

## 2025-2026 COUNCIL BUDGET ACTION

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### OED-007-A

Proviso \$200,000 JumpStart Fund in OED for neighborhood business districts

### SPONSORS

Rob Saka, Tammy Morales, Cathy Moore

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Fund	2025 Increase (Decrease)	2026 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	\$0

### DESCRIPTION

This Council Budget Amendment would impose a proviso of \$200,000 JumpStart Fund in the Office of Economic Development (OED) for purposes of small business support to historically under-resourced equity business districts that do not anticipate establishing a Business Improvement Area (BIA) in the next two years. Examples of such neighborhoods may include, but not be limited to: South Park, Georgetown, Highland Park, Beacon Hill, [Wedgwood](#), or Lake City. OED may initiate a competitive process for distribution of these funds.

In 2024, OED's Adopted Budget included \$4.9 million in non-labor costs for neighborhood business districts. This funding was used for neighborhood retail analyses, public space activations, grants for neighborhood-based non-profit organizations for post-pandemic recovery, and for exploring business improvement areas in equity districts. The 2025 Proposed Budget includes \$2 million in non-labor expenditures, and OED has stated that the focus of ongoing investments in neighborhood capacity building will be on supporting existing and potential business improvement areas (BIAs).

Council intends for this proviso to repurpose funding that otherwise would not be appropriated in the 2025 Proposed Budget for neighborhood business districts or BIA development.

This Council Budget Action would impose the following proviso:

“Of the appropriation in the 2025 budget for the Office of Economic Development (OED), \$200,000 JumpStart Fund that is not already appropriated to support neighborhood business districts and business improvement areas is appropriated solely for additional support to neighborhood business districts that have been historically under-resourced and do not anticipate being able to establish a Business Improvement Area (BIA) before the end of 2027, and may be spent for no other purpose.”

**ATTACHMENT: No**

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### SPU-008-B

Proviso \$238,000 GF in SPU for sanitation services in the Chinatown-International District

### SPONSORS

Tanya Woo

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Fund	2025 Increase (Decrease)	2026 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	\$0

### DESCRIPTION

This Council Budget Action (CBA) would impose a proviso on \$238,000 GF in Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) for sanitation services in the Chinatown-International District (CID).

The intent of the proviso is to ensure the continuation of sanitation services in 2025 that are currently being provided by a contractor in the CID. The current contract is funded by the Chinatown-International District Business Improvement Area (CIDBIA) which received City funding through the Downtown Activation Plan in 2024, and the contractor's services include litter abatement, needles and sharps cleanup, graffiti abatement, and bulky item removal. The CIDBIA intends to include the Little Saigon neighborhood in future iterations of the BIA, which would reduce the need for additional outside funding.

In the 2025 Proposed Budget, SPU has approximately \$19 million of appropriations for clean-up services citywide.

This CBA would impose the following proviso:

"Of the General Fund appropriation in Seattle Public Utilities' 2025 budget for the Utility Service and Operations Budget Summary Level (SPU-BO-SU-N200B), \$238,000 is appropriated solely for providing sanitation services in the Chinatown-International District and may be spent for no other purpose."

**ATTACHMENT: No**