



# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Legislative Summary

CB 119298

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**Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to the Municipal Art Fund; amending Section 20.32.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to remove the timing limitation on the use of funding.

Date

Notes:

Filed with City Clerk:

Mayor's Signature:

Sponsors: Herbold

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

**Attachments:**

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Filing Requirements/Dept Action:

**History of Legislative File**

Legal Notice Published:

Yes

No

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	Mayor	06/19/2018	Mayor's leg transmitted to Council	City Clerk			
1	City Clerk	06/19/2018	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	<b>Action Text:</b> The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
	<b>Notes:</b>						
1	Council President's Office	06/22/2018	sent for review	Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee			
	<b>Action Text:</b> The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee						
	<b>Notes:</b>						

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- 1 City Council 07/09/2018 referred Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee
- Action Text:** The Council Bill (CB) was referred. to the Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee
- Notes:**
- 1 Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee 07/10/2018 discussed
- Action Text:** The Council Bill (CB) was discussed.
- 1 Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic Development, and Arts Committee 07/24/2018 pass as amended Pass
- Action Text:** The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).
- Notes:**
- In Favor: 2 Chair Herbold, Vice Chair Sawant
- Opposed: 0
- 2 City Council 07/30/2018 passed Pass
- Action Text:** The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Bill:
- Notes:**
- In Favor: 8 Councilmember Bagshaw, Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember Mosqueda, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant
- Opposed: 0
- 2 City Clerk 08/02/2018 submitted for Mayor's signature Mayor
- 2 Mayor 08/03/2018 Signed
- 2 Mayor 08/03/2018 returned City Clerk
- 2 City Clerk 08/03/2018 attested by City Clerk
- Action Text:** The Ordinance (Ord) was attested by City Clerk.
- Notes:**
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CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE 125636

COUNCIL BILL 119298

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Municipal Art Fund; amending Section 20.32.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to remove the timing limitation on the use of funding.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Art Fund (MAF), established as the public art fund for the City, is primarily funded by contributions from the 1% for Art capital program and supports public art installations across the City; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Municipal Code Section 20.32.030 requires the Office of Arts and Culture (ARTS) to return MAF contributions after three years with a possible extension to five years pending agreement from contributing departments; and

WHEREAS, due to the funds expiration urgency, ARTS often develops projects with larger commission amounts to ensure that funds are expended within the three-year window; and

WHEREAS, removal of the expiration timeline would grant ARTS the flexibility to have smaller projects over a longer period to explore programs that allow those traditionally excluded from the process entry into the public art field; and

WHEREAS, ARTS believes this approach will encourage artists of color and emerging artists from other communities to participate more in public art commissions and help these artists build experience and a portfolio for larger award; and

WHEREAS, while departments usually administratively extend funds to meet timelines, it is not required per the Seattle Municipal Code and could put public art at risk after the department has commissioned an artist for design; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

1 Section 1. Section 20.32.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance  
2 124539, is amended as follows:

3 **20.32.030 Funds for works of art**

4 All requests for appropriations for construction projects from eligible funds shall include an  
5 amount equal to one percent of the estimated cost of such project for works of art and shall be  
6 accompanied by a request from the Office of Arts and Culture for authorization to expend such  
7 funds after the same have been deposited in the Municipal Arts Fund. When the City Council  
8 approves any such request, including the one percent for works of art, the appropriation for such  
9 construction project shall be made and the same shall include an appropriation of funds for  
10 works of art, at the rate of one percent of project cost to be deposited into the appropriate account  
11 of the Municipal Arts Fund. Money collected in the Municipal Arts Fund shall be expended by  
12 the Office of Arts and Culture for projects as prescribed by the Municipal Arts Plan, and any  
13 unexpended funds shall be carried over automatically ~~((for a period of three years, and upon  
14 request of the Office of Arts and Culture, carried over for an additional two years. Any funds  
15 carried over for three years, or upon special request for five years, and still unexpended at the  
16 expiration of such period shall be transferred to the General Fund for general art purposes only;  
17 provided, that funds derived from revenue or general obligation bond issues or from utility  
18 revenues or other special purpose or dedicated funds shall revert to the funds from which  
19 appropriated at the expiration of said three or five year period.))~~ in the Municipal Art Fund for  
20 public arts purposes.

21 Section 2. The City Council requests that the Office of Arts and Culture provide a report  
22 to City Council annually from 2018 through 2022 describing:

23 A. New projects public arts funding will support;


1                   B. The size and number of new projects as compared to the size and number of  
2 projects funded since 2015;

3                   C. How the Office of Arts and Culture has conducted outreach and community  
4 engagement, particularly to underrepresented communities and communities of color; and

5                   D. The balance of unprogrammed funds for each year.

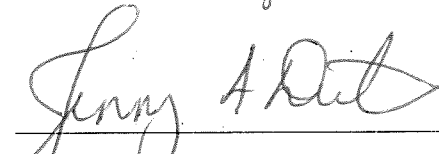
1 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by  
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it  
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018,  
5 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 30<sup>th</sup> day of  
6 July, 2018.

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

9 Approved by me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2018.

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11 Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

12 Filed by me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of AUGUST, 2018.

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14 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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