

2016 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Eliminate 2 Park Rangers and Reduce \$150,954 GSF appropriation in DPR

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Councilmembers: Budget Committee

Staff Analyst: Traci Ratzliff

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	SB	BH	JO	TR	NL	TB	JG	MO	KS
	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2015 Increase (Decrease)	2016 Increase (Decrease)
General Subfund		
General Subfund Revenues	\$0	\$0
General Subfund Expenditures	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$150,954)</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$150,954
Other Funds		
Park and Recreation Fund (10200)		
Revenues	\$0	(\$150,954)
Expenditures	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$150,954)</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	\$150,954

Budget Action description:

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This green sheet eliminates two Park Ranger positions and reduces GSF support to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) by \$150,954. This leaves five full time and two part time Park Rangers at DPR. GSF savings will be used to fund other Council priorities.

Background

The Park Ranger program began in 2008. The original goals of the program included: deter negative behavior in the parks, serve as ambassadors to the City, build relationships with and provide assistance to park visitors, support human services organizations assisting people in need of help; and issue trespass warnings and exclusions as needed. There are many different efforts that have been implemented in recent years to accomplish the same or similar goals, including: increased police emphasis patrols, the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program, the Multi-Disciplinary Outreach Team, and the Downtown Business Association's Activation and Programming of downtown parks. Council believes that these efforts which also require significant General Subfund support are better poised to achieve the desired goals than the Park Ranger program. Therefore, the Council is proposing to begin to reduce the Park Ranger program in favor of supporting these other ongoing efforts.

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Budget Action Transactions

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#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Reduce GSF support for Park Rangers				FG	Parks and Recreation Fund	Q5971020	00100	2016		(\$150,954)
2	Reduce Revenue support for Park Rangers				DPR	General Subfund Support	587001	10200	2016	(\$150,954)	
3	Reduce Appropriation for Park Rangers	Park Ranger - FT	-2	-2	DPR	Facility and Structure Maintenance	K320A	10200	2016		(\$150,954)