

2020 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add \$1,075,000 GF to OPCD to support Central Area community development

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No

Primary Sponsor: Kshama Sawant

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Lish Whitson

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	BH	KS	AP	DJ	MO	SB	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2020 Increase (Decrease)	2021 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$1,075,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(1,075,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(1,075,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This budget action adds \$1,075,000 to the Office of Planning and Community Development's (OPCD's) Equitable Development Initiative (EDI) to support community development efforts in the Central Area. The funds will be used to contract with a non-profit community organization in the Central Area, such as the Black Dollar Days Task Force (BDDTF), to build capacity, provide technical assistance, and support community organizing to help Black churches and cultural institutions in the Central Area assess and develop plans for transforming their vacant and underutilized properties into mixed-use buildings, affordable housing, small business retail, social service, and cultural community spaces. Predevelopment, acquisition, and construction funds will be utilized to further develop the plans.

The non-profit awarded this contract will partner with black churches as well as cultural and educational institutions in the Central Area in order to: prevent residential, commercial, and community displacement; advance economic opportunities; build on local community assets; develop healthy and safe

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neighborhoods that are culturally relevant; and provide equitable access to the Central Area.

Background

The 2020 proposed budget includes \$5.5 million for the EDI to allocate through a competitive grant process which includes review and ranking of proposals by City staff and an Equitable Development Interim Advisory Board. In 2019, this process awarded grants to ten projects across the city. In 2019, the program awarded grants and technical assistance to ten community-based organizations. In 2020, OPCD plans to prepare a Racial Equity Toolkit on their current grant-making criteria and process, to identify ways to improve the program.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add funding to OPCD to support Central Area community development		0	0	OPCD - PC000	OPCD - BO-PC-X2P00 - Planning and Community Development	00100 - General Fund	2020	\$0	\$1,075,000