

2022 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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Budget Action Title: Add \$1 million GF to FG Reserves for two permanent public toilets, and add \$400,000 GF to SPU for temporary portable toilets

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

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Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	BC	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2022 Increase (Decrease)	2023 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$1,400,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(1,400,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(1,400,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$1 million to Finance General (FG) Reserves for the creation of two permanent public toilets in areas of the city with the highest concentration of neighbors living unhoused, and it would also add \$400,000 GF to Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) for the temporary deployment of additional portable toilets.

Adding \$1 million to FG Reserves would allow Executive departments time to form an interdepartmental team to coordinate acquisition, siting, design, and installation of the new permanent publicly accessible toilets. In addition to those elements, the Executive will need to determine which department would be responsible for maintenance and cleaning of the new facilities.

One example of a publicly accessible toilet installed by the City recently is the Portland Loo-type

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bathroom in Ballard Commons Park. This bathroom was funded by the Council in the 2017 Adopted Budget and involved the collaboration of Seattle Parks and Recreation and the Department of Finance and Administrative Services.

The Council requests that the Executive form an interdepartmental team to create an implementation plan for two new permanent public toilets to be deployed by the City and made available to the public in 2022. The Council requests that the Executive provide a written status report or a presentation to the Council's Select Committee on Homelessness Strategies and Investments, or its successor committee, by June 1, 2022.

The \$400,000 is for SPU to deploy approximately 20 additional portable toilets during the six-month period while the interdepartmental team is determining how to deploy the permanent public toilets. The 2022 Proposed Budget includes funding to support 21 hygiene stations, which consist of two portable toilets and a handwashing station.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increase appropriations to create a FG Reserve for the installation of permanent public toilets		0	0	FG - FG000	FG - BO-FG-2QD00 - General Purpose	00100 - General Fund	2022	\$0	\$1,000,000
2	Increase appropriations for temporary portable toilets		0	0	SPU - SU000	SPU - BO-SU-N200B - Utility Service and Operations	00100 - General Fund	2022	\$0	\$400,000