

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; authorizing the Second Amendment to the Easement Agreement, authorizing acceptance of a recording of the Second Amendment to the House Easement; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

The City of Seattle ("City"), through its Department of Parks and Recreation's Open Space Program acquired a parcel of property at 1500 Lakeview Boulevard East in 1998. The parcel is located in the St. Mark's Greenbelt, one of the City's high priority areas for open space preservation. The Open Space Program originally intended to demolish the residential structure located at 1500 Lakeview Boulevard East ("Egan House"), consistent with the Program's mission to acquire and preserve open space. Because of interest by residents and several City Councilmembers in preserving the Egan House as an example of significant historical local residential architecture, the Open Space Program was directed to explore reasonable options to preserve the Egan House without additional cost to the City. Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority ("Historic Seattle") agreed to work with the Open Space Program to come to a mutually satisfactory arrangement to save the Egan House while preserving the land in perpetuity for open space purposes. The two parties agreed upon an easement and at closing the land was deeded to the City of Seattle, the Egan House was deeded to Historic Seattle with an easement from the City of Seattle for the house and access thereafter called the "House Easement."

The House Easement has been amended once before in 2002 which expanded the permitted use under the House Easement to include repair, preservation, and restoration of the Egan House, and added an obligation for the holder of the House Easement to repair and restore the Egan House following damage by any casualty.

This legislation authorizes a second amendment to the existing Egan House Easement. The amendment is intended to accommodate Historic Seattle's plans to sell a property interest in the House to a third party by assignment of the House Easement. Historic Seattle intends to simultaneously overlay a historic preservation easement on top of the City of Seattle Easement to protect the historic nature of the building. Please note that nothing in this legislation affects the landmark status or related restrictions on redevelopment of or alterations to the house, and any future buyer would be bound by these restrictions.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? Yes No

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs? No.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department? No.
- b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation? No.
- c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation? No.
- d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property? Yes, it amends an existing easement. Property map attached as Summary Exhibit A.
- e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?
N/A
- f. Climate Change Implications
 1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Any impact would be de minimis and only because existing use would be extended.
 2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects. No, the City reserves the right to protect the land via SPR greenspace regulations.
- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)? Not applicable.

Summary Attachments:

Summary Exhibit A – Property Map