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CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL 117564

AN ORDINANCE relating to a grant from the United States Department of Transportation for the construction of the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase; authorizing the Director of Transportation to accept a $14,000,000 grant and to execute grant-related agreements for and on behalf of the City; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) has authorized $500,000,000 for the Fiscal Year 2012 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle submitted an application to the USDOT in May 2012 to request funds through this program for the purpose of constructing the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase; and

WHEREAS, based on the City's successful application, USDOT has awarded $14,000,000 to the City from these funds; and

WHEREAS, the TIGER grant requires execution of a grant agreement; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Director of Transportation ("Director") or his designee is authorized to accept a grant from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) under its Fiscal Year 2012 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program, in the amount of $14,000,000, and to execute, deliver and perform, on behalf of The City of Seattle, agreements with the United States and with Washington Department of Transportation for the purpose of accepting the grant funding for construction of the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase. The grant funds, when received, shall be deposited in the receiving fund identified below.

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Item	Department	Grantor	Purpose	Amount	Fund
1.1	Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT)	US Department of Transportation (USDOT)	Mercer Corridor Project West Phase	$14,000,000	Transportation Operating Fund (10310)

Section 2. Any acts consistent with the authority of the ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2012, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____, 2012.

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President _____of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2012.

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Michael McGinn, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2012.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to a grant from the United States Department of Transportation for the construction of the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase; authorizing the Director of Transportation to accept a $14,000,000 grant and to execute grant-related agreements for and on behalf of the City; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

Summary and background of the Legislation: This legislation authorizes the acceptance of grant funds made available through the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) TIGER program.

The USDOT has awarded $14,000,000 to the City of Seattle from the Fiscal Year 2012 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program. The grant funds will be used for the purpose of constructing the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase. The grant requires a minimum 20% local match.

Project Name:	Project I.D.:	Project Location:	Start Date:	End Date:
Mercer Corridor Project West Phase	TC367110	Mercer St/Elliott Ave W/Dexter Ave N	Q1 2010	Q4 2015

Please check any of the following that apply:

___ **This legislation creates, funds, or anticipates a new CIP Project.**
(Please note whether the current CIP is being amended through this legislation, or provide the Ordinance or Council Bill number of the separate legislation that has amended/is amending the CIP.)

___ **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.)

_X_ **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.)

This legislation does not change the appropriations or the spending plan for the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase. Appropriations and spending plan adjustments related to this grant will be reflected in the 2013-2014 Proposed Budget and the 2013-2018 Proposed Capital Improvement Program.

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Other Implications:

a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
Acceptance of this grant will require the department to construct the project as outlined in the State Transportation Plan, develop and collect data related to performance measures and provide required reports.

b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
Without this legislation, the City will not receive $14,000,000 in TIGER funds and will not be able to start construction of the project.

c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
Yes, SCL and SPU have been involved in the design of the project and are planning system improvements as part of the project.

d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?**
Acceptance of the grant award is a prerequisite for the receipt of these federal funds. There are no alternatives that could achieve the same or similar objectives.

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:**

List attachments to the fiscal note below:

COUNCIL CLERK

City of Seattle
Office of the Mayor

August 21, 2012

Honorable Sally J. Clark
President
Seattle City Council
City Hall, 2nd Floor

Dear Council President Clark:

I am pleased to transmit the attached proposed Council Bill that accepts a $14,000,000 grant from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) for the construction of the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase.

The project is currently at 100% design with an updated cost estimate of approximately $95 million. With the recent award of the TIGER IV grant, the project is fully funded. The project will improve local safety, access, and circulation within the neighborhood for motorized vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians and provide for more direct movement of traffic and freight through the Mercer Corridor in South Lake Union and Uptown to prepare the City to meet the anticipated growth of the communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. Should you have questions, please contact Jana Duran (SDOT) at 684.0344.

Sincerely,

Michael McGinn
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council

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