

2016 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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Budget Action Title: OPCD Equitable Development Implementation Plan for Seattle 2035

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Statement of Legislative Intent:

The Council requests that the Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD) develop an equitable development implementation strategy for Seattle 2035. Two reports are requested, one to be delivered on March 1, 2016 and the other to be delivered on June 1, 2016.

The Council requests that the Executive provide a draft implementation strategy to the Planning, Land Use and Sustainability Committee or the successor committee with oversight of OPCD by March 1, 2016, including:

1. Place-based anti-displacement strategies including programs, policies and public investments for areas of the city with high-risk of displacement;
2. Place-based strategies to increase access to high opportunity areas for marginalized populations;
3. A framework for coordinating public infrastructure investments around an equitable development framework;
4. A community capacity-building model for stewarding the strategy; and
5. A plan to identify financial and other resources to implement the strategy.

The Council requests that the Executive provide a financial plan for implementation of the strategy to the Planning, Land Use and Sustainability Committee or the successor committee with oversight of OPCD by June 1, 2016.

Background

In May 2015, the Council adopted [Resolution 31577](#), making Race and Social Equity a Core Value of the Comprehensive Plan. The resolution set an action plan to incorporate equity into all parts of the plan. This work includes incorporating equity into each of the elements, an RSJI analysis of the growth scenarios, new measurement tools to track progress and use of the RSJI Inclusive Outreach and Public Engagement (IOPE) toolkit to engage historically underrepresented communities during the Plan's public review period and collaborating during implementation with community bodies representative of marginalized populations.

The Equity Analysis of the growth scenarios presented with the Seattle 2035 Draft Environmental Impact Statement identified the need for investment in anti-displacement strategies in many areas of the city designated for growth. These strategies would help maintain affordability, anchor cultural communities and provide education and economic opportunities for current residents. The Council requests that the Executive develop an implementation plan in order to translate this analysis into actionable policy that can be advanced concurrently with the Comprehensive Plan to minimize displacement of marginalized populations and increase their access to opportunity.

Responsible Council Committee(s): Planning, Land Use and Sustainability

Date Due to Council: March 1, 2016

June 1, 2016