

Budget Hearing Parking Enforcement Officers

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Issue Identification

1. Parking Enforcement Officers

Should the Council approve the Mayor's request to move PEOs from SDOT back to SPD?

The \$20 million transfer of PEOs to SPD is comprised of three financial transactions:

- \$18.1 million and 123 FTE to transfer of the PEO unit (salary and benefits);
- \$1.1 million for a transfer of citywide charges for central costs (FAS facilities and fleet services, ITD computers and tech infrastructure and SDHR employment services related to PEOs); and
- \$829,000 for a transfer of PEO unit overtime for parking enforcement and special events.



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• Because of differences in how SDOT and SPD recover overhead, the cost to the General Fund would increase by \$8.3 million if the division remained in SDOT.

Fund	2023 Costs	2023 Costs	Change
	without PEOs	with PEOs	
General Fund	\$14,686	\$23,026	\$8,341
Transportation Fund	\$46,517	\$41,572	(\$4,945)
Move Seattle Levy Fund	\$19,302	\$17,250	(\$2,052)
Transportation Benefit District Fund	\$6,010	\$5,371	(\$639)
REET II Capital Fund	\$2,123	\$1,897	(\$226)
School Safety Traffic and Pedestrian Improvement Fund	\$1,926	\$1,721	(\$205)
Waterfront LID #6751	\$772	\$690	(\$82)
REET I Capital Fund	\$542	\$485	(\$58)
Central Waterfront Improvement Fund	\$484	\$432	(\$51)
Seattle Streetcar Operations	\$358	\$320	(\$38)
Payroll Expense Tax	\$326	\$292	(\$35)
2023 LTGO Taxable Bond Fund	\$50	\$45	(\$5)
2023 Multipurpose LTGO Bond Fund	\$42	\$38	(\$4)
Total Indirect Cost Allocation	\$93,138	\$93,138	-



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Moving PEOs to SPD would:

- Allow PEOs to reach on their handheld computers the Washington State Patrol's ACCESS system, which provides real time information about vehicle licenses, stolen vehicles, and other information such as warnings, watches and emergency situations.
- SPD staff indicate that event planning and field operations would be more efficient under SPD command.
- SPD staff indicate that citizen complaint system for PEOs would be more transparent/ accessible if housed at the Office of Police Accountability.

Options:

- A. Retain the Parking Enforcement Division in SDOT; this option requires \$8.3 million of General Fund to fully staff the division.
- B. Redirect the transfer of the Parking Enforcement Division to the CSCC; the CSCC is a relatively new department established in the 2021 Adopted Budget, and may have limited capacity to manage a new function. Some above noted efficiencies would not be reached.
- C. No Change

Questions?



Budget Timeline | FALL 2022

