



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE relating to a Community Service Officer program; amending Ordinance 125724, which adopted the 2019 budget; lifting a proviso; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle's 2019 Adopted Budget included a proviso on funds in the Seattle Police Department (SPD) concerning the implementation of a Community Service Officer (CSO) program; and

WHEREAS, the proviso in Green Sheet 38-5-A-2-2019 restricts the 2019 appropriation for the SPD budget so that no more than \$653,000 may be spent on a CSO program until the department submits a report that reflect several deployment considerations, consistent with Council's understanding of the program's racial equity toolkit process and broader community engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Executive's Community Service Officer Inter-Departmental Team (IDT), a work group consisting of staff from SPD the City Council, the Mayor's Office, the Office of Civil Rights, the Human Services Department, the Department of Neighborhoods, the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, the Community Police Commission and the City Budget Office led a thorough, collaborative community engagement process and have documented the community input that contributed to every aspect of the CSO program development; and

WHEREAS, the IDT submitted on April 17, 2019 a Community Service Officer Report to the Chair of the Gender Equity, Safe Communities, New Americans and Education Committee; and

WHEREAS, the IDT and the Seattle Police Department are in the process of implementing the program and expect that full implementation will occur in the fourth quarter of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Gender Equity, Safe Communities, New Americans and Education Committee has expressed an intent to review this legislation and the IDT's response to Green Sheet 38-5-A-2-2019 in the Gender Equity, Safe Communities, New Americans and Education Committee; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The restriction imposed by the following budget proviso, which limited spending on the following item, is removed because the conditions set forth in the proviso have been satisfied and it is no longer a restriction for any purpose, including those set forth in Section 1(b) of Ordinance 125724.

Item	Department	Green Sheet	Proviso
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1	Seattle Police Department (SPD)	38-5-A-2-2019	<p>"Of the appropriation for the 2019 budget for the Seattle Police Department, no more than \$653,000 may be spent on CSOs (CSO) until the department submits a "CSO Program Report" to the Clerk of the Council. The report should address the day-to-day operations that reflect the following considerations, consistent with Council's understanding of the program's racial equity toolkit process and broader community engagement: • A strategy for proactive, neighborhood engagement, particularly in neighborhoods that have a high representation of people of color or high concentration of unsheltered individuals (who are disproportionately people of color); including whether there will be a target for proactive work and whether proactive work will be tracked in the CAD/RMS as it is with SPD officers. • A commitment to serving unsheltered populations as a specific duty that would supplement the work of officers that come into contact with unsheltered persons (not necessarily as dedicated programmatic staff to the broader homelessness issue). • A commitment to serving communities of color and immigrant and refugee populations with a culturally competent approach. • Clear criteria for when CSOs will be deployed to respond to an officer's request; including some indication of when CSOs will be logged into the CAD as a resource available to Patrol. Nothing in this proviso should be interpreted as a barrier to hiring CSOs and CSO supervisors. It is the expectation of the Council that the first phase of five CSOs and one CSO supervisor will be hired by July 1, 2019. The department should produce the report required in this proviso concurrently with the recruitment and backgrounding of CSOs. The department should send the report no later than March 31, 2019 to the Central Staff Director and the Chair of the Gender Equity, Safe Communities, New Americans and Education Committee or a successor committee."</p>
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Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. 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 _____, 2019, and signed by

me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2019.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Response to City Council Regarding Green Sheet 38-5-A-2-2019 "CSO Program Report"

Attachment 2 - Green Sheet 38-5-A-2-2019