

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

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1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to information sharing for enforcement of civil immigration laws; prohibiting City provision of nonpublicly available personal information for use in civil immigration enforcement; clarifying the City’s position on immigration enforcement being a federal matter; making technical corrections; adding a new Section 4.18.016 to the Seattle Municipal Code; amending Section 4.18.015 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and repealing Section 4.18.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Summary and Background of the Legislation: This legislation clarifies the public policy of the City of Seattle regarding the role of City officers and employees in civil immigration enforcement. This bill: 1) repeals a Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) section from 1986 that directs officers and employees to “cooperate with [...] enforcement of federal immigration laws;” 2) removes reference to that repealed section; and, 3) prohibits City officers or employees from sharing any nonpublicly available personal information of any person for use in civil immigration enforcement, unless that individual has consented to the sharing or disclosure is legally required.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

No.

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

N/A

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.

This legislation is designed to align the Seattle Municipal Code with other statements of City policy by clarifying the role of City employees in civil immigration enforcement activities. Failure to implement this legislation could lead to further confusion about the role and responsibilities of City.

Please describe how this legislation may affect any City departments other than the originating department.

This legislation would affect all City departments by imposing restrictions on the disclosure of nonpublicly available personal information by any City officer or City employee.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No.

b. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?

No.

c. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

No.

d. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.

This legislation is designed to protect the nonpublicly available personal information of anyone interacting with City officers or employees from use in civil immigration enforcement. Vulnerable and/or historically disadvantaged communities are more likely to be at risk of harm if the information protections in this bill are not implemented.

ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.

N/A.

- iii. **What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**
TBD.

e. Climate Change Implications

- i. **Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

N/A

- ii. **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.**

N/A

- f. **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)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

N/A

- g. **Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**

No.

5. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments: None.