

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: A RESOLUTION modifying Resolution 31938 and the March 14, 2020 emergency order relating to residential evictions.

Summary and Background of the Legislation: This resolution would further modify the emergency order issued on March 14, 2020, which the Council modified and affirmed through Resolution 31938. The new modification achieved through this resolution would continue the moratorium on residential evictions until the termination of the COVID civil emergency, which was proclaimed on March 3, 2020 and affirmed and modified by the Council through Resolution 31937. The moratorium on residential evictions will currently expire on February 28, 2022.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? Yes No

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete the table below.

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs? No

Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Continuing to maintain a moratorium on evictions, unless due to actions by the tenant constituting an imminent threat to the health and safety of certain persons, is necessary to protect public health and support stable housing, decrease the likelihood that individuals and families will fall into homelessness, enable tenants in the City whose income and ability to work is affected due to COVID-19 to remain in their homes; and decrease the likelihood that individuals and families will increase the risk of exposure for themselves or others due to an eviction while the COVID-19 emergency exists.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?** The resolution modifies a civil emergency order issued by the Mayor and modified and affirmed by the Council on March 16, 2020 through Resolution 31938. The civil emergency order

requests that the Sheriff of King County cease execution of eviction orders during the moratorium.

- b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?** No
- c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?** Publication of the notice is not required but section 3 of the civil emergency order asserts that efforts will be made to disseminate this civil emergency order as widely as possible for the public.
- d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?** No
- e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?**
This resolution would continue the eviction moratorium until the termination of the COVID civil emergency. The September 2018 Seattle Women’s Commission and the King County Bar Association’s report *Losing Home: The Human Cost of Eviction in Seattle* found that the most disadvantaged groups face the highest likelihood of eviction. As a result, it is likely that historically disadvantaged communities will disproportionately benefit from continuation of the moratorium.
- f. Climate Change Implications**
 - 1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?** No
 - 2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle’s resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.** No
- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program’s desired goal(s)?** Not applicable.

Summary Attachments: