

Ordinance No. 123612

Council Bill No. 117173

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Streetcar, accepting donations to fund service enhancements, authorizing changes in the streetcar service plan, and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

Related Legislation File:

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The City of Seattle – Legislative Department

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Tom Rasmussen

Committee Action:

Date	Recommendation	Vote
5/24/11	PASS	TRJG-TB 3-0

This file is complete and ready for presentation to Full Council.

Full Council Action:

Date	Decision	Vote
5-31-11	Passed	8-0 (M.O. excused)

Law Department

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WHEREAS, the City of Seattle constructed the South Lake Union Line of the Seattle Streetcar to provide local transit service and support economic development in South Lake Union, the Denny Triangle, and the Downtown Retail Core; and

WHEREAS, the South Lake Union area is experiencing significant employment growth which is expected to continue in 2011 and 2012 as tenants move in to new construction; and

WHEREAS, several employers in the South Lake Union area wish to make a gift of funds to the City of Seattle to fund a pilot project that will increase the frequency of service during the afternoon to evening weekday peak travel period; and

WHEREAS, while the City is open to accepting third party private donations to pay for additional hours associated with the South Lake Union Streetcar line, it is expected that on-going service enhancements will depend on renewal of the donations and the City's acceptance of the donations in no way obligates the use of additional Metro service hours or City dollars for this purpose once private donations are expended; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Director of Transportation is authorized to accept gifts of funds to support operation and maintenance of the Seattle Streetcar and to deposit gift funds for this purpose in the Seattle Streetcar Fund.

Section 2. The Director of Transportation is authorized to revise the Streetcar service plan to provide increased service frequency, within the limits of funding received through donations, and to make revisions to better match service levels to demand, within funding constraints.

Section 3. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is hereby ratified and confirmed.

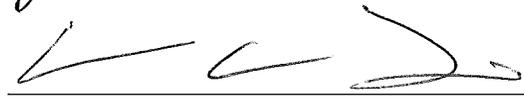


1 Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the 31st day of May, 2011, and
5 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this
6 31st day of May, 2011.

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9 President _____ of the City Council

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11 Approved by me this 3rd day of June, 2011.

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14 Michael McGinn, Mayor

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16 Filed by me this 3rd day of June, 2011.

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19 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

Department:	Contact Person/Phone:	CBO Analyst/Phone:
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Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Streetcar, accepting donations to fund service enhancements, authorizing changes in the streetcar service plan, and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

Summary of the Legislation: The legislation authorizes a service increase for the Seattle Streetcar and acceptance of gift funds. Private donations (\$65,000) will fund a pilot project that will increase 2011 service levels to provide ten minute frequencies during the afternoon/evening peak period. The legislation also authorizes other minor service adjustments, such as reducing or eliminating service in times of low demand. SDOT will work with King County Metro to optimize service levels.

Background: The ordinance authorizing an interlocal agreement with King County for operation of the Seattle Streetcar contained a provision requiring Council authorization of any changes to the streetcar service plan. Employers in South Lake Union are seeking a service increase and are making private donations to fund the service increase.

Please check one of the following:

This legislation does not have any financial implications.
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This legislation has financial implications. (Please complete all relevant sections that follow.)

Appropriations:

The additional expenditure associated with the 2011 service increase is anticipated to be within the expenditure authority authorized in the 2011 Budget, which included contingencies.

Anticipated Revenue/Reimbursement: Resulting from this Legislation:

Fund Name and Number	Department	Revenue Source	2011 Revenue	2012 Revenue
Seattle Streetcar Fund 10810	Seattle Streetcar	Gifts (Private)	65,000	0
TOTAL			65,000	0

Revenue/Reimbursement Notes: Funds from private donations will be deposited in the Seattle Streetcar Fund.



Spending/Cash Flow Notes: The donations will be received prior to the start of the service level increase, which will benefit the cash flow performance of the Streetcar Operations Fund.

What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation? There would be no direct financial costs, but implementing the legislation will support continued economic growth in South Lake Union and may increase tax receipts.

Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department? No.

What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives? The same objective could be accomplished by funding the service enhancement with General Fund revenues.

Is the legislation subject to public hearing requirements? No

Other Issues: (Include long-term implications of the legislation.)

In 2012, service levels will need to be reduced back to current levels if further revenues are not identified.

List attachments to the fiscal note below: None.



City of Seattle
Office of the Mayor

May 3, 2011

Honorable Richard Conlin
President
Seattle City Council
City Hall, 2nd Floor

Dear Council President Conlin:

I am transmitting the attached proposed Council Bill that authorizes acceptance of private donations to the City of Seattle for the purpose of funding increased peak period service levels on the Seattle Streetcar and authorizes the increased service levels.

Since construction of the Seattle Streetcar, corporations and non-profit organizations such as PATH, the Institute for Systems Biology, and Amazon.com have relocated along the streetcar alignment. As a result, ridership on the streetcar increased by 15% in 2010, and is now 25% greater than in its first full year of operation. With several thousand additional employees scheduled to move to South Lake Union this year, demand is continuing to grow. Employers in the area are aware that the trains are nearly full in the afternoon/evening peak travel period, and have offered to fund a service increase in 2011 to better serve the growing employment base. These donations will allow us to enhance service levels, from the current 15-minute headways that are provided throughout the service day to a 10-minute frequency during the afternoon/evening peak.

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. Should you have questions, please contact Ethan Melone of SDOT at 684-8066.

Sincerely,

Michael McGinn
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council



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Affidavit of Publication

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

06/17/11

Notary public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle

State of Washington, King County

City of Seattle Title Only Ordinances

The full text of the following legislation, passed by the City Council on May 31, 2011, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://clerk.seattle.gov>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>.

Contact: Office of the City Clerk at (206) 684-8344.

ORDINANCE NO. 123609

AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; amending Chapter 23.32 of the Seattle Municipal Code at page 102 of the Official Land Use Map to rezone property located at 711 Bellevue Avenue East from Lowrise 3 (LR3) to Midrise with a 60 foot height limit (MR-60), and accepting a Property Use and Development Agreement in connection therewith. (Petition by Lesley Bain, C.F. 310211, DPD Project 3010378)

ORDINANCE NO. 123610

AN ORDINANCE related to fees and charges for permits and activities under Seattle's Building and Construction Codes; repealing sections of Ordinance 123453 and amending Sections 22.900E.050, 22.900C.010, and 22.900D.145 of the Seattle Municipal Code to make technical corrections.

ORDINANCE NO. 123611

AN ORDINANCE relating to Shoreline Street End permits; amending the current Seattle Department of Transportation Street Use Fee Schedule by revising the Shoreline Street End permit fee methodology, and repealing Section 1 and Attachment A of Ordinance 119673, Shoreline Street End Permit Fee Methodology; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 123612

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ORDINANCE NO. 123613

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission; authorizing the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Seattle School District for implementing an ongoing independent ethics and whistleblower protection program for Seattle Public Schools, increasing appropriations in the 2011 Adopted Budget for the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, creating a position in the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, and ratifying and confirming prior acts; all by a two-thirds vote of the City Council.

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, June 17, 2011.

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