

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of City Light to execute an Interlocal Agreement for the transfer of real property from Skagit County to The City of Seattle, to execute conveyance documents and agreements deemed necessary for the transfer of the property on behalf of The City of Seattle, and to accept the Quit Claim Deed from Skagit County for such property; and placing the conveyed property under the jurisdiction of City Light as part of its Endangered Species Act Land Program.

Summary and background of the Legislation: This legislation authorizes the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of City Light to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County for the acquisition of a parcel of land and acceptance of the Quit Claim Deed from Skagit County for the property. The property is being donated by Skagit County; no City funds were spent acquiring the property. The property will be placed under City Light’s Endangered Species Act (“ESA”) Early Action Program under the authority of Ordinance 121114. Both the Program and Ordinance stated criteria by which the City committed to assist in threatened species recovery and these properties meet the criteria by protecting salmonid habitat. This legislation places the acquired property under the jurisdiction of City Light.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? Yes No

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?
The property acquired under this legislation will require monitoring to protect current habitat conditions. This will be done in conjunction with the monitoring of existing adjacent City Light habitat properties. A land management plan was developed for the ESA Lands and sufficient funding has been set aside for both management and monitoring of these properties. Grant funds are pursued as needed to maintain or improve habitat conditions.

Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Yes, by accepting ownership of this donated property from Skagit County, it allows City Light to control uses and actions that will occur on the property. As this property is adjacent to other City Light fish and wildlife habitat protection lands, City Light can actively steward the property for better habitat conditions and prevent harm to the habitat on adjacent City Light lands. Example: if there are invasive weeds on the lot to be donated, if in City Light ownership, the invasive weeds can be removed before they spread to other City Light lands, decreasing overall stewardship costs and protecting habitat.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

No.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No.

c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No. However, pursuant to RCW 39.34, the executed Interlocal Agreement must either be filed with the King County or Skagit County Auditor or posted on City Light's external website or other electronically retrievable public source.

d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

Yes, see attachment listed below.

e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?

Not applicable. As the current owner, Skagit County does not have anyone living on the property.

f. Climate Change Implications

1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?

No, the legislation would have no net impact to carbon emissions. While the property will be reforested, at less than one half acre in size, the ability of mature trees to capture carbon will not be large enough to be measurable.

2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.

No, the acquisition of this property will not impact Seattle's resiliency for two reasons. First, the property is located in Skagit County. Second, as stated above, the small size of the property is unlikely to affect resiliency in a material way.

- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)?**

Not applicable.

List attachments/exhibits below:

Summary Att 1 – Map of Parcel Property