



**SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET COMMITTEE***
Wednesday, October 31, 2012
9:30 a.m.

REVISED

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PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS - ROUND 1

Councilmembers will discuss possible modifications to the Mayor's Proposed 2013-2014 Budget

SESSION I - 9:30 A.M.

A. Call to Order

B. Public Comment

C. Items of Business

1. Office of Arts and Cultural Affairs (OACA)

- a. SLI [3-1-A-1](#) Long-term options for Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center.
- b. GS [3-2-A-1](#) Add \$70,000 General SubFund (GSF) in 2013 and \$75,000 GSF in 2014 to OACA for half-time strategic advisor on cultural development.
- c. GS [3-3-A-1](#) Add \$100,000 GSF in 2013 and 2014 to Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs Capital Facilities Funding Program.

2. Seattle City Light (SCL)

- a. GS [5-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117637](#) authorizing City Light to sell up to \$275 million in utility bonds in 2013.
- b. GS [6-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117644](#) directing City Light to transfer certain funds in the Light Fund in 2012 to the Rate Stabilization Account.

3. Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS)

- a. GS [8-1-A-1](#) Cut 2.0 Full Time Employee (FTE) Americans with Disabilities Act compliance positions in FAS and reduce its appropriations in 2013 by \$260,000 and in 2014 by \$267,000 accordingly.
- b. GS [11-1-A-1](#) Increase appropriations in FAS in 2013 by \$25,000 and in 2014 by \$25,500 to restore full-time landscaping for City Hall and the Justice Center and restore an FTE gardener in Department of Parks and Recreation for that purpose.
- c. GS [12-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117629](#) changing FAS' pet adoption and sterilization fees, granting the Director enhanced authority to set fees, and amending the SMC in connection therewith.
- d. GS [13-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117628](#) authorizing the Director of FAS to declare pet license amnesties from time to time by Director's rule and amending the SMC in connection therewith.
- e. GS [14-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117625](#) giving the Director of FAS authority to set the Commute Trip Reduction program parking rate.
- f. GS [15-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117627](#) extending the deadline for repayment of the loan from the Consolidated Cash Pool to the Cumulative Reserve Subfund for the Joint Training Facility from Dec 31, 2012 to Dec 31, 2014.
- g. GS [16-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117626](#) authorizing FAS to transfer of City-owned vehicles to Public Health - Seattle King County.
- h. GS [17-1-A-1](#) Do not pass [Council Bill 117613](#), and pass, Council Bill 11XXXX, authorizing FAS to increase fees on taxi and for-hire vehicles, and modify driver dress code and hygiene standards.
- i. GS [17-1-B-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117613](#), authorizing FAS to increase fees on taxi and for-hire vehicles and eliminate dress code and hygiene standards.
- j. GS [18-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117611](#) authorizing FAS to amend the Concession Agreement between the City and the Benaroya Hall Music Center.

4. Department of Information Technology (DoIT)

- a. GS [22-1-A-1](#) Add \$95K per year from Cable Subfund to DoIT for Technology Matching Fund.
- b. GS [23-1-A-1](#) Transfer \$160,000 in 2013 and \$45,000 in 2014 from DoIT's fund balance to the Legislative Department to fund an automated

legislation workflow system.

- c. SLI [24-1-A-1](#) Requesting that DoIT report quarterly and at major decision points to the Council on its progress in developing a strategy for the Next Generation Data Center Initiative.

SESSION II - 2:00 P.M.

5. Seattle Public Utilities (SPU)

- a. SLI [27-1-A-1](#) SPU Rate Growth Strategic Plan.
- b. GS [27-2-A-1](#) Impose a proviso on \$100,000 in the proposed SPU 2013-2014 budget for a strategic plan efficiency consultant.
- c. GS [28-1-A-1](#) Amend as recommended by the Libraries, Utilities, and Center (LUC) Committee and pass as amended [Council Bill 117520](#) – the 2013-2015 drainage rate ordinance, and revise SPU’s proposed 2013-2014 budget accordingly; and decrease General SubFund (GSF) revenues.
- d. GS [28-2-A-1](#) Amend with late-breaking SPU budget changes and pass as amended [Council Bill 117520](#) - the 2013-2015 drainage rate ordinance.
- e. GS [28-3-A-1](#) Amend by adding \$500,000 for the Green Seattle Partnership and pass as amended [Council Bill 117520](#) - the 2013-2015 drainage rate ordinance, and revise the 2013-2014 SPU budget accordingly.
- f. GS [29-1-A-1](#) Amend as recommended by the LUC Committee and pass as amended [Council Bill 117521](#) – the 2013-2015 wastewater rate ordinance.
- g. GS [29-2-A-1](#) Amend with late-breaking SPU budget changes and pass as amended [Council Bill 117521](#) - the 2013-2015 wastewater rate ordinance.
- h. GS [30-1-A-1](#) Amend as recommended by the LUC Committee and pass as amended [Council Bill 117566](#) – the wastewater treatment rate ordinance.
- i. GS [30-2-A-1](#) Amend with late-breaking SPU budget changes and pass as amended [Council Bill 117566](#) – the wastewater treatment rate ordinance.
- j. GS [31-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117645](#) - the LUC-recommended solid waste rate ordinance, and revise SPU's 2013-2014 budget accordingly; and increase GSF revenues to reflect increased utility tax revenues.
- k. GS [31-2-A-1](#) Amend with late-breaking SPU budget changes and pass as amended [Council Bill 117645](#) - the Libraries, Utilities and Center-recommended solid waste rate ordinance.
- l. GS [31-3-A-1](#) DO NOT Pass [Council Bill 117522](#) - the SPU-proposed solid waste rate ordinance.

- m. GS [32-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117638](#) - the SPU solid waste bond ordinance.
- n. SLI [33-1-A-1](#) SPU and SCL Bill Delinquency Reduction.

6. Office of Sustainability and Environment (OSE)

- a. SLI [36-1-A-1](#) Community Power Works Assessment and Plan for Further Action.
- b. GS [36-2-A-1](#) Remove four Community Power Works positions with December 31, 2013 sunset dates from the proposed 2014 OSE budget.
- c. GS [37-1-A-1](#) Add \$30,000 of GSF to OSE in 2013 and 2014 for contract services with the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Regional Food Policy Council.
- d. GS [38-1-A-1](#) Add \$30,000 to the proposed OSE 2013 budget for SLU district energy technical standards, create a Cumulative Reserve SubFund (CRS)-U Support to GSF BCL, and make appropriations from that BCL for GSF support of added OSE spending.

7. Budget Legislation

- a. GS [137-1-A-1](#) Amend and Pass [Council Bill 117634](#) -- The Third Quarter Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance.
- b. GS [138-1-A-1](#) Amend and Pass [Council Bill 117633](#) -- The Third Quarter Grant Acceptance Ordinance.
- c. GS [139-1-A-1](#) Amend, and then pass as amended, [Council Bill 117647](#) to adopt 2013 budget.
- d. GS [140-1-A-1](#) Amend, and then adopt as amended, [Resolution 31415](#) to endorse the 2014 budget.
- e. GS [141-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117615](#), known as the "long" property tax ordinance.
- f. GS [142-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117612](#), known as the "short" property tax ordinance.
- g. GS [143-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117632](#) -- The Limited Tax General Obligation Bond Ordinance.
- h. GS [144-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117617](#) - 2013 furlough program for non-represented employees.
- i. GS [145-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117618](#) - Create 25 unfunded sunset "contract-in" positions in Personnel.
- j. GS [146-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117641](#) adopting the 2013 Annual Action Plan to the City of Seattle 2009-2012 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development.
- k. SLI [146-2-A-1](#) Home Repair Program Funding.
- l. GS [147-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117636](#) -- The Fire Permit Fee Ordinance.
- m. GS [148-1-A-1](#) Pass [Council Bill 117635](#) -- The Firefighter's Pension Fund actuarial account ordinance.

D. Adjournment

Related Legislation:

- [C.B. 117520](#) Relating to drainage services of Seattle Public Utilities (SPU); amending Section 21.33.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code to update definitions; amending Section 21.33.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to update exemptions from drainage rates and adjust drainage rates; amending Sections 21.33.050 and 21.33.070 to clarify billing and collection procedures; and amending Section 21.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to revise credits to low-income drainage customers.
- [C.B. 117521](#) Relating to wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; amending Section 21.28.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust the wastewater volume rate; and amending Subsection 21.76.040 A of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust credits to low-income wastewater customers.
- [C.B. 117522](#) Relating to the solid waste system of Seattle Public Utilities; revising rates and charges for solid waste services; revising credits to low income customers for solid waste services; offering free disposal at City recycling and disposal stations to low income customers under certain conditions; revising rates for yellow pages phone book recovery fees; providing for an annual adjustment to rates and charges for inflationary adjustments to contractor payments; and amending Chapters 21.40, 21.76 and 6.255 of the Seattle Municipal Code.
- [C.B. 117566](#) Relating to drainage and wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; adjusting wastewater and drainage rates to pass through increased treatment costs charged by King County; amending Sections 21.28.040 and 21.33.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to reflect the adjusted rates; and amending Section 21.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust credits to low-income drainage and wastewater customers.
- [C.B. 117611](#) Authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to execute a Third Amendment to the Lease and Concession Agreement between the City of Seattle and BH Music Center; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117612](#) Authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2013, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2012; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117613](#) Relating to taxicabs and for-hire vehicles; increasing the taxicab and for-hire regulatory license fees, inspection fees, and miscellaneous fees; increasing monetary penalties for all code violations; eliminating uniform requirements; and amending Sections 6.310.150, 6.310.200, 6.310.465, and 6.310.605 of the Seattle Municipal Code in connection thereto.
- [C.B. 117615](#) Relating to the levy of property taxes; fixing the rates and/or amounts of taxes to be levied, and levying the same upon all taxable property, both real and personal, in The City of Seattle, to finance the departments and activities of City government and to provide for the general obligation bond interest and redemption requirements for the year beginning on the first day of January 2013; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

- [C.B. 117617](#) Relating to City employment; establishing a 2013 furlough program for certain employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements.
- [C.B. 117618](#) Relating to City employment; establishing twenty-five (25) unfunded positions in the Personnel Department to be utilized by City departments to perform work that otherwise would be contracted out; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.
- [C.B. 117625](#) Relating to the Seattle Department of Transportation's Commuter Services Program; authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to adjust parking fees in the Seapark and Seattle Municipal Tower Garages in association with the Commute Trip Reduction Program's Guaranteed Ride Home Program for City employees; establishing that such fees be lower than regular daily parking fees in those facilities; and deleting obsolete language and amending Ordinance 119758 in connection thereto.
- [C.B. 117626](#) Relating to fleet services, authorizing the transfer to King County of certain vehicles leased from the City by Public Health - Seattle and King County; establishing the method for determining the value of the vehicles to be transferred; authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to execute an agreement with King County in order to complete the associated transition, including refunding County funds that were originally intended to replace the vehicles being transferred, compensating the City for those vehicle assets, transferring said vehicles; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117627](#) Relating to the Joint Training Facility Project; amending Ordinance 121179, as last amended by Ordinance 123481, to extend the term of an interfund loan.
- [C.B. 117628](#) Relating to animal licensing; amending Section 9.25.100, Section 9.26.020 and Section 9.26.025 in connection therewith, and adding a new Section 9.25.200 to the Seattle Municipal Code, authorizing the establishment of amnesty periods by Director's rule.
- [C.B. 117629](#) Relating to animal regulations; changing shelter fees and regulations concerning the municipal spay and neuter clinic, and enhancing the Director's authority relating to pet adoptions, and amending Sections 9.25.030, 9.25.045, 9.25.081, 9.26.050 and 9.26.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code.
- [C.B. 117632](#) Relating to contracting indebtedness; authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of limited tax general obligation bonds to pay all or part of the cost of financing elements of the City's capital improvement program, issuing and selling the bonds, and other City purposes approved by ordinance; providing for terms and sale of the bonds; creating a bond fund; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117633](#) Authorizing, in 2012, acceptance of funding from non-City sources; authorizing the heads of the Office of Sustainability and Environment, the Seattle Fire Department, and the Seattle Police Department to accept specified grants and private funding and to execute, deliver, and perform corresponding agreements; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117634](#) Related to the 2012 Budget; amending Ordinance 123758, which adopted the 2012 Budget, including the 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); creating new appropriations; changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; adding new projects; creating positions; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

- [C.B. 117635](#) Relating to the Firefighters' Pension Fund established under RCW 41.16; amending Ordinance 117216 as last amended by Ordinance 123459 to continue the suspension of contributions to the Actuarial Account for an additional two years through 2014.
- [C.B. 117636](#) Relating to the Building and Construction Codes, Subtitle VI Fire Code; amending Seattle Municipal Code Sections 22.602.045, 22.602.050, 22.602.070, 22.602.080, and 22.602.090, to add, delete and revise various Seattle Fire Department permit, certificate, inspection and plan review fees and related provisions.
- [C.B. 117637](#) Relating to the electric system of The City of Seattle; authorizing the issuance and sale of municipal light and power revenue bonds for the purposes of providing funds for certain additions and betterments to and extensions of the existing municipal light and power plant and system of the City, paying the costs of issuing and selling those bonds and providing for the reserve fund requirement; providing for the terms, conditions, covenants and manner of sale of those bonds; describing the lien of those bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117638](#) Relating to financing the solid waste system of The City of Seattle, Washington; adopting a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the solid waste system; authorizing the issuance and sale of solid waste revenue bonds, in one or more series, for the purposes of paying all or part of the cost of carrying out that system or plan, providing a bond reserve and paying the costs of issuing and selling the bonds; authorizing the execution of certain agreements relating thereto; providing for the terms, conditions, covenants and manner of sale of the bonds; describing the lien of the bonds; creating certain accounts of the City relating to the bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.
- [C.B. 117641](#) Adopting the 2013 Annual Action Plan to the City of Seattle 2009 - 2012 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, as amended; authorizing the submission of the 2013 Annual Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and authorizing the Human Services Director to make changes to the Plan for certain purposes.
- [C.B. 117644](#) Relating to the City Light Department; directing the transfer of certain funds in the Light Fund into the Rate Stabilization Account in 2012.
- [C.B. 117645](#) Relating to the solid waste system of Seattle Public Utilities; revising rates and charges for solid waste services; revising credits to low income customers for solid waste services; offering free disposal at City recycling and disposal stations to low income customers under certain conditions; revising rates for yellow pages phone book recovery fees; establishing conditions for adjustments to 2015 and 2016 solid waste rates; establishing conditions for deposits to and withdrawals from the rate stabilization account of the Solid Waste Fund; and amending Chapters 21.40, 21.76 and 6.255 of the Seattle Municipal Code.
- [C.B. 117647](#) Adopting a budget, including a capital improvement program and position modifications, for The City of Seattle for 2013; creating positions exempt from civil service; all by a two-thirds vote of the City Council.
- [Res. 31415](#) Endorsing a budget and position modifications for The City of Seattle for 2014.