

## **Amendment 14 Version 1 to CB 121028 - B&O Tax Ordinance**

**Sponsor:** Councilmember Hollingsworth

Add arts and culture as an eligible use

**Effect:** CB 121028 would require that net revenue be used to fund City General Fund investments in the areas of food access, gender based-violence, small business supports, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention and support for worker's rights and protections. This amendment would add arts and culture as an eligible use of the net revenue generated by this ordinance. The 2026 endorsed budget has about \$6 million in arts and culture programs funded by the JumpStart Payroll Expense Tax Fund or GF, including \$4.7 million of Participatory Budgeting funds to provide grants to support arts and cultural preservation programs focusing on historically marginalized communities.

Amend subsection 5.B.2 of CB 121028 as follows:

A. Proceeds of the business and occupation tax will continue to be deposited into the City's General Fund. The increases in business and occupation tax rates authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance shall be dedicated for the uses described in subsections 5.B and 5.C of this ordinance. At least three months prior to the Mayor submitting the annual budget, the Executive shall consult with the City Council on the impact of actual and anticipated revenue reductions and federal funding cuts on the programs identified in subsections 5.B and 5.C of this ordinance to inform how the new revenue generated by this ordinance is to be utilized. The Mayor shall submit to the City Council at the same time the budget is transmitted a written proposed plan outlining how the new revenue generated by this ordinance is to be utilized in these areas.

B. The proceeds shall be used:

1. For the business and occupation tax threshold lift and deduction for small businesses.
2. To fund City General Fund investments in the following program areas:
  - a. Food access;
  - b. Gender-based violence;
  - c. Small business supports;
  - d. Emergency shelter;
  - e. Homelessness prevention; ~~and~~

f. Support for workers' rights and protections; and

g. Arts and culture.

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