2019 - 2020 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

Ready for Notebook

Tab	Action	Option	Version		
33	8	С	1		

Budget Action Title: Amend CB 119386, SDCI's Fee Ordinance, add 3 FTE Inspectors, and

appropriate \$457,000 in 2019 and \$483,000 in 2020 from SDCI fund balance

to expand the Vacant Building Monitoring Program

Ongoing: Yes

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Primary Sponsor: Herbold, Lisa

Councilmembers: Harrell; O'Brien

Staff Analyst: Ketil Freeman

Council Bill or Resolution: 119386

Date	Total	ВС	SB	TM	LG	ВН	LH	RJ	DJ	MO	KS
	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2019 Increase (Decrease)	2020 Increase (Decrease)
General Subfund		
General Subfund Revenues	\$0	\$0
General Subfund Expenditures	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
Other Funds		
Construction and Inspections Fund		
Revenues	\$316,300	\$421,730
<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>\$457,000</u>	<u>\$483,000</u>
Net Balance Effect	(\$140,700)	(\$61,270)
Total Budget Balance Effect	(\$140,700)	(\$61,270)

Budget Action description:

This green sheet would amend CB 119386, the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections' Fee Ordinance, to increase fees for an enhanced Vacant Building Monitoring Program (VBMP). This green sheet would also add \$457,000 and three new inspector positions in 2019 and \$483,000 in 2020 for an enhanced

Tab	Action	Option	Version		
33	8	С	1		

VBMP, and provide appropriation authority from SDCI operating fund balance for initial start-up costs, including three vehicle purchases. Appropriations in 2019 assume nine months of program operation and \$105,000 for vehicle purchases.

Amendments to CB 119386 are shown below. Amendments are shown in <u>double underline or strikethrough</u>. Section 15. Section 22.900F.010 of the Seattle Municipal <u>Code</u>, <u>last</u> amended by Ordinance 125451, is amended as follows:

22.900F.010 Monitoring vacant buildings

* * *

Table F-1 for 22.900F.010—Monitoring Vacant Buildings							
Condition of Premises	Fee						
<u>Initial Enrollment Fee</u>	<u>\$2056.00</u>						
Building is closed to entry and premises are in compliance with applicable codes.	((\$253.80)) \$261.40						
Building is closed to entry and premises are not in compliance with applicable codes.	((\$ 422.30)) <u>\$435</u>						
Building is not closed to entry regardless of compliance with applicable codes.	((\$506.55)) <u>\$521.75</u>						

* * *

Background

Since 2013 complaints related to vacant buildings have increased by 64 percent. The proposal would provide resources in SDCI for the Code Compliance division to enhance the existing Vacant Building Monitoring Program. The Vacant Building Monitoring Program is a program authorized under the Housing and Building Maintenance Code. Under that program hazardous and nuisance vacant properties are regularly inspected and abated. Changes to the program would include amending the Seattle Municipal Code and implementing regulations to establish triggering events for enrollment or registration in the program, strengthening minimum standards for vacant buildings, establishing a fee to cover the cost of the program, and penalties for ongoing failure to correct violations, while minimizing costs to owners when buildings are well maintained. Staff will identify the resources needed to implement an enhanced program in 2019; moving forward the program would be supported by program fees.

Tab	Action	Option	Version		
33	8	С	1		

Budget Action Transactions

Budget Action Title: Amend CB 119386, SDCI's Fee Ordinance, add 3 FTE Inspectors, and appropriate \$457,000 in 2019 and \$483,000 in 2020 from SDCI fund balance to expand the Vacant Building Monitoring Program

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increase revenue from SDCI's fund balance for 3 FTE Inspectors and onetime costs for enhanced VBMP				SDCI	Use of (Contribution To) Fund Balance	379100	48100	2019	\$457,000	
2	Increase appropriation for 3 FTE Inspectors for VBMP	Housing/Zoning Inspector - FT	3	3	SDCI	Compliance	BO-CI- U2400	48100	2019		\$352,000
3	Increase appropriation for vehicle purchases				SDCI	Compliance	BO-CI- U2400	48100	2019		\$105,000
4	Increase revenue from SDCI's fund balance for enhanced VBMP staffing and operations				SDCI	Use of (Contribution To) Fund Balance	379100	48100	2020	\$483,000	
5	Increase appropriation for enhanced VBMP				SDCI	Compliance	BO-CI- U2400	48100	2020		\$483,000
6	Increase revenue from new VBMP Fee				SDCI	Other Miscellaneous Revenues	360900	48100	2019	\$316,300	
7	Contribute new revenue to Fund Balance				SDCI	Use of (Contribution To) Fund Balance	379100	48100	2019	(\$316,300)	
8	Increase revenue from new VBMP Fee				SDCI	Other Miscellaneous Revenues	360900	48100	2020	\$421,730	
9	Contribute new revenue to Fund Balance				SDCI	Use of (Contribution To) Fund Balance	379100	48100	2020	(\$421,730)	