

## 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 Finance and Administrative Services; authorizing the Director of the Department of Finance and Administrative Services or the Director's designee to negotiate and execute a real property lease with the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority for vacant land at 1000 NE 45th Street, Seattle, WA; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

#### **Summary and background of the Legislation:**

This legislation authorizes negotiating and executing a real property lease with the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) for creating and subsequently operating a transitional encampment, commonly called a tiny home village, until May 31, 2024. Because the parcel is greater than 18,000 square feet, legislative authorization of the lease is required. The legislation ratifies and confirms actions consistent with the authority it provides in anticipation that the City or its contracted service provider would be permitted access to the property prior to the effective date of the ordinance but after passage. It is currently anticipated that the property would accommodate 38 tiny home structures, though that number has varied during the planning process.

### **2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?**      \_\_\_ Yes X No

### **3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget?**      \_\_\_ Yes X No

**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.

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

Not implementing the legislation would reduce the availability of emergency housing options for those experiencing homelessness or require the City to locate another property to establish and operate a tiny home village.

#### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
This legislation will affect the Human Services Department (“HSD”), which manages the operating budget and oversees the Master Service Agreement and Project Services Agreement/Contract for the agency that will operate the site and provide social services to those experiencing homelessness. HSD supports this legislation.
- b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
The SEPA review process has been completed for the land use permitting and a community meeting was held.
- c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**  
No notice of legislation is required to be placed with these publications.
- d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
This legislation affects a piece of real property owned by Sound Transit. A site plan is attached.
- 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 legislation supports the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative because it would increase temporary emergency housing options for people experiencing homelessness. Black, indigenous, and other communities of color and other disadvantaged communities disproportionately experience homelessness. People experiencing homelessness typically express interest in a tiny home village option over other shelter. No change in the language access plan for any communications to the public is expected.
- f. Climate Change Implications**
- 1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?**  
It is not anticipated that carbon emissions will change in any material way.
  - 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.**  
There will be no impact to the ability of the City to adapt to climate change.
- 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)?**  
This legislation will help expand the City’s portfolio of tiny home villages. Enhanced shelter programs, including tiny home villages, provide protection from exposure and other vulnerabilities stemming from experiencing unsheltered homelessness and can contribute to a

household locating permanent housing. This legislation would allow for approximately 38 tiny home units on the Sound Transit property.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**