

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

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1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to the West Seattle Junction Parking and Business Improvement Area; modifying the boundaries; and amending Ordinance 113326, as previously amended by Ordinances 119539, 120570, 121758, 124528, and 125152.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

This ordinance modifies the boundaries of the West Seattle Junction Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA) in two specific areas to reflect commercial development that has occurred in the neighborhood in recent years, and is the final piece of legislation that must be prepared to effectuate the modification, per chapter 35.87A RCW. As an amendment to an existing BIA, the City has passed a Resolution of Intention that included the time, date and location of a public hearing. After the public hearing, the City Council agreed to go forward with this ordinance.

Background: Through Ordinance 113326, the City established the West Seattle Junction Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA) in 1987. Ordinance 113326 provided for the levy of special assessments upon businesses within the PBIA, for the purpose of enhancing conditions for operation of those businesses. In 2014, the City passed Ordinance 124528 modifying the boundaries by adding a parking zone overlay to the PBIA. There has been no subsequent boundary modification since 2014.

The proposed boundary changes would result in an estimated 8.2% increase in total assessments, changing from an estimated \$450,000 to \$490,323. It therefore satisfies the requirement pursuant to RCW 35.87A.075 that a modification to an existing boundary may not affect an area with a projected assessment fee greater than ten percent of the current assessment role for the existing area. The proposed expansion would add a total of 32 ratepayers.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? Yes No

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

None.

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

None.

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.

None. The West Seattle BIA is established as a revenue-neutral program.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Please describe how this legislation may affect any departments besides the originating department.

Yes – the Office of City Finance (OCF), which administers the assessments for the BIAs. OED has worked in close coordination with OCF on this legislation package.

b. Does this legislation affect a piece of property? If yes, please attach a map and explain any impacts on the property. Please attach any Environmental Impact Statements, Determinations of Non-Significance, or other reports generated for this property.

No.

c. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.

i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.

The BIA benefits property owners, business owners, employees, visitors, and residents with cleaning services, events, and support for new and existing businesses. However, there is potential for the BIA to lead to higher residential and commercial rents since business owners' costs will be slightly increasing to pay for the new services. People of color (POC) could be disproportionately impacted if these changes to costs occur, but there is no data to determine likely impacts.

- ii. **Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**

We did not conduct a Racial Equity Toolkit as part of this legislation.

- iii. **What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**

All notifications to property owners will include an option for translation/interpretation if needed.

d. Climate Change Implications

- i. **Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.**

This legislation is not likely to impact carbon emissions in a material way.

- ii. **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.**

This legislation is not likely to impact Seattle’s resiliency in a material way.

- e. **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)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals?**

The West Seattle Junction BIA is an existing program.

5. CHECKLIST

- Is a public hearing required?**
- Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required?**
- If this legislation changes spending and/or revenues for a fund, have you reviewed the relevant fund policies and determined that this legislation complies?**
- Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**

6. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments: None.