

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

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1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to the Department of Neighborhoods; authorizing implementation of certain Neighborhood Matching Fund projects in 2015, and specifying that 2015 appropriations for the Neighborhood Matching Subfund shall carry forward automatically to future budget years.

Summary and background of the Legislation:

This proposed legislation allocates funds for 19 projects in the 2015 Neighborhood Matching Subfund (NMF) Large Projects Fund (LPF) totaling \$1,505,515. While funds are already appropriated in the 2015 Adopted Budget, this ordinance identifies specific projects, and gives the Department authority to execute public works contracts, if appropriate.

The Neighborhood Matching Fund (NMF) program was established in 1987 via Resolution 27709 to fund neighborhood-based projects initiated and implemented by community members in a Seattle neighborhood. Projects include physical improvements, planning, organizing, and environmental. Applicant groups are not required to have nonprofit status to secure NMF funding.

The Citywide Review Team (CRT), comprised of up to 17 community volunteers, reviews and rates NMF Large Projects Fund applications and makes award recommendations. The LPF award recommendations require support of the Mayor and approval of the City Council. This ordinance allocates funds for the 2015 Large Projects Fund based on the recommendations of the CRT with concurrence by the Mayor. This set of awards totals \$1,505,515 and will be matched by \$2,961,190 in community cash, volunteer labor, in-kind professional service and/or donated supplies and materials.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

This legislation creates, funds, or amends a CIP Project.

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This legislation does not have direct financial implications.

The total allocated funding of \$1,505,515 was already appropriated to NMF in the 2015 budget.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a) **Does the legislation have indirect or long-term financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above?**

No

b) **Is there financial cost or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**

By not implementing this legislation, the city would not leverage non-city resources (including cash) valued at almost \$2,961,190 provided by the community for these 19 projects.

c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

Eight of the 19 awarded LPF projects are on City property managed by Seattle Department of Transportation, Seattle Parks and Recreation, and Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS). Each department reviewed the LPF applications, approved the applications, and provided City requirements for project coordination, permitting, maintenance, and/or other expectations.

Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT)

The following LPF projects have been reviewed and approved by SDOT staff including: Howard Wu, Associate Civil Engineer, and John Marek, Supervisor, Traffic Spot Improvements.

| Project | Notes |
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| Cherry Street Urban Rain Garden | The oversight and monitoring of these projects is covered by permitting costs already included in the project budgets. |
| Weedin Place Gateway & Public Space | |
| Melrose Promenade Implementation | |
| Construction Planning for East Howe Steps Plaza | |

Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)

The following LPF projects have been approved by Parks Project Steering Committee. The committee is chaired by Michael Shiosaki, Director, Planning and Development Division and includes the following DPR staff: Christopher Williams, Deputy Superintendent; Amy Williams, Manager, Budget and Administrative Services; Michelle Finnegan, Director, Budget and Administrative Services; Dan Johnson Director, Parks Division; Cheryl Fraser, Director, Regional Parks and Strategic Outreach Division; Gerry Asp, Strategic Advisor, Office of the Superintendent; and Carson Jones, Facilities Maintenance Manager, Parks Division.

| Project | Notes |
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| Activating Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands | DPR has a lease with Seattle Tilth for the Rainier Urban Farm that includes all maintenance costs and liability. |

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| Jimi Hendrix Park: Are You Experienced? Phase 2 | This project supports an existing Parks Opportunity Fund project which includes O&M costs. |
| Seward Park Torii Construction Project | Over the next five years, O&M costs are estimated to be \$2,200-\$2,500 per year. |

Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS)

FAS owns the Central Area Senior Center property. The project has been reviewed and approved by the following FAS staff members: Hillary Hamilton, Real Estate Services Manager; Scott Thomson, Property Management Specialist; and Chris Potter, Facilities Operations Division Director.

| Project | Notes |
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| Central Area Senior Center Planning Options for Facility Redevelopment | This is a planning project and does not have any anticipated O&M costs. |

d) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

e) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No

f) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

Yes

g) Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?

The following are examples of 2015 LPF projects that directly benefit communities of color and historically underrepresented communities and are supportive of the principles of the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative:

| LPF Project | RSJ implications |
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| Activating Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands | Provides access to organic farming, food distribution, and education to low-income community members, youth and communities of color in Rainier Beach. Enhances public open space in the Rainier Beach community. |

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| Jimi Hendrix Park: Are you experienced? Phase 2 | Recognizes an African-American music icon in a historically African-American community. May also encourage park usage and events for African-Americans, youth, musicians and other diverse community members. |
| Rainier Valley Corps | Provides leadership development for emerging leaders of color while also supporting non-profit organizations in Southeast Seattle. This project builds community capacity for individuals and non-profit organizations. |
| Delridge Neighborhoods Cultural Event Series | Provides cultural events to engage diverse community members in Delridge. Event themes will be generated through input from Delridge community members. |
| Central Area Senior Center Planning Options for Facility Redevelopment | Provides opportunity for the African American community, seniors, and families to engage in creating a vision for the future of this senior center. A new CASC plan may ensure that seniors continue to be served in this historic location. |
| Legacy of Justice at Hirabayashi Place | Recognizes a historic Asian-American civil rights icon. Shares the important story of civil rights struggles to current and future generations of residents and visitors to the International District. |
| Jackson Street Workers' Mural | Recognizes the history and legacy of the labor movement and the working class within the historically diverse Central District neighborhood. |

h) If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the long-term and measurable goals of the program? Please describe how this legislation would help achieve the program's desired goals.

NA

i) Other Issues:

None

List attachments below:

Attachment 1: 2015 Large Projects Fund Award Recommendations