

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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Budget Action Title: Impose a proviso on \$1,650,000 one-time Emergency Solutions Grant funds in HSD for a temporary tiny home village

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: Yes

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

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Council Bill or Resolution:

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Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would impose a proviso on \$1,650,000 of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in the Human Services Department's (HSD's) 2021 budget. The proviso would restrict \$1.65 million of these one-time funds, which includes \$750,000 in startup funding, to be used to create a temporary tiny home village in Northeast Seattle on land previously used for staging by Sound Transit while planning is undertaken to build affordable housing at the location. The 2021 Proposed Budget includes \$23,485,000 in ESG funds, using \$13,833,000 to lease hotel rooms for non-congregate shelter, \$8,965,000 for rapid re-housing, and \$687,000 for homeless diversion. Some portion of this allocation would be reduced in order to support this proposal for a temporary tiny home village. Federal guidance unique to this round of ESG funding allows for up to \$2,500,000 to be used for the acquisition of facilities for emergency shelter. Normally, ESG could not be used for the startup of a tiny home villages.

This action would impose the following proviso:

"Of the Emergency Solutions Grant appropriations in the Human Services Department's 2021 Budget for the Addressing Homelessness Budget Summary Level (HSD-BO-HS-H3000) in the Human Services Fund (16200), \$1,650,000 is appropriated solely to establish and operate a new tiny home village, and may be spent for no other purpose."