

2020 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Proviso on \$63,000 in SDCI for updates to green building standards

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: Yes

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	\$0	
Net Balance Effect	\$0	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	

Budget Action Description:

This budget action imposes a proviso on appropriations in the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) Government Policy, Safety and Support BSL. Expenditures subject to the proviso will be limited to use for updates to green building standards administered by SDCI, as follows:

"Of the appropriations in the Government Policy, Safety and Support BSL, \$63,000 is appropriated solely to develop updates to green building standards and green-building incentive programs, which will be proposed to the Council, and may be spent for no other purpose. The Council anticipates that proposed updates will include incentives to use cross-laminated timber as a construction material."

SDCI administers a variety of programs and regulations that require or provide incentives for using green building practices. These programs include incentives for new downtown buildings to meet a United States Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standard, an

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incentive pilot program to meet Living Building Challenge standards, and incentives to develop to the Built Green 4-star standard. These programs and regulations were established at various times and were intended to accomplish somewhat different objectives. A comprehensive review of the programs and regulations will help the Council understand whether the programs should be revised to help the City achieve its overall green building and climate protection objectives.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
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