

**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

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**Legislation Title:**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City’s purchase of an interest in real property at 901 Rainier Avenue South, Seattle, Washington owned by Compass Housing Alliance; authorizing the purchase and acceptance of an easement with restrictive covenants from Compass Housing Alliance to provide for the provision of social and community services on the property for a period of fifteen years; authorizing related agreements and actions; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

**Summary of the Legislation:**

Acquisition by the City of an easement on property owned by the Compass Housing Alliance, a non-profit provider of services to homeless and other low-income persons and families, including emergency shelter and day center services. The easement will secure the use of the facility for social services use for a period of not less than fifteen years and will cost the City \$400,000. The City Budget Office has determined that federal Community Development Block Grant funds are available for this acquisition cost.

**Background:**

This ordinance completes the actions required to implement a one-time add by the Mayor in the Adopted 2014 Operating Budget. Compass Housing Alliance leased space on Third Avenue in downtown Seattle to operate a day center for homeless persons. They also operated the emergency shelter related to the City’s homeless encampment policy out of a facility on Roy Street in Seattle. Compass Housing Alliance had to relocate both of these services, as the property owners have expressed other uses for the buildings. The funds in the 2014 Adopted budget are to facilitate the relocation and preserve these services.

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

**Other Implications:**

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**  
This legislation implements a budget add adopted by the Council in the 2014 Adopted Budget. An expenditure of \$400,000 in CDBG funds will follow the adoption of this legislation.

- b) What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**  
The City will save \$400,000 by not implementing this legislation, but at the very real risk of losing services for homeless persons.
- c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
No
- d) What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** The City would need to assist Compass Housing Alliance find acceptable property or facilities in another location to provide day center services and emergency shelter services for homeless persons.
- 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?**  
Yes
- h) Other Issues:**  
None

**List attachments to the fiscal note below:**