

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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Budget Action Title: Cut \$175,000 GF from SPD for travel and training, add \$175,000 GF to Finance General Reserves, and impose two provisos

Ongoing: No Has Budget Proviso: Yes

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

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Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	BC	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2021 Increase (Decrease)	2022 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$0	
Net Balance Effect	\$0	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	

Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action (CBA) would cut \$175,000 GF from the Seattle Police Department's (SPD) Travel and Training Budget, adds the \$175,000 GF to Finance General Reserves for recommendations resulting from the Community's Participatory Budgeting process, and imposes two provisos.

SPD's 2021 Travel and Training Budget is \$1.1 million GF and is used to fund civilian training, continuing education, travel to attend conferences, and required certifications, some of which are required under the consent decree between the City and the United States Department of Justice (Consent Decree). SPD is not expected to need all of this funding due to potential losses in staffing and COVID-19 restrictions on training opportunities. This CBA would leave \$925,000 GF remaining in SPD's Travel and Training Budget. It is the intent of the Council that this action will not impede the department from fulfilling requirements of the Consent Decree.

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This Council Budget Action would impose the following provisos:

“Of the appropriation in the 2021 budget for Finance General Reserves, \$175,000 is appropriated solely to implement actions recommended to the City from the Participatory Budgeting process and may be spent for no other purpose. Furthermore, none of the money so appropriated may be spent until authorized by future ordinance. Council anticipates that such authority will not be granted until the Executive submits to the Council a plan for spending the funds in accordance with the Participatory Budgeting recommendations.”

“Of the appropriation in the 2021 budget for the Seattle Police Department (SPD), \$700,000 may not be spent until the Chair of the Council’s Public Safety Committee files a certification with the City Clerk that SPD has provided a report that details (1) each travel and training expenditure made year-to-date; and (2) a projection for each travel and training expenditures that is planned through December 31, 2021. The Council requests that the report be transmitted before March 31, 2021.”

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add \$175,000 for Participatory Budgeting		0	0	FG - FG000	FG - BO-FG-2QD00 - General Purpose	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$175,000
2	Cut \$125,000 for travel and training		0	0	SPD - SP000	SPD - BO-SP-P1600 - Leadership and Administration	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$(125,000)
3	Cut \$50,000 in SPD for travel and training		0	0	SPD - SP000	SPD - BO-SP-P1000 - Chief of Police	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$(50,000)