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Monitoring and inspection of those buildings would end after three months, if those buildings meet HBMC requirements.

Position authority for additional inspectors and increased fees to address program costs are set out in green sheet 33-8-E-2.

Prior to changes to the program taking effect on June 1, 2019, the Council intends to consider further regulatory and business practice changes to the Vacant Building Monitoring Program and provide additional budget authority for program implementation. These include, but are not limited to: (1) promoting a caretaker model under which a vacant building could be exempt from monitoring if it is occupied by a caretaker, such as a participant from Weld Seattle; (2) exploring ways to incentivize continued occupancy for buildings on properties planned for redevelopment; and (3) adding additional position and appropriation authority, if necessary, for inspectors and other program costs.

The Council may consider additional budget authority through a quarterly supplemental budget bill or a stand-alone bill.