



# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Legislative Summary

CB 119632

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**Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; granting authority for the Department to offer term-limited pilot programs to study demand response and low-income assistance programs.

### Date

Notes:

Filed with City Clerk:

Mayor's Signature:

Sponsors: Mosqueda

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

Attachments:

Drafter: Kirsty.grainger@seattle.gov

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| 1                                                                                                                            | Mayor                         | 09/04/2019 | Mayor's leg<br>transmitted to<br>Council | City Clerk                                                      |           |                 |         |
| 1                                                                                                                            | City Clerk                    | 09/05/2019 | sent for review                          | Council<br>President's Office                                   |           |                 |         |
| 1                                                                                                                            | Council President's<br>Office | 09/05/2019 | sent for review                          | Housing, Health,<br>Energy, and<br>Workers' Rights<br>Committee |           |                 |         |
| <b>Action Text:</b> The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Housing, Health, Energy, and Workers' Rights Committee |                               |            |                                          |                                                                 |           |                 |         |
| 1                                                                                                                            | City Council                  | 09/09/2019 | referred                                 | Housing, Health,<br>Energy, and<br>Workers' Rights<br>Committee |           |                 |         |

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- 1 Housing, Health, Energy, 09/24/2019 pass 09/30/2019 Pass  
and Workers' Rights  
Committee

Action Text: The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 Chair Mosqueda, Vice Chair Juarez, Member Bagshaw

Opposed: 0

- 1 City Council 09/30/2019 passed Pass

Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Bill:

In Favor: 8 Councilmember Bagshaw, Council President Harrell, Councilmember  
Herbold, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember Mosqueda,  
Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Pacheco, Councilmember  
Sawant

Opposed: 0

- 1 City Clerk 10/03/2019 submitted for Mayor  
Mayor's signature

- 1 Mayor 10/04/2019 Signed  
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was Signed.

- 1 Mayor 10/11/2019 returned City Clerk  
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was returned. to the City Clerk

- 1 City Clerk 10/11/2019 attested by City Clerk  
Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was attested by City Clerk.
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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE** 125957

**COUNCIL BILL** 119632

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; granting authority for the Department to offer term-limited pilot programs to study demand response and low-income assistance programs.

WHEREAS, as described in a rate design report dated April 1, 2019 provided in response to Resolution 31819 adopted July 9, 2018, in which Council requested recommendations for an updated rate design, the Department plans to offer new customer rate designs in coming years to further City objectives including affordability and decarbonization; and

WHEREAS, demand response programs promote City decarbonization goals by facilitating integration of new loads from electrification, facilitating more affordable customer rates in long-term; and

WHEREAS, in the near-term, programs to augment and supplement the existing Utility Discount Program can help customers who are experiencing hardship affording their energy bills despite the discounts currently offered; and

WHEREAS, pilot programs studying the potential effect of new rate designs on a small scale provide valuable information about customer behavior before adopting rates widely, thereby informing rate design and helping to avoid unintended financial consequences for customers and/or the utility; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the terms and conditions set forth within this ordinance and has determined that the supporting reasoning is sound and prudent; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Light Department may offer short-term pilot programs testing new approaches in the following two areas for rate design research:

A. Incentives in exchange for the ability to study customer consumption patterns associated with demand response programs such as time-of-use pricing, critical peak pricing or rebates, variable peak pricing, or direct load control. Incentives to curb or shift consumption must be cost-based and reflect system-wide benefits realized from customer behavior. To this end, program incentives must be achievable within existing budgetary authority and reflect cost of service consistent with existing adopted rates.

B. Alternative rate discounts and services to assist low-income customers in accordance with RCW 74.38.070 and Seattle Municipal Code Sections 21.49.040 and 21.49.042.

Section 2. In addition, pilot programs must:

A. Have a charter that defines research objective and specific evaluation criteria.

B. Be offered to a defined subset of customers on an opt-in basis, with recruitment strategies that target historically under-represented populations.

C. File precise terms and conditions for pilot participation in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3.02 of the Seattle Municipal Code, including opportunity for public feedback before program launch.

D. Have a finite timeframe with an end date that occurs no later than 36 months from the program start, unless the program starts after December 31, 2025, in which case the end date is December 31, 2028.

E. Hold pilot program participants harmless such that incentive/alternative discount structures do not prevail over regular adopted rates. Customers whose data and consumption

practices do not create a discount under a pilot program as compared with their regular assigned rate will be charged according to their normal rate.

F. Report regularly to City Council on pilot status and performance.

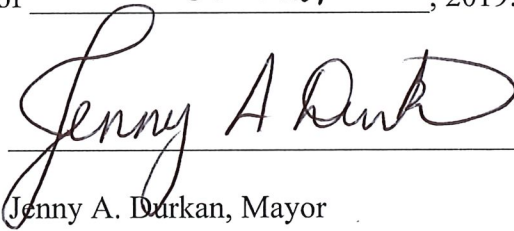
Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019,  
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

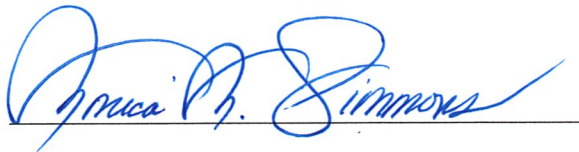


President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

  
Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2019.



Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)

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STATE OF WASHINGTON -- KING COUNTY

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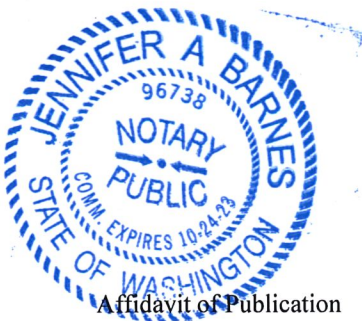
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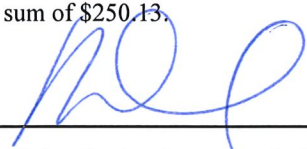
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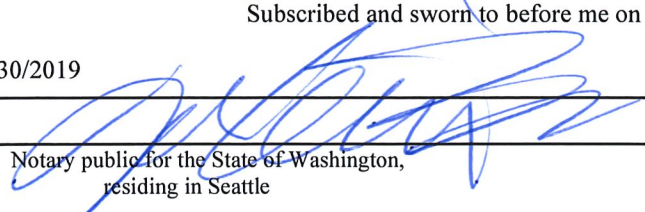
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10/30/2019

  
Notary public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle

# State of Washington, King County

## City of Seattle

The full text of the following legislation, passed by the City Council on September 30, 2019, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://seattle.legistar.com>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>.

### Ordinance 125949

#### Council Bill 119660

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims for the week of September 16, 2019 through September 20, 2019 and ordering the payment thereof.

### Ordinance 125950

#### Council Bill 119606

AN ORDINANCE relating to rental properties; restricting a landlord's ability to limit the number of persons residing in a rental unit; prohibiting the use of conditions that are applied to persons residing in a rental unit who are not tenants; and amending Sections 7.24.020 and 7.24.030 of, and adding new Sections 7.24.031 and 7.24.032 to, the Seattle Municipal Code.

### Ordinance 125951

#### Council Bill 119658

AN ORDINANCE relating to rental agreements; relieving a tenant experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking from liability for damage to the landlord's property caused by a perpetrator of domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking; creating a landlord mitigation program; and amending Sections 7.24.020, 7.24.030, and 22.206.170 of, and adding new Section 7.24.033 to, the Seattle Municipal Code.

### Ordinance 125952

#### Council Bill 119619

AN ORDINANCE relating to notices to residential rental tenants; requiring certain notices to contain a reference to City landlord-tenant information and resources; and amending Section 22.206.180 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

### Ordinance 125953

#### Council Bill 119620

AN ORDINANCE relating to residential rent payments; requiring receipts and non-electronic payment options; and amending Section 7.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

### Ordinance 125954

#### Council Bill 119621

AN ORDINANCE relating to termination of residential rental tenancies; requiring compliance with the Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance before issuing notices to terminate a tenancy; and amending Sections 22.206.160 and 22.214.075 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

### Ordinance 125955

#### Council Bill 119639

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; declaring certain real property rights to be surplus to the needs of Seattle Public Utilities; and authorizing the General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities to execute an easement agreement with Little Green Valley, LLC, a Washington limited liability company; Nancy J. Gleason; Ron L. Nickell aka Ronald L. Nickell and Sandra Flint Nickell, Husband and Wife; William H. Flint, The Heirs of Charles Eugene Flint; and Joan H. Zimmerman, allowing the use of certain City of Seattle property in the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 22 North, Range 6 East, W.M., in King County Washington for access purposes.

### Ordinance 125956

### Council Bill 119631

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of City Light to execute the NorthernGrid Funding Agreement; authorizing the execution of supplements, extensions, and amendments to such agreement subject to appropriated budget authority; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

### Ordinance 125957

#### Council Bill 119632

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; granting authority for the Department to offer term-limited pilot programs to study demand response and low-income assistance programs.

### Ordinance 125958

#### Council Bill 119633

AN ORDINANCE relating to the rates, terms, and conditions for the use and sale of electricity supplied by the City Light Department for 2020; amending Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) Sections 21.49.030, 21.49.052, 21.49.055, 21.49.057, and 21.49.081; adding a new Section 21.49.070 to the SMC; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

### Ordinance 125959

#### Council Bill 119659

AN ORDINANCE relating to emergency assistance for low-income City Light Department and Seattle Public Utilities Department customers; amending Sections 21.49.042 and 21.76.065 of the Seattle Municipal Code to expand and align eligibility and assistance guidelines for emergency assistance programs.

### Ordinance 125960

#### Council Bill 119635

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department and the Office of Housing; transferring jurisdiction of the former Loyal Heights and Phinney Substation properties from the City Light Department to the Office of Housing for the purpose of developing permanently affordable home ownership.

### Ordinance 125961

#### Council Bill 119614

AN ORDINANCE vacating Carr Place North between North 34th Street and North 35th Street, on the petition of Seattle Public Utilities (Clerk File 312535).

### Ordinance 865219

#### Council Bill None

AN ORDINANCE for testing our passed legislation process

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, October 30, 2019.

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