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During last year’s budget process, the Council approved a \$500,000 appropriation for 2014 through Budget Action 97-1-A-1 for an independent external “review and assessment of the Department’s management and organizational structure, decision making processes and resource deployment.”

The City Council intends on hearing the details of this analysis and discussing plans to act on its findings – particularly in the area of precinct 9-1-1 responders and other patrol functions. Once the results and subsequent plan have come back to the City Council, the Council could take action to move the funds and authorize the hiring of additional police officers.

It is important to the City Council that the Seattle Police Department is properly staffed – both in the total number of police officers and the deployment of those officers. While the population of the City and calls for service have risen steadily over time, the number of precinct 9-1-1 response officers has not appreciably changed with them. The Council anticipates that the assessment currently under way – using the \$500,000 allocated by the Council – will inform them on the appropriate size and scope of the department and its various components.

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Budget Action Transactions

Budget Action Title: Move \$2,787,745 in GSF from the Seattle Police Department budget in 2016 to Finance General pending the review and assessment of the Department's management and resource deployment

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Move GSF funding from SPD to Finance General pending review and Council action.				SPD	Chief of Police	P1000	00100	2016		(\$676,011)
2	Move GSF funding from SPD to Finance General pending review and Council action.				SPD	Compliance and Professional Standards Bureau	P2000	00100	2016		(\$995,984)
3	Move GSF funding from SPD to Finance General pending review and Council action.	Pol Recruit - FT	-25	-25	SPD	Field Support Administration	P8000	00100	2016		(\$1,115,750)
4	Create reserve for hiring sworn officers				FG	Reserves	2QD00	00100	2016		\$2,787,745