

## SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\*

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*\* Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

### **1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City of Seattle accepting the easements for overhead or underground electrical distribution rights upon, under and across the real property in King County, Washington; placing said easements under the jurisdiction of the City Light Department; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

**Summary and Background of the Legislation:**

This ordinance accepts 851 easements for overhead and underground electrical rights in King County, Washington. These easements are contained in short plats, lot boundary adjustments, and unit lot subdivisions approved by the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI).

SDCI requires that applications for short plats, lot boundary adjustments, and unit lot subdivisions be reviewed by other City departments. Each lot created in such property divisions needs to have adequate access for all utilities, including electrical service. The access for such utilities is provided by the means of utility easements in the final approved short plats, lot boundary adjustments, and unit lot subdivisions recorded with King County.

The Seattle City Charter requires that all acquisition and disposal of real property interests must be by ordinance. City Light periodically requests that the City Council accept by ordinance all the electrical service easements acquired through land use permitting actions.

### **2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?**      \_\_\_ Yes X No

If yes, please fill out the table below and attach a new (if creating a project) or marked-up (if amending) CIP Page to the Council Bill. Please include the spending plan as part of the attached CIP Page. If no, please delete the table.

### **3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget?**      \_\_\_ Yes X No

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete the table below.

**Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?**

No.

**Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?**

City Light cannot provide electrical service for these customers without the easements being in place. The financial cost of not implementing this legislation would be the forgone revenue from these customer accounts.

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete sections 3.a., 3.b., and 3.c. and answer the questions in Section 4.

**4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

- a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
Yes. This legislation accepts the electrical service easements contained in short plats, lot boundary adjustments, and unit lot subdivisions, acquired through land use permitting actions by SDCI during the prior years.
- b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
No.
- c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**  
No.
- d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
Yes. These easements are mapped in Seattle City Light's Real Property Geographic Information System (GIS).
- e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?**  
There are no perceived impacts. Not applicable.
- f. Climate Change Implications**
- 1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?**  
No.
  - 2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**  
No.
- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)?**  
Not applicable.

**Summary Attachments (if any):**  
None.