



# **AQUARIUM OCEAN PAVILION FUNDING AGREEMENT**

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CIVIC DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC ASSETS AND  
NATIVE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



**Seattle**

Office of the Waterfront  
and Civic Projects

# TODAY'S AGENDA



- City and Aquarium Partnership
- Legislative background
- Seattle Aquarium and Ocean Pavilion Project Overview
- Overview of Proposed Ordinance
- Timeline

# CITY AND AQUARIUM PARTNERSHIP GOALS



- Collaborative design complementing the overall Waterfront Seattle vision
- Aligned design and construction schedules to maximize opportunities for meaningful coordination
- Increased vibrancy of public spaces and seamless design of the pedestrian realm
- Commitment to cost-effectiveness, with rigorous cost-control management
- Continue long-standing successful partnership between Seattle Parks Department and Seattle Aquarium



# BACKGROUND



Year	Action	Purpose
2008	Resolution 31080	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stated future Aquarium development should be consistent with Central Waterfront Master Plan and acknowledged City resources</li> </ul>
2009	Ordinance 123205	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorized transition of Aquarium operations and maintenance from Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) to Seattle Aquarium Society (SEAS)</li> </ul>
2012	Resolution 31399	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encouraged partnerships with Pike Place Market and Aquarium to integrate expansions into Waterfront Concept Design</li> </ul>
2013	Ordinance 124121	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorized execution of MOU to guide renovation and expansion of Seattle Aquarium between City and SEAS</li> </ul>
2015	Ordinance 124908	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amended MOU to increase City spending cap from \$1 million to \$1.8 million</li> </ul>
2015	Resolution 31603	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved SEAS Master Plan and potential on-land Aquarium expansion</li> </ul>
2017	Ordinance 125422	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amended MOU to support Aquarium advancement of Ocean Pavilion through schematic design</li> </ul>
2018	Ordinance 125630	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replaced previous MOUs; increased maximum design funding to \$4.7M for further design of the Ocean Pavilion. Set forth conditions of a future Project Development Agreement</li> </ul>

# CURRENT DESIGN







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# PROPOSED ORDINANCE



- Authorizes a Funding Agreement between the City and SEAS:
  - City contribution maximum of \$34 million
  - SEAS accepts responsibility for cost overruns
- SEAS commits to provide public waterfront-related elements:
  - Rooftop public open space
  - Public elevator and stairs from rooftop to street-level
  - Stairs along west side of Ocean Pavilion
- City design review and approval required
- Authorizes OWCP and Parks to negotiate a construction agreement with SEAS
  - Construction contracts to include City social and labor equity provisions
- Continues commitments to close coordination and collaboration



# TIMELINE



## 2019

- Continued design development (both projects)
- Funding Agreement submitted for Council consideration

## 2020

- Complete Design
- Develop Construction Agreement

## 2021/22

- Anticipated construction start



**QUESTIONS?**