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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the South Park Bridge project; authorizing the Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation to acquire, accept, and record, on behalf of The City of Seattle, a quit claim deed from King County, a political subdivision of the State of Washington, for property situated in Lots 9 through 13, Block 37, South Park; placing the real property rights and interests conveyed by such deed under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation and designating for transportation purposes; laying off the deed as right-of-way; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 123101 passed on September 21, 2009, authorizing the Director of the Department of Transportation to negotiate and enter into an Interlocal Agreement between King County, a political subdivision of the State of Washington (“King County”) and The City of Seattle (the “City”) relating to the conveyance of road-related property, dated June 17, 2010 (the “Interlocal Agreement”), to build the new South Park Bridge (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project was designed to improve traffic safety at the five-legged intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Dallas Avenue South, and South Sullivan Street, by constructing a new seismically resilient bridge over Seattle’s Duwamish Waterway, parallel to and downriver from the existing bridge, which had been battered by earthquakes and age; and

WHEREAS, the new South Park Bridge opened to traffic June 30, 2014, and at the public’s request it architecturally emulates and preserves aspects of the original historic bridge; and

WHEREAS, the reconfiguration of the intersection made it necessary for King County to purchase property in the city of Seattle for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement set forth the conditions by which King County transfers any property it

acquired for the Project within Seattle city limits after Project construction and upon mutual agreement between the City and King County; and

WHEREAS, the City and King County have now agreed upon two parcels of property to transfer to the City under the terms of the Interlocal Agreement; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Quit Claim Deed from KING COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Washington, dated September 16, 2021, and recorded under King County Recording Number 20210922000890, attached as Attachment A and incorporated into this ordinance, is accepted for transportation purposes, placed under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation, and laid off, opened, widened, extended, and established as right-of-way (a portion of tax parcel numbers 788360-7340 and 788360-7345).

Section 2. The Seattle Department of Transportation shall engage with the Office of Planning and Community Development, the Office of Housing, Seattle Parks and Recreation, and South Park community stakeholders on the City's future plans for the property described in Section 1 and the adjoining S. Sullivan Street right-of-way. The Seattle Department of Transportation shall provide a written report to the City Council by January 31, 2023 documenting the engagement, community feedback received, and any identified next steps. The community engagement should consider the planned South Park Plaza project on Dallas Avenue S., and whether the property described in Section 1 should remain as right-of-way or could be used for other public purposes.

Section 3. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by

Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, and signed by  
me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Elizabeth M. Adkisson, Interim City Clerk

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Attachments:  
Attachment A - Quit Claim Deed from King County