

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 the Department of Transportation; authorizing the Director of the Department of Transportation to accept the donation of real property via quit claim deed from the Seattle Parks Foundation, a Washington nonprofit corporation, situated in a portion in Lot 4, Block 13, University Lake Shore Addition Divisions 1, 2, and 3; placing the real property rights conveyed by such deed under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation to be used as part of the Lake City Living Memorial Triangle; laying off the property as right-of-way; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Summary and background of the Legislation:

This legislation authorizes the acquisition by donation, acceptance, and recording of a quit claim deed to The City of Seattle (the “City”) granted by the Seattle Parks Foundation, a Washington nonprofit corporation (the “Foundation”), for a portion of real property to be used as part of the Lake City Living Memorial Triangle (“LCLMT”), places it under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation, lays the property off as right-of-way, and ratifies and confirms prior acts.

On March 27, 2019, a gunman shot and killed two people and injured two others near the intersection of Bartlett Avenue Northeast and Sand Point Way Northeast. In response, the Foundation, in partnership with the Lake City Neighborhood Alliance, and neighborhood participants came together to create a memorial garden and beautification project known as the LCLMT in memory of the shooting victims. The Foundation received additional funding from the Neighborhood Matching Fund, Small Sparks grant from the Department of Neighborhood for the LCLMT.

To facilitate this creation, a 900-square foot, privately owned, overgrown and forgotten triangle plot of land (the “Property”) was mowed, and 540 pounds of recycled waste wood and random trash was removed, which set the stage for the LCLMT. On July 13, 2019, a Swamp White Oak tree, provided by the City’s Arborist, was planted. And at a work party on March 8, 2020, three Dawn Redwoods, 4 Eastern Redbuds and flowering buds were planted.

Portions of Bartlett Avenue Northeast and Sand Point Way Northeast rights-of-way (the “SDOT ROW”) are being used for the LCLMT, with the Property at the center of the memorial, as it is bounded on three sides by the SDOT ROW. In addition, the Metro bus route #75 runs along Sand Point Way Northeast.

The Foundation purchased the Property for the LCLMT with funding they received from Amazon for such purpose. The Foundation now wants to donate the Property to the City to complete the LCLMT.

Although additional plans are being created for the LCLMT, they have not been finalized and are contingent upon the Property donation to the City. To complete the memorial, the Foundation intends to connect two circles via pathways of gravel and stone and incorporate a public art piece. Signage will be placed within the circles. They also plan to add shrubbery and sitting benches around the public art circles and possibly a wooden fence with a trellis for vines and flowers, and one more tree along the Southern border.

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?

The Property is to be maintained by the LCLMT Steering Committee. However, the committee may seek to engage the SDOT Urban Forestry division to coordinate efforts in the future.

Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?
None.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?
None.
- 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?

The Foundation is donating a 900-square foot piece of property to the City to be used as part of the LCLMT.

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? [Barret, does the foundation have any plans to have the signage in any other language?]

There are no known impacts to vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities.

The LCLMT Steering Committee does not currently have plans to add signage in different languages at the site, however, they intend to maintain information about the LCLMT on its website, through several active neighborhood email groups, Facebook, and other social media platforms, and have committed to investigating how to incorporate translated versions of its messaging in its social media platforms.

f. Climate Change Implications

1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?

No.

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.

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).

This legislation does not include a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion.

List attachments/exhibits below:
Summary Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map