

## **SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE**

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### **1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the acceptance of an easement granted to the City of Seattle and recorded as King County document number 20220817000046 for the installation and operation of a drainage facility on property commonly known as 14100 Westwood Pl NE, King County parcel number 812410-0031; placing the property rights and interests conveyed by the easement under the jurisdiction of Seattle Public Utilities; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

#### **Summary and Background of the Legislation:**

Seattle Public Utilities identified a stormwater drainage problem on 41<sup>st</sup> Ave NE, which threatened to undermine and cause erosion to public and private property. The utility determined it needed to install facilities within an easement on private property, located at 14100 Westwood Pl NE, to mitigate flooding and improve drainage. SPU and the property owner agreed to terms and a fair market value of \$20,000 for the easement and the property owner granted an easement to the City. This proposed ordinance would authorize acceptance of that easement.

### **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.** No

**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.** The \$20,000 to purchase this easement came from existing budget in the CIP: Master Project C343402, Small Landslide Projects.

**Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.**  
NA. The drainage improvements which rely on this easement have been constructed.

**Please describe how this legislation may affect any City departments other than the originating department.** NA

#### **4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

- a. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
No
- b. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?**  
No
- c. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
Yes. See Exhibits A and B attached.
- d. 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.**  
This work will have no impact on vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities. The property is currently occupied by a single-family home.
  - ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.**  
NA
  - iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**  
NA
- e. 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.**  
The legislation will not increase carbon emissions.
- 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.**  
Absent the drainage improvements built within this easement, increasing frequency and intensity of storms associated with climate change would accelerate erosion and increase landslide risk within the immediate steep slope area.
- f. **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?**  
NA
- g. **Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization?**  
No

## 5. ATTACHMENTS

### Summary Attachments:

Summary Exhibit A – Vicinity Map

Summary Exhibit B – Site Map