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**Budget Action Title:** Add \$10,000 GSF to Finance General reserve to increase the stipend for the

Police Intelligence Auditor

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Councilmembers: Harrell; Licata; O'Brien

Staff Analyst: Rebecca Herzfeld

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	SB	ВН	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>\$10,000</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	(\$10,000)
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	(\$10,000)

## **Budget Action description:**

This budget action would add \$10,000 GSF to the Finance General (FG) Recurring Reserve-Shooting Review Board Civilian to increase the annual stipend for the Police Intelligence Auditor. This reserve is currently funded at \$5,000, and the additional amount would bring the total to \$15,000. This budget action also

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requests that that name of the reserve be changed to "Recurring Reserve – Police Intelligence Auditor" to accurately reflect the purpose of these funds.

## **Background**

In 1979, the Council passed Ordinance 108333 (the Police Intelligence Ordinance) which established policies to govern the collection and recording of information by Seattle Police Department (SPD) personnel. It provides that SPD may collect and record information for law enforcement purposes while ensuring that law enforcement activities do not unreasonably infringe upon individual rights, liberties, and freedoms protected by either the United States Constitution or the Washington State Constitution.

The Police Intelligence Ordinance created an Auditor position that is appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council to ensure that the SPD complies with the collection, storage, and purge provisions of the legislation. The Auditor role is to conduct semi-annual audits that include review of random files, looking at authorizations, checking purge logs, and writing reports that document the audit process and any findings. The funds in the recurring reserve are to cover the costs of this work. For at least ten years, the Police Intelligence Auditor position has been filled by a retired college professor who has worked pro bono. However, the City cannot assume that this volunteer effort will continue indefinitely.

Councilmember Harrell, as chair of the Public Safety, Civil Rights, and Technology Committee, has prepared legislation that would update the Municipal Code provisions that relate to the Auditor's role and duties. It would modernize the definitions section, add new qualifications and responsibilities for the Auditor, and provide direction about the standard contents of semi-annual audit reports. SPD is currently reviewing the draft bill and may propose additional amendments. Because of this planned legislative update, it is appropriate to increase the annual stipend funding amount to reflect the expected new role of the Police Intelligence Auditor.

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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	Increase appropriations in the FG "Recurring Reserve- Shooting Review Board Civilian", and change the name of the reserve to "Recurring Reserve - Police Intelligence Auditor"				FG	Reserves	2QD00	00100	2016		\$10,000