

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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Budget Action Title: Pass CB 119925 - SPU 2021 Water System Bond Ordinance

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Budget Committee

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Brian Goodnight

Council Bill or Resolution: CB 119925

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	BC	LG
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	Abstain	0									
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Budget Action Description:

This budget action recommends passage of CB 119925, Seattle Public Utilities' (SPU) 2021 water system bond ordinance. This CB would amend Ordinance 125713, passed in November 2018, to authorize up to \$280 million of 30-year fixed-rate bonds to support the City's water system.

Up to \$150 million would be used for debt optimization, a process that would be authorized by a separate piece of budget legislation, CB 119926, the Water Omnibus Bond Defeasance ordinance.

The remaining \$130 million would be used to fund capital expenditures and would support approximately 12-18 months of construction activity. SPU estimates the annual debt service to be about \$7.5 million, beginning in 2022.

The City's Debt Management Policy Advisory Committee voted on October 14, 2020 recommending that the City approve the bonds that would be authorized by this legislation.