



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to Broad Street; transferring jurisdiction over the portion of Broad Street between Thomas Street and Taylor Avenue North from the Seattle Department of Transportation to the Seattle Center Department for purposes of constructing, operating, and maintaining a public skate plaza.

Date

Notes:

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Mayor's Signature:

Sponsors: Harrell, Juarez

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

Attachments:

Drafter: denise.wells@seattle.gov

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1	Mayor	07/02/2019	Mayor's leg transmitted to Council	City Clerk			
1	City Clerk	07/02/2019	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
1	Council President's Office	07/02/2019	sent for review	Select Committee on Civic Arenas			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Select Committee on Civic Arenas						
1	City Council	07/08/2019	referred	Select Committee on Civic Arenas			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was referred. to the Select Committee on Civic Arenas						
1	Select Committee on Civic Arenas	07/15/2019	pass				Pass
	Action Text: The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).						

In Favor: 6 Chair Harrell, Chair Juarez, Member Bagshaw, Member González ,
Member Mosqueda, Member Pacheco

Opposed: 0

1 City Council 07/22/2019 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, Councilmember González , Council
President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Mosqueda,
Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Pacheco, Councilmember
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Opposed: 0

1 City Clerk 07/25/2019 submitted for Mayor

Mayor's signature

Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was submitted for Mayor's signature. to the Mayor

1 Mayor 07/26/2019 Signed

Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was Signed.

1 Mayor 07/26/2019 returned City Clerk

Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was returned. to the City Clerk

1 City Clerk 07/26/2019 attested by City Clerk

Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was attested by City Clerk.

CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE 125867

COUNCIL BILL 119566

AN ORDINANCE relating to Broad Street; transferring jurisdiction over the portion of Broad Street between Thomas Street and Taylor Avenue North from the Seattle Department of Transportation to the Seattle Center Department for purposes of constructing, operating, and maintaining a public skate plaza.

WHEREAS, in September 2018 the City Council passed Ordinance 125669, authorizing renovation of KeyArena into a world-class, multi-purpose sports and entertainment arena at Seattle Center, understanding that the existing skatepark would be among the facilities that would be demolished as part of the proposed renovation; and

WHEREAS, the August 2018 Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Seattle Center Arena Renovation Project identified that demolishing the Seattle Center skatepark would be a significant environmental impact, unless the facility were replaced in or near the Uptown urban center; and

WHEREAS, funding was included in the 2019 Adopted and 2020 Endorsed Budget to relocate and replace the Seattle Center skatepark on a portion of the Broad Street right-of-way, subject to a transfer of jurisdiction to allow for the site's long-term use as a skate plaza; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the portion of Broad Street proposed for the skate plaza project was permanently closed to vehicular traffic as part of the Mercer Corridor Project West Phase, and it is not currently required for vehicular transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit organization Skate Like A Girl has been a resident organization of Seattle Center since 2009 and has been a successful partner with The City of Seattle in

1 providing year-round programming to activate the Seattle Center skatepark with
2 recreational opportunities inclusive of youth; and

3 WHEREAS, the transfer of jurisdiction of a portion of Broad Street for constructing, operating,
4 and maintaining a public skate plaza, subject to the conditions in this ordinance, is a
5 desirable public use supported by the Directors of the Department of Transportation and
6 the Seattle Center Department; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

8 Section 1. Subject to the conditions and limitations in Sections 2 through 7 of this
9 ordinance, partial jurisdiction of the portion of Broad Street between Taylor Avenue North and
10 Thomas Street (“Designated Portion”) necessary for constructing, operating, maintaining, and
11 repairing a skate plaza, is transferred, without charge, from the Seattle Department of
12 Transportation (SDOT) to the Seattle Center Department (“Seattle Center”) for purposes of
13 public recreational space.

14 Section 2. Seattle Center shall be responsible for all costs for designing, constructing,
15 operating, and maintaining a skate plaza (including skateable and pedestrian elements) in the
16 Designated Portion (“New Seattle Center Skate Plaza”). Skate plaza elements may include
17 skateable terrain and structural features, site furniture, a roof or other structure to provide
18 overhead weather protection, lights, a drinking fountain, lockers or other storage facilities, public
19 art, bollards, pathways, biofiltration swales, and other vegetation.

20 Section 3. Seattle Center shall be the regulatory authority for planning, constructing, and
21 managing the public skate plaza. SDOT shall be the regulatory authority for all activities
22 affecting existing and future utilities in the Broad Street right-of-way. Granting access within the
23 Designated Portion for repairing, replacing, maintaining, or installing utilities may be permitted

1 by SDOT through its Street Use permit process with Seattle Center as a secondary reviewer.
2 Applications or proposals for adjacent new development or revisions to existing buildings will be
3 reviewed and permitted according to Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI)
4 requirements, with Seattle Center's secondary review and comments being submitted to SDCI.

5 Section 4. In addition to authority conferred to Seattle Center in Section 3 of this
6 ordinance, Title 17 of the Seattle Municipal Code shall apply to the public skate plaza. Further,
7 in addition to the authority conferred to SDOT in Section 3 of this ordinance, Title 15 of the
8 Seattle Municipal Code shall apply to all pedestrian pathways designed for use by the general
9 public.

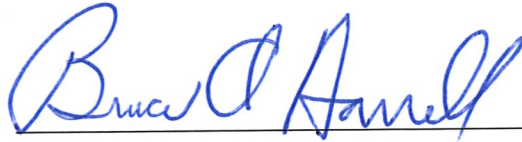
10 Section 5. SDOT and Seattle Center shall work collaboratively to develop one or more
11 pedestrian pathways that facilitate walking as a safe, attractive, and viable travel mode and that
12 meet local, state, and national accessibility requirements. The pedestrian pathways shall be
13 designed for use by the general public not accessing the skateable amenities, shall provide for
14 visibility through the site, and must be accessible to the public at all times.

15 Section 6. SDOT and Seattle Center shall work collaboratively with Seattle City Light
16 (SCL) to provide for vehicular access to and from the SCL substation at Broad and Thomas
17 Streets, known as the "Broad Annex," and shall maintain access for as long as required by SCL.

18 Section 7. SDOT and Seattle Center shall work collaboratively to provide for vehicular
19 access through the skate plaza to provide for alley access and service needs of the block to the
20 north of the skate plaza. The vehicular and service access through the skate plaza shall continue
21 to be provided until access is no longer required, as a result of an alley vacation arising from
22 property redevelopment, or until the SDOT Director determines the alley should be closed for
23 health or safety reasons.

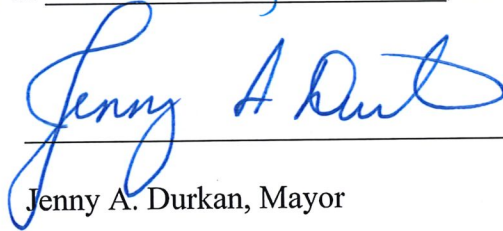
1 Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the 22nd day of July, 2019,
5 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 22nd day of
6 July, 2019.

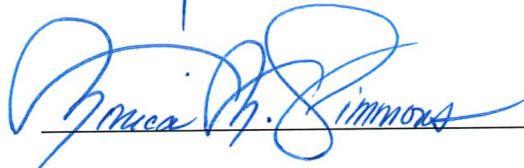
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8 President _____ of the City Council

9 Approved by me this 26th day of July, 2019.

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11 Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

12 Filed by me this 26th day of July, 2019.

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14 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

15 (Seal)

