

1 **Herbold Substitute Version D2 to Council Bill 118618**

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CITY OF SEATTLE

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ORDINANCE _____

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COUNCIL BILL _____

6 **..title**

7 AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle bike share program; authorizing a partial removal of the
8 proviso included in 2016 budget Green Sheet 93-1-A-1; and ratifying and confirming
9 certain prior acts.

10 **..body**

11 WHEREAS, bike share has been transformative in more than 500 cities on five continents and in

12 90 municipalities in the United States, operating under a variety of ownership models,

13 from wholly publicly-owned, to wholly privately-owned as in San Francisco, New York

14 City, and Miami Beach; and

15 WHEREAS, the non-profit company, Puget Sound Bike Share, doing business as Pronto,

16 launched bike share in Seattle in October 2014; and

17 WHEREAS 34,000 individuals have taken more than 160,000 trips on the 54-station, 500-

18 bicycle system; and

19 WHEREAS, The City of Seattle's 2016 budget included a \$5,000,000 appropriation from Seattle

20 Department of Transportation (SDOT) street use fee revenue to be used to expand bike

21 share; and

22 WHEREAS, the City Council, in Green Sheet 93-1-A-1, imposed a proviso on the use of those

23 funds for the expansion of bike share; and

24 WHEREAS, the City Council requested a business plan including a financial analysis and

25 information on long-term operations, implementation, and spending before granting such

26 authority; and

27 WHEREAS, the existing bike share system is currently insolvent and may cease operations; and

1 WHEREAS, the City Council supports the wholly privately-owned bike share model, which
2 would not require the use of public funds; and

3 WHEREAS, the City received a Federal Transit Administration grant for bike share that would
4 have to be repaid unless the City is able to transfer the grant asset to another jurisdiction;

5 NOW, THEREFORE,

6 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

7 Section 1. The Seattle Department of Transportation is granted a partial lift of the proviso
8 in Green Sheet 93-1-A-1, part of The City of Seattle’s 2016 budget, to satisfy the City’s
9 obligation on the Federal Transit Administration Grant for bike share and repay up to \$1,000,000
10 of grant funds in the event that Pronto bike share ceases operations.

11 Section 2. The remainder of the funds, totaling \$4,000,000 remains under proviso.
12 Council anticipates that these funds may be appropriated in a future budget action to support
13 other bicycle and pedestrian projects.

14 Section 3. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage
15 and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

16 Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
17 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
18 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

19 Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2016, and
20 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this
21 ____ day of _____, 2016.

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President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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