



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE _____
COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE relating to civil rights; authorizing the Director of the Office for Civil Rights or her designee to execute an agreement with the Social Justice Fund, a Washington non-profit, to provide services relating to zero youth detention projects; amending Ordinance 124927 by lifting a budget proviso; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution 31614 in 2015, endorsing a vision for The City of Seattle to become a city with zero use of detention for youth; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle has developed a Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI) to implement its longstanding commitments to social justice and ending racism; and

WHEREAS, the City's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) works to advance civil rights and end barriers to equity; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 31614 requested that OCR develop a report that outlines a strategy for engaging City departments, including law enforcement, community members, anti-racist community-based agencies, and partner agencies in the development of the City's Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, OCR completed this report and presented it to the City Council at its February 16, 2016, Council Briefing; and

WHEREAS, as part of the City Council's 2016 budget process, the Council added \$600,000 to OCR's budget for work on Zero Youth Detention projects, and imposed a budget proviso requiring OCR to contract with the Social Justice Fund to administer a community-based competitive bid process to allocate funding towards youth detention alternative services and requiring OCR to contract with the organizations awarded funding through that process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now prefers that the Social Justice Fund contract directly with the organizations awarded the funding through the competitive bid process to provide the youth detention alternative services; and

WHEREAS, OCR and the Social Justice Fund are now ready to commence with this important work; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Director of the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) or her designee is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of The City of Seattle an agreement with the Social Justice Fund, a Washington non-profit corporation, in the form negotiated and accepted by the Executive, consistent with the material terms regarding scope of work and payment in the Agreement for Social Justice Fund Northwest Zero Detention Project attached to this legislation as Attachment A.

Section 2. The restrictions imposed by the following budget proviso are removed because the conditions in the proviso have been satisfied and they are no longer restrictions for any purpose, including those in Section 1 of Ordinance 124927:

| Item | Department | 2016 Green Sheet | Proviso | Budget Control Level |
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| 2.1 | Executive | 34-1-A-2 | “None of the money appropriated in the 2016 budget for the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) may be spent on a contract with the Social Justice Fund for Zero Detention Projects until the City Council approves the proposed contract by ordinance.” | Civil Rights (00100-X1R00) |

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

Section 4. The change in the requirement for OCR to contract with the organizations awarded funding described in 2016 Green Sheet 34-1-A-2 to the requirement that Social Justice Fund contract with the selected

organizations is approved.

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 _____, 2016, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2016.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)

Attachments:

Attachment A - Agreement for Social Justice Fund Northwest Zero Detention Project