

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending portions of Chapters 15.06, 15.08, 15.10, and 15.12 and Sections 15.04.015, 15.04.074, 15.04.100, 15.16.040, 15.48.040 and 15.65.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code; repealing Section 15.10.030; amending the Seattle Department of Transportation Street Use Permit Fee Schedule; to correct typographical errors, correct section references, clarify regulations, and make minor amendments; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Summary of the Legislation:

Ongoing maintenance of the Street and Sidewalk Use Code, Title 15, including Chapters 15.06, 15.08, 15.10, and 15.12 and Sections 15.04.015, 15.04.074, 15.16.040, 15.48.040 and 15.65.010 and the Seattle Department of Transportation Street Use Permit Fee Schedule; to correct typographical errors, correct section references, clarify regulations, and make minor amendments. The amendments are consistent with the 2011 City Code Drafting Manual.

Background:

Periodically updating the Street and Sidewalk Use Code is an important part of the regulatory process. Clarifying the code is necessary to correct errors or omissions. The amendments will improve an understanding of and application of the code and the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule. The last omnibus ordinance of Street and Sidewalk Use Code for Chapters 15.02 and 15.04 was adopted in 2012 by Ordinance 123830. The chapters under amendment with this legislation were last updated in 1996 by Ordinance 118409.

Please check one of the following:

X **This legislation does not have any financial implications.**

Other Implications:

- a) Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
Yes, there are indirect financial impacts associated with the ability for SDOT to charge for DPD project-related reviews for the use of or impacts to public places. There are also long-term implications for the proposed amendments to the SDOT Street Use Permit Fee Schedule. New permit types are added to the Fee Schedule to better reflect the type of activities that are permitted in the public place rather than the current practice of issuing a ‘miscellaneous’ type permit. In addition, some permit types were added or amended to better reflect the uses impact on mobility in the public place and assess use fees in a consistent manner. The SDOT hourly rate and Street Use permit fees are consistent with the existing Council-approved Street Use Fee Schedule.
- b) What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
SDOT would not be able to collect fees for reviews or pre-submittal coordination related to a DPD project. In addition, SDOT would not be able to accurately assess mobility impact use fees for varying activities in the public place that are not specifically identified in the Fee Schedule.
- c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
Yes, proposed amendments to Title 15 may affect DPD and Parks. Mike Podowski with DPD and Marylou Whiteford with Parks have been consulted on these proposed amendments.
- d) What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** None.
- e) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**
No.
- f) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**
No.
- g) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?** No.
- h) Other Issues:** N/A

List attachments to the fiscal note below: N/A