Council may deem it prudent for the Panel to assume more responsibility for its budget, including hiring its own moderator and choosing the location of its meetings.

Information from the utility indicates that the cost for administrative support, reimbursement of Panel members' expenses, and a moderator runs about \$30,000 per year.

The Director of the City Budget Office, in consultation with the co-chairs of the Panel and Council Staff, would be responsible for disbursing the funds in support of the Panel's work.

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Budget Action Transactions

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#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increase transfer to GF to support the City Light Review Panel				GSF	Transfer from - Utilities for Council Oversight	587400	00100	2015	\$30,000	
2	Increase spending to support the City Light Review Panel				CBO	City Budget Office	CZ000	00100	2015		\$30,000
3	Increase transfer to GF to support the City Light Review Panel				GSF	Transfer from - Utilities for Council Oversight	587400	00100	2016	\$30,000	
4	Increase spending to support the City Light Review Panel				CBO	City Budget Office	CZ000	00100	2016		\$30,000