

Ordinance No. 121844

Council Bill No. 115258

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Police Department; authorizing the creation of Police Officer - Patrol positions; and increasing appropriations to the Police Department in the 2005 Budget; all by a three-fourths vote of the City Council.

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# The City of Seattle - Legislative Department

Council Bill/Ordinance sponsored by: *Nick Lesar*  
Councilmember

## Committee Action:

*Pass 3-0*

*(Lienta, Skindbrecht, Della)*

*6/13/05 Removed from Referral Calendar*

*6-27-05 Passed 9-0*

This file is complete and ready for presentation to Full Council. Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
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CF No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date Introduced: <b>MAY 9 - 2005</b>		
Date 1st Referred: <b>MAY 9 - 2005</b>	To: (committee)	<b>Public Safety, Civil Rights &amp; Arts</b>
Date Re - Referred: <b>JUN 13 2005</b>	To: (committee)	<b>COMMITTEE OF WHOLE</b>
Date Re - Referred:	To: (committee)	
Date of Final Passage: <b>6-27-05</b>	Full Council Vote: <b>9-0</b>	
Date Presented to Mayor: <b>6-28-05</b>	Date Approved: <b>7/6/05</b>	
Date Returned to City Clerk: <b>7/8/05</b>	Date Published: <b>2pp</b>	T.O. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.T. <input type="checkbox"/>
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ORDINANCE 121844

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WHEREAS, in the context of the overall decline of crime, especially violent crime, in Seattle, the city has continued to experience problems with property crimes that impact the quality of life of Seattle’s citizens and the safety of its neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, like all City departments, the Seattle Police Department has experienced position reductions during the fiscally difficult times of the past three years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are fully committed to ensuring that the Seattle Police Department has the resources it needs to sustain the city’s status as one of the safest large cities in the nation; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. To provide additional sworn resources to address Seattle’s public safety, the following positions are created in the Police Department, all in the public safety civil service.

Department	Position	# of Positions	Type
Police	Police Officer-Patrol	25	Full-time

The Chief of Police is authorized to fill these positions subject to personnel rules and laws.



1 Section 2. In order to pay for necessary costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred in  
2 2005, but for which insufficient appropriations were made, the appropriation for the following in  
3 the 2005 Budget is increased from the fund shown, as follows:  
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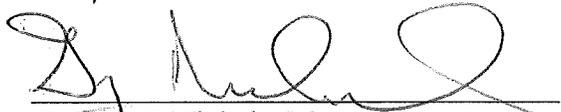
Fund	Department	Budget Control Level	Amount
General Subfund (00100)	Police	Human Resources Management, P8800	\$837,300

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10 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after  
11 its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days  
12 after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

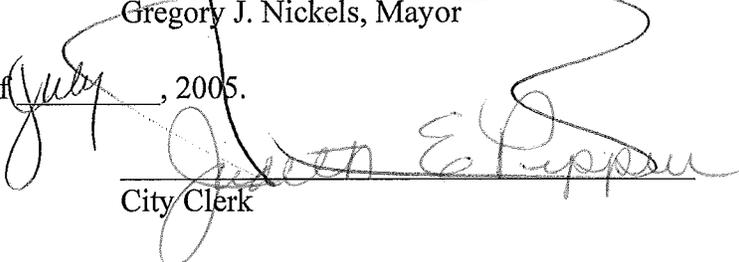
13 Passed by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of all the members of the City Council the 27<sup>th</sup> day  
14 of June, 2005, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this  
15 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2005.

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18 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

19 Approved by me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

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22 Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

23 Filed by me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

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26 City Clerk

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# City of Seattle

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

## Office of the Mayor

April 5, 2005

Honorable Jan Drago  
President  
Seattle City Council  
City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Dear Council President Drago:

I am very pleased to transmit the attached Council Bill that creates 25 additional Patrol Officer positions in the Seattle Police Department (SPD) and appropriates the money needed to accomplish this action in 2005. The additional Officers will be deployed by the Chief of Police among the five precincts in the city. To ensure that Seattle's neighborhoods receive the maximum benefit as a result of this action, I am proposing that no additional funds be spent for supervision, support staff, or vehicles.

Last November, in the final stages of adopting the 2005 budget, the City Council generated additional revenue by increasing the City's utility tax. There was not sufficient time then to talk about funding priorities, particularly public safety. Last year, I participated in five public safety town hall meetings throughout the city, where Seattle residents discussed issues that were important to them. A recurring theme in those discussions was that people want more police officers to help them keep their neighborhoods safe.

The 25 new Police Officer-Patrol positions authorized by this Bill will effectively restore the 2003 sworn position reductions required as a result of the dire fiscal conditions that impacted all City departments over the past few years. I am committed to sustaining the 25 sworn positions requested in this legislation when I submit my 2006 Proposed Budget to the Council.

Your support for this initiative will enhance Seattle Police Officers' ability to prevent crime in partnership with the citizens they serve, and keep Seattle one of the safest large cities in the nation. Should you have questions, please contact Deputy Chief John Diaz at 615-0936.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Nickels".

GREG NICKELS  
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council

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**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

<b>Department:</b>	<b>Contact Person/Phone:</b>	<b>DOF Analyst/Phone:</b>
Police	Mike Quinn/615-1230	Greg Doss/615-1759

**Legislation Title:**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Police Department; authorizing the creation of Police Officer – Patrol positions; and increasing appropriations to the Police Department in the 2005 Budget; all by a three-fourths vote of the City Council.

- **Summary of the Legislation:** This Council Bill will create 25 additional Police Officer-Patrol positions in the Police Department and appropriate monies to accomplish this task in 2005.
- **Background:** *(Include brief description of the purpose and context of legislation and include record of previous legislation and funding history, if applicable):*

The proposed Council Bill represents the most significant police hiring legislation since the Public Safety Action Plan of 1989-1990. The 25 new Police Officer-Patrol positions will effectively restore the 2003 sworn position reductions required as a result of the dire fiscal conditions that impacted all City departments at that time. Further, the 25 positions will take the Seattle Police Department to a total sworn authorization of 1,280 positions, the highest number in the history of the Department.

Approval of this legislation, followed by adoption of a 2006 budget that will sustain this initiative, will allow the Department to recruit up to 90 new officers in 2005 and between 50 and 60 in 2006. Filled sworn positions that include all fully trained officers and those in field training will increase from 1,224 in March 2005 to a projected 1,267 in December 2006; positions in service (fully trained, available officers) will increase from 1,163 to a projected 1,209 over the same period.

- *Please check one of the following:*

**This legislation does not have any financial implications.** *(Stop here and delete the remainder of this document prior to saving and printing.)*

**This legislation has financial implications.** *(Please complete all relevant sections that follow.)*



**Appropriations:** This table should reflect appropriations that are a direct result of this legislation. In the event that the project/ programs associated with this ordinance have appropriations that were, or will be, received because of previous or future legislation or budget actions, please provide details in the Notes section below.

Fund Name and Number	Department	Budget Control Level	2005 Appropriation	2006 Anticipated Appropriation
General Subfund (00100)	Police	Human Resources Management, P8800	\$837,300	
General Subfund (00100)	Police	D/C Administration Program, P1600		\$922,650
General Subfund (00100)	Police	West Precinct Patrol Program, P6100		\$184,530
General Subfund (00100)	Police	North Precinct Patrol Program, P6200		\$184,530
General Subfund (00100)	Police	South Precinct Patrol Program, P6500		\$184,530
General Subfund (00100)	Police	East Precinct Patrol Program, P6600		\$184,530
General Subfund (00100)	Police	Southwest Precinct Patrol Program, P6700		\$184,530
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$837,300</b>	<b>\$1,845,300</b>

**Notes:** The 2005 amount includes a total of \$718,800 for officer-related costs and \$118,500 in other charges that will support recruiting and training costs. The 2006 amount includes a total of \$1,689,300 for officer-related costs and \$156,000 in other charges that will support training costs.



**Anticipated Revenue/Reimbursement: Resulting From This Legislation:** This table should reflect revenues/reimbursements that are a direct result of this legislation. In the event that the issues/projects associated with this ordinance/resolution have revenues or reimbursements that were, or will be, received because of previous or future legislation or budget actions, please provide details in the Notes section below the table.

Fund Name and Number	Department	Revenue Source	2005 Revenue	2006 Revenue
<b>TOTAL</b>				

Notes: None.

**Total Regular Positions Created Or Abrogated Through This Legislation, Including FTE Impact:** This table should only reflect the actual number of positions created by this legislation. In the event that positions have been, or will be, created as a result of previous or future legislation or budget actions, please provide details in the Notes section below the table.

Position Title and Department*	Fund Name	Fund Number	Part-Time/Full Time	2005 Positions	2005 FTE	2006 Positions**	2006 FTE**
Police Officer-Patrol	General Subfund	00100	Full	25	25.0	25	25.0
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>25</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25.0</b>

\* List each position separately

\*\* 2006 positions and FTE are total 2006 position changes resulting from this legislation, not incremental changes. Therefore, under 2006, please be sure to include any continuing positions from 2005

Notes:

- **Do positions sunset in the future?** (If yes, identify sunset date): No. The intent is a permanent addition to sworn strength.



**Spending/Cash Flow:** This table should be completed only in those cases where part or all of the funds authorized by this legislation will be spent in a different year than when they were appropriated (e.g., as in the case of certain grants and capital projects). Details surrounding spending that will occur in future years should be provided in the Notes section below the table.

Fund Name and Number	Department	Budget Control Level*	2005 Expenditures	2006 Anticipated Expenditures
<b>TOTAL</b>				

\* See budget book to obtain the appropriate Budget Control Level for your department.

Notes: Not applicable.

- **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?** (Estimate the costs to the City of not implementing the legislation, including estimated costs to maintain or expand an existing facility or the cost avoidance due to replacement of an existing facility, potential conflicts with regulatory requirements, or other potential costs if the legislation is not implemented.)

The true costs to the City of not implementing this legislation are difficult to quantify. After listening to communities throughout the city, the Mayor feels that citizens' public safety needs will be less well served and the city will be less safe than it might otherwise be without this add of police patrol officers and, therefore, quality of life will be less than would otherwise be the case.

- **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** (Include any potential alternatives to the proposed legislation, such as reducing fee-supported activities, identifying outside funding sources for fee-supported activities, etc.)

The Department has gone as far as it can go pursuing internal efficiencies to its operations. Service enhancements now must come principally from additions to sworn strength.

- **Is the legislation subject to public hearing requirements:** (If yes, what public hearings have been held to date, and/or what plans are in place to hold a public hearing(s) in the future.)

No.

- **Other Issues** (including long-term implications of the legislation):

The Mayor has made a commitment to sustain the 25 sworn positions requested in the legislation through his 2006 Proposed Budget.



Michael Quinn  
March 22, 2005  
Sworn Adds Ordinance  
Version #: 3

**Please list attachments to the fiscal note below:** None.



STATE OF WASHINGTON – KING COUNTY

--SS.

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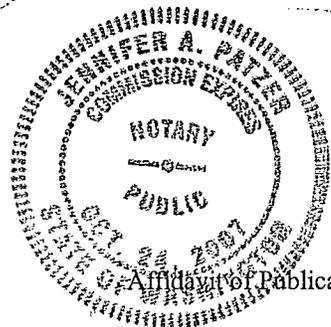
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on

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Notary public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle

Affidavit of Publication

State of Washington, King County

**City of Seattle**

**TITLE ONLY PUBLICATION**

The full text of the following ordinances, passed by the City Council on June 27, 2006, and published here by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed electronically at <http://clerk.ci.seattle.wa.us>. For further information, contact the Seattle City Clerk at 681-344.

**ORDINANCE NO. 121852**  
AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims and ordering the payment thereof.

**ORDINANCE NO. 121849**  
AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; declaring certain property rights surplus to the City of Seattle's needs; and authorizing the Superintendent to execute a long-term lease for the surplus rights with Gateway Plaza, LC over a portion of City Light fee owned Transmission Right-of-Way (P.M. #260407-447).

**ORDINANCE NO. 121848**  
AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; declaring certain property rights surplus to the City of Seattle's needs; and authorizing the Superintendent to execute a long-term lease for the surplus property rights with the Joshua Green Corporation over a portion of City Light fee owned Transmission Right-of-Way (Portion of P.M. #260418-2-201).

**ORDINANCE NO. 121845**  
AN ORDINANCE removing a budget provision that restricted an appropriation in the Seattle Police Department's 2006 budget.

**ORDINANCE NO. 121844**  
AN ORDINANCE relating to the Police Department; authorizing the creation of Police Officer, Patrol positions; and increasing appropriations to the Police Department in the 2006 Budget; all by a three-fourths vote of the City Council.

Publication ordered by JUDITH PIPPIN,  
City Clerk.  
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