

Summary of Proposed Amendments to Council Bill 120093 - 2021 Federal ARPA Funds Finance & Housing Committee June 15, 2021

#	Sponsor and Author	Short Description	Effect
1	Sponsor: Mosqueda	Modify the intent language to clarify the language regarding partnering with CBOs	This amendment would modify the intent language included in Section 8 of CB 120093 to describe the priority more clearly to partner with community-based organizations whose staff and board composition reflect the community they serve.
2	Author: Morales Sponsor: Herbold	Modify appropriations to the Office of Economic Development for economic recovery and associated intent language and impose two provisos	This amendment would establish the following breakdown of the proposed \$22 million for economic recovery: business and non-profit grants (\$7.5 million); investments in commercial affordability (\$2 million); technical assistance (\$2 million); and recovery grants to neighborhood and Downtown organizations (\$7.5 million; \$5.5 million for neighborhoods and \$2 million for Downtown). It would amend the associated intent language to focus technical assistance on lease- and landlord-related issues, and clarify that recovery grants should be used to support neighborhood and business organizations that suffered financial hardship due to the pandemic.
			It would shift the remaining \$3 million from the Office of Economic Development to the Office of Arts and Culture to support arts and cultural organizations and businesses ("the creative sector"); and add a recital regarding the economic impacts of the pandemic on this sector.
			Additionally, the amendment would impose two provisos on funding for recovery grants: the first would limit the total amount for Downtown to \$2 million, and the second would limit the amount for neighborhoods to \$5.5 million. Both provisos would require that OED prioritize these grants for equity districts and neighborhood and business organizations that suffered financial hardship due to the pandemic.

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3	Sponsor: Herbold Co-sponsor: Mosqueda	Modify intent language regarding future spending on Keep Moving Streets.	This amendment expresses Council's intent to provide funding through future appropriations to the Department of Transportation to conduct community outreach and provide capital resources needed to make Keep Moving Streets permanent. Keep Moving Streets are streets adjacent to major parks that are closed to people driving and open to recreate safely (walk, bike, and play.) In 2020, the areas where the City opened Keep Moving Streets included Alki Point, Green Lake, Lake Washington Boulevard, and Golden Gardens.
			Currently, Golden Gardens Dr NW is not an active Keep Moving Street. Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) observed crowding and mask-noncompliance at Golden Gardens Park during the recent warm, sunny weekend, and are considering closing the parking lots and reopening Golden Gardens Dr NW to people walking. Regular communication between SDOT and SPR will determine whether to move forward with this Keep Moving Street.
4	Sponsor: Herbold	Modify intent language regarding RVs	This amendment expresses Council's intent for appropriations to serve people experiencing homelessness who reside in recreational vehicles (RVs). The pilot is intended to last six months. At least some funding would support the storage of RVs for households that accept housing or shelter placements. To the degree funds are not used for RV storage, the pilot would support a safe lot for RVs and the associated case management and basic needs supports. It is expected that providing storage of RVs may give people living in RVs more confidence in an accepting an offer to move to a more permanent housing situation or shelter by providing assurance that the household could still move back into the RV if the placement was not successful.
5	Sponsor: Strauss	Modify the intent language regarding the amount of total funding intended for acquisition and development of affordable housing	This amendment would modify the intent language included in Section 9 of CB 120093 to increase the amount of funding that would be provided through the current ARPA appropriations bill and future bills to the Office of Housing from at least \$40 million to at least \$60 million for loans to acquire properties that support or create affordable housing.

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6	Author: Morales Sponsor: Mosqueda	Reduce appropriation to HSD for pre-employment programming and support services by \$500,000 and add \$500,000 to OED for youth employment and paid internship opportunities targeting BIPOC youth.	The amendment adds \$500,000 to the Office of Economic Development for a partnership with the Port of Seattle to provide youth employment and paid internship opportunities targeting BIPOC youth who are most underserved in our region between the ages of 16 to 24 years old. Council Bill 120093 includes \$500,000 for this program and, if passed, this amendment would increase the total funding for this partnership to \$1,000,000. This add would be offset by cutting \$500,000 proposed for community-based organizations to provide culturally responsive pre-employment programming and support services with an emphasis on BIPOC youth in the Human Services Department. These funds were intended to supplement the \$3.7 million Supporting Youth and Young Adults for Success Request for Proposals (RFP) and would have funded an additional two months of services. If this amendment passes, the funding for the RFP will remain at \$3.7 million.
7	Sponsor: Mosqueda	Modify appropriations and intent language for Parks	\$200,000 in federal funding to support the closure of Alki and Golden Garden beaches during the summer months is eliminated. \$200,000 in funding is provided to support SPR's Rec 'N The Streets program which provides recreational activities and mobile playgrounds at parks and neighborhoods across the City. This proposed amendment will ensure that ARPA funds are not used to contract with the Seattle Police Department or outside organizations that provide armed security services for SPR's security needs.