

CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL 118290

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Office of Housing; repealing Section 3.14.750 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

WHEREAS, the Seattle Municipal Code, Chapter 3.14, establishes the Office of Housing, including its mission and purpose and the duties of its Director; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Municipal Code, Section 3.14.750, requires the Office of Housing to submit an annual work program to the City Council for approval, which is generally not required for City departments and offices; and

WHEREAS, City Council establishes priorities for department activities through the City budget process and receives regular briefings of department work program activities at Committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council directs implementation of Office of Housing programs through the Council-approved Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan and Housing Levy Administrative and Financial Plan, and through provisions in the Seattle Municipal Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 1. Section 3.14.750 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 119273 and that currently reads as follows, is repealed:

~~**3.14.750 – Work program to be adopted by City Council.**~~

~~The annual work program for the Office of Housing, showing anticipated tasks, likely work products, and approximate assignments of FTEs shall be set by the City Council. The Council's review of the work program shall be in two (2) steps:~~

1 ~~A. The Director of Housing shall submit a preliminary proposed work program for the~~
2 following year to the City Council no later than October 1st of the current year for review
3 during the budget process.

4 ~~B. By January 15th the following year, the Director of Housing shall submit a revised~~
5 proposed work program to the City Council. During the first quarter, the City Council shall
6 adopt a resolution setting the final work program for the Office of Housing. This resolution
7 shall guide the work of the Office throughout the year, and any significant changes to the work
8 shall require Council approval.
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1 Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2014, and
5 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this
6 ____ day of _____, 2014.

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9 President _____ of the City Council

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11 Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2014.

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14 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

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16 Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2014.

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19 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

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Summary of the Legislation: This legislation repeals the SMC provision requiring the Office of Housing to submit a proposed work plan to Council each year, which must be adopted by Council resolution.

Background:

The requirement for City Council adoption of OH's annual work plan dates from the formation of the Office in 1998. OH must submit a preliminary work plan each October, followed by a revised proposed work plan in January. Council adoption of annual work plans is not generally required of City departments or Executive offices and is no longer necessary for OH. OH's work is guided by the Council-adopted City Budget, Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan, Housing Levy Administrative and Financial Plan, and provisions of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Please check one of the following:

This legislation does not have any financial implications.

Other Implications:

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
No
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
None
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
No
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** No

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: None