

**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 Seattle Public Utilities; relating to certain properties in the city of Renton at the intersection of Interstate 405 and Seattle Public Utilities’ (SPU) Cedar River Pipelines right-of-way; declaring certain property rights surplus to the needs of SPU; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of SPU to execute and deliver a Quit Claim Deed to the Washington State Department of Transportation and to accept a Quit Claim Deed and three easements from the State of Washington as consideration for the release of the surplus property rights, all as necessary for the relocation of SPU’s Cedar River water transmission pipelines in conjunction with the State’s construction of the I-405 Renton “S” Curves project; all located in the SE quarter of the NW quarter of the SW quarter of Section 17, Township 23, Range 5 East, W.M., King County, Washington; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:**

This ordinance would authorize the Seattle Public Utilities General Manager/CEO to Quit Claim parts of the original SPU pipeline right-of-way to the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and to accept from WSDOT a Quit Claim Deed for other properties nearby, and three (3) easements, all necessary to relocate the City’s Cedar River water transmission pipelines in conjunction with the State’s construction of the Interstate-405 Renton S-Curves project.

In 1989 WSDOT straightened the I-405 freeway at the Renton S-curves, just east of downtown Renton. One reason for the sharp bends in the freeway alignment was the existence of three large diameter SPU water pipelines which cross I-405. The pipelines predate the freeway and were originally installed in SPU fee-owned right-of-way in the early 1900s. Straightening the S-curves required relocating the pipelines onto a new alignment. The relocation was completed in 1993. SPU has no property rights at the new pipeline locations. However, it does own property under the freeway. The agreement with WSDOT contemplated a property rights exchange between SPU and WSDOT whereby SPU will give up land on which SPU facilities no longer exist, and WSDOT will grant SPU a combination of fee owned land and strong protective easements to cover SPU facilities at their new locations.

**2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?**                           Yes   X   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?**

This legislation will protect City property rights and the Cedar River Pipelines at their crossing of I-405 in Renton. It will avoid the high costs of pipeline relocation if such is necessitated by future freeway expansion or modification project.

**Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?**

Not implementing the legislation would be problematic as some of its provisions are required by State Law.

If legislation is not implemented, the Cedar River Pipelines will be vulnerable to demand for relocation at the City's cost.

### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

**a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

No.

**b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**

Yes. The public hearing would be held at the time of Council committee meeting, preceding the committee meeting itself.

**c. Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?**

No.

**d. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?**

No. Notice to the public of the public hearing on the property rights exchange would be given through the regular publishing of Council committee meetings schedules and corresponding agendas.

**e. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

Yes, ownership of several pieces of property and easements rights thereon are involved. Location map attached to Fiscal Note.

**f. 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?**

There does not appear to be any such implication.

- 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)?**

No new initiative or major program expansion are proposed.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**

Summary Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map