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1 A RESOLUTION declaring the City of Seattle's intent to promote and enhance the livability of
2 the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village by implementing initiatives that complement
3 changes to land use regulations.

4 WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village
5 were last revised in 2000; and

6 WHEREAS, in 2006, the Roosevelt Neighborhood Association developed a legislative rezone
7 proposal for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village; and

8 WHEREAS, Sound Transit is scheduled to open a new light rail station in the Roosevelt
9 Residential Urban Village in 2020; and

10 WHEREAS, the Seattle Planning Commission published a report on Seattle Transit
11 Communities in November 2010 that identified Roosevelt as one of the 14 transit
12 communities with the most urgent near-term planning needs; and

13 WHEREAS, in August 2011, the Executive submitted a legislative rezone proposal for the
14 Roosevelt Residential Urban Village to the City Council for review; and

15 WHEREAS, the City Council expects new development in the Roosevelt Residential Urban
16 Village to be guided by a design review process that is informed by a revised and updated
17 set of Neighborhood Design Guidelines; and

18 WHEREAS, until updated Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban
19 Village are adopted by the Council by ordinance, the Council expects development in
20 Roosevelt to be shaped by neighborhood-sensitive design work that engages the local
21 community; and

22 WHEREAS, the intersection of 15th Avenue Northeast and Northeast 65th Street serves as a
23 gateway and transition area between the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village and the
24 lower-density Ravenna neighborhood, it is the Council's intent to not pursue further
25 legislative rezones in this area that would allow increased density east of 15th Avenue
26 Northeast; and

27 WHEREAS, land use regulations alone will not support the achievement of every livability goal
28 developed for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE
MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

1 Section 1. The Council has passed the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 117379,
2 which revises land use regulations in the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village in order to spur
3 redevelopment and increase community vitality. While land use regulations can act as a catalyst
4 for new development, and updated regulations are important to prepare for the next real estate
5 development cycle, zoning alone cannot achieve policy goals for livability, social equity, and
6 neighborhood revitalization. Therefore, the City of Seattle declares its intent to promote and
7 enhance the livability of the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village by carrying out initiatives that
8 include, but are not limited to, the following:

9 A. Green Streets and Streetscape Design

10 1. The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) shall designate the
11 following corridors in the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village as Neighborhood Green Streets
12 on the Street Types Map in the City's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual:

- 13 a. Northeast 66th Street, from 8th Avenue Northeast to 15th Avenue
14 Northeast;
- 15 b. Brooklyn Avenue Northeast, from Northeast Ravenna Boulevard to
16 Northeast 66th Street; and
- 17 c. 14th Avenue Northeast, from Northeast 65th Street to Northeast 66th
18 Street.

19 2. SDOT shall revise subsection 6.2.3, Green Street Locations, and Figure 6.6,
20 Neighborhood Green Street Locations in North Seattle, in the City's Right-of-Way
21 Improvements Manual to include the identified portions of Northeast 66th Street, Brooklyn
22 Avenue Northeast, and 14th Avenue Northeast as Neighborhood Green Streets.

23 3. The Department of Planning and Development (DPD), SDOT, and Seattle
24 Public Utilities shall give high priority to working with the Roosevelt community in 2012 to
25 prepare green street concept plans for the identified portions of Northeast 66th Street, Brooklyn
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1 Avenue Northeast, and 14th Avenue Northeast. The concept plans shall create a framework for
2 future development and right-of-way projects that encourages consistent streetscape
3 improvements, enhances existing open space, and supports walkability and bicycle connections
4 in the neighborhood. The concept plans should be adopted by a joint DPD and SDOT Director's
5 Rule and included in subsection 6.1.8, List of Approved Street Design Concept Plans, in the
6 City's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual.

7 B. Neighborhood Design Guidelines

8 1. DPD shall give high priority to working with the Roosevelt community in
9 2012 to prepare an update to the Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential
10 Urban Village.

11 2. DPD shall give high priority to submitting an update to the Neighborhood
12 Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village to the City Council for review
13 and possible adoption by ordinance by December 31, 2012.

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

A RESOLUTION declaring the City of Seattle's intent to promote and enhance the livability of the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village by implementing initiatives that complement changes to land use regulations.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation declares the City's intent to promote and enhance the livability of the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village by carrying out initiatives in 2012 that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1) Designating portions of Northeast 66th Street (8th Avenue Northeast to 15th Avenue Northeast), Brooklyn Avenue Northeast (Northeast Ravenna Boulevard to Northeast 66th Street), and 14th Avenue Northeast (Northeast 65th Street to Northeast 66th Street) as Neighborhood Green Streets in the City's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual;
- 2) Preparing green street concept plans for the identified portions of Northeast 66th Street, Brooklyn Avenue Northeast, and 14th Avenue Northeast; and
- 3) Preparing an update to the Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village.

Background:

This legislation is a companion resolution to Council Bill 117379, which revises land use regulations in the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village.

Please check one of the following:

This legislation does not have any financial implications.

This legislation has financial implications.

Other Implications:

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
Developing green street concept plans for the corridors described above will likely cost the City about \$25,000 to \$40,000 in consulting fees and require a modest amount of staff support from the Department of Planning and Development (DPD), the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT), and Seattle Public Utilities (SPU). Up to \$40,000 for consulting fees may be provided by Legislative Department, using funding that has been set aside for neighborhood planning activities in Roosevelt. City staff support for this effort will be drawn from existing departmental resources. DPD will also utilize existing staff resources to work with the Roosevelt community to complete the requested update to the neighborhood's design guidelines.
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
None.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
Yes. The legislation calls on DPD, SDOT and SPU to work with the Roosevelt community in 2012 to prepare green street concept plans for identified portions of Northeast 66th Street, Brooklyn Avenue Northeast, and 14th Avenue Northeast. It also requests that DPD work with the neighborhood in 2012 to prepare an update to the Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village.
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?**
None.
- 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?**
No.
- h) **Other Issues:** None.

List attachments to the fiscal note below: None.