

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: AN ORDINANCE relating to the Department of Parks and Recreation; accepting an easement from and entering into a Maintenance Agreement with Seattle Children's Hospital, a Washington nonprofit corporation, as a condition of the public benefit requirement for the street vacation of portions of 41st Avenue NE and a portion of NE 46th Street petition approval contained in Clerk File 309690.

Summary and background of the Legislation: This legislation is part of a cooperative effort between the City of Seattle ("City") and Seattle Children's Hospital ("Children's") to provide a public benefit in return for granting a street vacation. City approval of the street vacation is conditioned, in part, on Children's Hospital providing a trail connection from the Burke-Gilman Trail across Children's property ("Hartmann Property") to Sand Point Way NE. The newly acquired trail connection and associated rights will expand the public space and access adjacent to the Burke-Gilman Trail at no cost to the City. Children's, or its successor, will also improve and maintain portions of City property immediately surrounding the intersection of the trail connection and the Burke-Gilman Trail. A Trail Easement Agreement and a Maintenance Agreement, Attachments 1 and 3 to the ordinance, are the governing documents and they define the location, space, conditions and terms of Children's maintenance responsibilities. The pending street vacation ordinance will be approved after the Easement and Maintenance Agreements have been accepted through a separate City Council action.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes X No

b. 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?
The City will receive a newly installed trail connection and landscaping on City property, to be maintained at no cost to the City. The annual savings in maintenance costs is estimated at \$2,426 initially and is predicted to escalate annually over time.

c. Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Yes. This would delay or prevent a pending street vacation action and improvements already made by Children's to the connection trail could be subject to removal. The City would not receive free maintenance of the trail.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

Yes, Seattle Department of Transportation, since this is a public benefit condition issued by the City Council in exchange for a street vacation.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

c. Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?

No, except for specific terms as specified in the Easement Agreement if and when Children's decides to sell the Hartmann property.

d. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No

e. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

Yes, a map is included as Summary Attachment 1.

f. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? Although located in an affluent part of the City, the connection trail will provide a safe, alternative path from the Burke-Gilman Trail to a major regional medical facility that specializes in treating children, some with serious and complex conditions. The Burke-Gilman Trail is heavily used by pedestrians and cyclists and provides an alternate transportation corridor for those who may not have access to a motor vehicle and depend on cycling for transportation as well as recreational users. The connection trail has been improved to provide greater access to the general public.

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).

N/A.

List attachments/exhibits below:

Summary Attachment 1 – Depiction of Easement Area