

2020 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add a term-limited Planning and Development Specialist and \$125,477 GF to SDCI for SEPA rulemaking and outreach

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No

Primary Sponsor: Abel Pacheco

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Ketil Freeman

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	BH	KS	AP	DJ	MO	SB	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2020 Increase (Decrease)	2021 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$125,477	
Net Balance Effect	\$(125,477)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(125,477)	

Budget Action Description:

The Budget Action adds \$125,477 GF (one-time) and 1.0 term-limited Planning and Development Specialist II position to the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) Government Policy, Safety & Support BCL to develop the Director's Rules to inform State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) analysis authorized in Council Bill 119600. This work product would be similar to New York City's City Environmental Quality Review Technical Manual. The position will also conduct associated community engagement and outreach work. The Council expects that outreach provided pursuant to this action will be culturally appropriate and consistent with the City's language access program.

CB 119600 amended the City's SEPA ordinance to, among other things, modify thresholds above which SEPA review is required, limit the duration of SEPA appeals at the Hearing Examiner to 120-days (the period can be longer with agreement by the parties), and make other changes to implement state-level

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SEPA reform made through E2SHB 1923.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Pocket Adjustments		0	0	SDCI - CI000	SDCI - BO-CI-U2600 - Government Policy, Safety & Support	00100 - General Fund	2020	\$0	\$125,477
2	Pocket Adjustments	Plng&Dev Spec II	1	1	SDCI - CI000	SDCI - BO-CI-U2600 - Government Policy, Safety & Support	00100 - General Fund	2020	\$0	\$0