

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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Legislative	Chow, x4-4652	n/a

** 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 Seattle Department of Transportation; amending Ordinance 127156, which adopted the 2025 Budget, including the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); and lifting a proviso.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

In November 2024, Seattle voters approved the 2024 Transportation Levy, the successor to 2015's Levy to Move Seattle. Consistent with reporting and oversight requirements included in the Levy ordinance, Resolution 32137 calls for SDOT to prepare an Annual Levy Delivery Plan, describing anticipated levy spending and program and project deliverables for the upcoming year. SDOT transmitted the 2025 Annual Delivery Plan to Council on January 31, 2025.

In adopting the 2025 Budget, Council included a proviso that no more than \$89 million of Transportation Levy Fund appropriations may be spent until authorized by future Council action. This proviso restricts SDOT spending to approximately half of the total Transportation Levy appropriations in 2025 (\$178 million).

The proposed legislation would lift this spending proviso and authorize SDOT to expend and encumber the remainder of the Transportation Levy Fund appropriations in 2025.

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

This legislation does not change appropriations, revenues, or positions. It removes a spending proviso allowing expenditure of approximately \$89 million of Transportation Levy Fund appropriations that were included in the 2025 Adopted Budget.

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

Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Until authorized by the Council, the existing proviso restricts SDOT spending to \$89 million of Transportation Levy appropriations. If the proviso is not lifted, planned Transportation Levy project delivery may be delayed until SDOT is authorized to spend and encumber funds.

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?**
No.
- 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?**
None identified with this proviso lift.
- f. **Climate Change Implications**
 - 1. **Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?**
N/A.
 - 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.**
N/A.
- 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)?**
N/A.

Summary Attachments (if any): None.