

2013 - 2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Use \$60,000 of SDOT fund balance for an SR 520 bike and pedestrian access feasibility study and ongoing monitoring.

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Council Bill or Resolution:

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

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2013 Increase (Decrease)	2014 Increase (Decrease)
General Subfund		
General Subfund Revenues	\$0	\$0
General Subfund Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
Other Funds		
Transportation Operating Fund (10310)		
Revenues	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$60,000	\$0
Net Balance Effect	(\$60,000)	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	(\$60,000)	\$0

Budget Action description:

This green sheet would use \$60,000 of the Seattle Department of Transportation's (SDOT's) 2013 Unreserved Fund Balance to fund a bike and pedestrian access feasibility study for the Montlake Bridge and technology to monitor user volumes. The study will evaluate the potential of enhancing bicycle and pedestrian access on and around the Montlake Bridge by widening usable sidewalk areas and by managing bicycle and pedestrian flow and direction on the existing structure. Options to enhance pedestrian and bicycle volumes on the existing bridge will be analyzed and compared to construction of a new, separate bicycle and pedestrian bridge. SDOT is expected to complete the feasibility study by July of 2013 at an estimated cost of \$50,000. The remaining \$10,000 appropriated through this green sheet is intended for purchasing two automatic counters that can

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be deployed as needed to different locations across the city to measure bike and pedestrian user volumes.

Background: In September, Council adopted Resolution 31411 establishing a City policy position related to the SR 520 Project opposing the construction of a second bascule bridge across the Montlake Cut for the foreseeable future. However, in conjunction with this position, Council recognized the need for ongoing monitoring of conditions related to pedestrian and bicycle access and transit mobility in the immediate area. Council also identified a need to begin additional analysis of potential alternatives to meet future growth and demand for pedestrians, bicycles and transit in this corridor. This green sheet would fund the bike and pedestrian analysis and the technology investment to collect data on user volumes.

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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 SDOT use of fund balance.				SDOT	Use of (Contribution to) Fund Balance	379100	10310	2013	\$60,000	
2	Increase appropriation in SDOT's Engineering Services BCL.				SDOT	Engineering Services	17002	10310	2013		\$60,000