

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

A RESOLUTION calling for promoting workforce housing in Seattle by supporting a regional transit oriented development acquisition fund and by exploring the expansion of the development of accessory dwelling units and detached accessory dwelling units.

Summary of the Legislation:

The resolution states the Council’s intent to identify and authorize funding of \$1 million for the Central Puget Sound Regional Equitable Development Initiative Fund (REDI) as part of the Council’s discussions of the Proposed 2015-2016 budget. City funding will not be allocated until a business plan and appropriate agreements among regional funding partners are submitted, reviewed, and approved by Council. In addition, the Council intends to support an application to the Washington State Department of Transportation’s Regional Mobility Grant Program submitted by King County and our other regional partners that could provide funding for the REDI fund.

The resolution also requests the Department of Planning and Development to collect information and analyze: possible modifications to current regulations governing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and detached accessory dwelling units (DADUs); and new programs or policies that could be implemented that would result in an increase in the number of ADU’s and/or DADUs. DPD is requested to provide this information in a report to the Seattle Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda (HA&L) Advisory Committee that will be jointly convened by the Council and Mayor to examine strategies for increasing availability of affordable workforce housing. DPD is required to provide this report by March 15, 2015, in advance of the HA&L Advisory Committee completing its work.

Background:

In May of 2013, the Council adopted Resolution 31444, calling for a review of national best practices in affordable housing programs and policies, focused on creating affordable Workforce Housing defined as rental housing affordable to households earning 60% to 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) and homeownership housing affordable to households earning 80% to 100% of AMI.

The Council contracted with Otak and Penninger Consulting to conduct this review and the consultants have now submitted a report entitled “Seattle Workforce Housing Programs and Policies Related to Meeting Workforce Housing Needs in Seattle: A Survey and Analysis of Best Practices in Comparative Jurisdictions”.

This report included a number of recommendations, one of which the Council is interested in pursuing now, related to the development of a regional transit oriented development (TOD) acquisition fund, and another related to modifications to the accessory dwelling unit regulations that the Council would like the Seattle Housing Affordability and Livability (HA&L) Committee to consider.

Please check one of the following:

x This legislation does not have any financial implications.

(Please skip to “Other Implications” section at the end of the document and answer questions a-h. Earlier sections that are left blank should be deleted. Please delete the instructions provided in parentheses at the end of each question.)

No funds are authorized by this ordinance – but anticipate doing so as part of the Council’s 2015-2016 budget review.

This legislation has financial implications.

(If the legislation has direct fiscal impacts (e.g., appropriations, revenue, positions), fill out the relevant sections below. If the financial implications are indirect or longer-term, describe them in narrative in the “Other Implications” Section. Please delete the instructions provided in parentheses at the end of each title and question.)

Appropriations:

(This table should reflect appropriations that are a direct result of this legislation. In the event that the project/programs associated with this ordinance had, or will have, appropriations in other legislation please provide details in the Appropriation Notes section below. If the appropriation is not supported by revenue/reimbursements, please confirm that there is available fund balance to cover this appropriation in the note section.)

Fund Name and Number	Department	Budget Control Level*	2014 Appropriation	2015 Anticipated Appropriation
TOTAL				

**See budget book to obtain the appropriate Budget Control Level for your department.*

Appropriations Notes:

Anticipated Revenue/Reimbursement Resulting from this Legislation:

(This table should reflect revenues/reimbursements that are a direct result of this legislation. In the event that the issues/projects associated with this ordinance/resolution have revenues or reimbursements that were, or will be, received because of previous or future legislation or budget actions, please provide details in the Notes section below the table.)

Fund Name and Number	Department	Revenue Source	2014 Revenue	2015 Revenue
TOTAL				

Revenue/Reimbursement Notes:

Total Regular Positions Created, Modified, or Abrogated through this Legislation, Including FTE Impact:

(This table should only reflect the actual number of positions affected by this legislation. In the event that positions have been, or will be, created as a result of other legislation, please provide details in the Notes section below the table.)

Position Title and Department	Position # for Existing Positions	Fund Name & #	PT/FT	2014 Positions	2014 FTE	2015 Positions*	2015 FTE*
TOTAL							

* 2015 positions and FTE are total 2015 position changes resulting from this legislation, not incremental changes. Therefore, under 2015, please be sure to include any continuing positions from 2014.

Position Notes:

Do positions sunset in the future?

(If yes, identify sunset date)

Spending/Cash Flow:

(This table should be completed only in those cases where part or all of the funds authorized by this legislation will be spent in a different year than when they were appropriated (e.g., as in the case of certain grants and capital projects). Details surrounding spending that will occur in future years should be provided in the Notes section below the table.)

Fund Name & #	Department	Budget Control Level*	2014 Expenditures	2015 Anticipated Expenditures
TOTAL				

* See budget book to obtain the appropriate Budget Control Level for your department.

Spending/Cash Flow Notes:

Other Implications:

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**

(If yes, explain them here.) N/A

b) What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?

(Estimate the costs to the City of not implementing the legislation, including estimated costs to maintain or expand an existing facility or the cost avoidance due to replacement of an existing facility, potential conflicts with regulatory requirements, or other potential costs.) N/A

c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

(If so, please list the affected department(s), the nature of the impact (financial, operational, etc), and indicate which staff members in the other department(s) are aware of the proposed legislation.) N/A

d) What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?

(Include any potential alternatives to the proposed legislation, such as reducing fee-supported activities, identifying outside funding sources for fee-supported activities, etc.) N/A

e) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

(If yes, what public hearing(s) have been held to date, and/or what public hearing(s) are planned for the future?)
No

f) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

(For example, legislation related to sale of surplus property, condemnation, or certain capital projects with private partners may require publication of notice. If you aren't sure, please check with your lawyer. If publication of notice is required, describe any steps taken to comply with that requirement.)
N/A

g) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

(If yes, and if a map or other visual representation of the property is not already included as an exhibit or attachment to the legislation itself, then you must include a map and/or other visual representation of the property and its location as an attachment to the fiscal note. Place a note on the map attached to the fiscal note that indicates the map is intended for illustrative or informational purposes only and is not intended to modify anything in the legislation.)
N/A

h) Other Issues:

List attachments to the fiscal note below: