

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add \$140,000 GF to OSE for the Climate Policy Advisor position

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

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Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	BC	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2021 Increase (Decrease)	2022 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$140,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(140,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(140,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$140,000 GF to the Office of Sustainability and Environment (OSE) for the Climate Policy Advisor position (1.0 FTE Strategic Advisor 2). This position is not funded in the 2021 Proposed Budget.

The Climate Policy Advisor oversees implementation of the Climate Action Plan and measures progress towards its goals. Additionally, this position is responsible for developing and implementing a Climate Impact Assessment Toolkit (Executive Order 2018-01), creating policies to support green jobs as part of the economic recovery, evaluating racial equity impacts of building decarbonization, and establishing Building Performance Standards.

In September 2020, the Council adopted Resolution 31933, which will add a required assessment of

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potential climate impacts and climate resilience to the City's Summary and Fiscal Note that accompanies all legislation beginning on January 1, 2021. This climate-related analysis is intended to be informed by the more thorough quantitative and qualitative greenhouse gas emissions evaluation that will be required by the Climate Impact Assessment Toolkit for major capital projects and purchasing decisions. Initial work on the toolkit continued through early 2019, but progress has since been stalled due to staff turnover. With this funding, OSE would be expected to move forward with finalizing development of the toolkit and a pilot testing phase with select departments.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add GF support for Climate Policy Advisor (1.0 FTE Strategic Advisor 2) FICA		0	0	OSE - SE000	OSE - BO-SE-X1000 - Office of Sustainability and Environment	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$7,000
2	Add GF support for Climate Policy Advisor (1.0 FTE Strategic Advisor 2) Medicare		0	0	OSE - SE000	OSE - BO-SE-X1000 - Office of Sustainability and Environment	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$1,600
3	Add GF support for Climate Policy Advisor (1.0 FTE Strategic Advisor 2) pension		0	0	OSE - SE000	OSE - BO-SE-X1000 - Office of Sustainability and Environment	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$18,700
4	Add GF support for Climate Policy Advisor (1.0 FTE Strategic Advisor 2) salary		0	0	OSE - SE000	OSE - BO-SE-X1000 - Office of Sustainability and Environment	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$112,700