

**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 related to fees and charges for permits and activities of the Department of Planning and Development; amending Seattle Municipal Code Sections 22.900B.010 and 22.900C.010.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:** This legislation raises DPD’s hourly rate for land use review by 12% to help support direct and indirect program costs. As proposed, the rate Land Use Hourly rate would change from \$250 to \$280. The land use hourly rate has not been increased since 2001, when it was raised from \$175 to \$250. Such a changed is following the principles set forth in Resolution 29502 which resulted from the 1996 Program and Funding Study of the then Department of Construction and Land Use.

**2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

This legislation creates, funds, or amends a CIP Project.

**3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

This legislation has direct financial implications.

<b>Budget program(s) affected:</b>	Land Use Services			
<b>Estimated \$ Appropriation change:</b>	<b>General Fund \$</b>		<b>Other \$</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Estimated \$ Revenue change:</b>	<b>Revenue to General Fund</b>		<b>Revenue to Other Funds</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
				\$632,132
<b>Positions affected:</b>	<b>No. of Positions</b>		<b>Total FTE Change</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Other departments affected:</b>	None			

### 3.a. Appropriations

This legislation adds, changes, or deletes appropriations.

### 3.b. Revenues/Reimbursements

This legislation adds, changes, or deletes revenues or reimbursements.

#### Anticipated Revenue/Reimbursement Resulting from this Legislation:

Fund Name and Number	Dept	Revenue Source	2015 Revenue	2016 Estimated Revenue
Planning and Development (15700)	Planning and Development	Land Use Fees		\$632,132
<b>TOTAL</b>				\$632,132

#### Revenue/Reimbursement Notes:

None.

### 3.c. Positions

This legislation adds, changes, or deletes positions.

## 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect or long-term financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above?**  
No.
- b) **Is there financial cost or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**  
Not implementing this legislation as proposed would create a situation where the costs, both direct and indirect, of the regulatory program for which the fee is authorized exceed the revenue generated by the fee. Resolution 29502 indicates a fee increase is appropriate under those circumstances.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
No significant impacts on other departments are anticipated.
- d) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
No.
- e) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**  
No.
- f) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
No.

**g) Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?**

No adverse RSJI implications are anticipated from this fee increase. This fee increase is focused on providing additional revenue that would support the hiring of several new staff through the Mayor's 2016 Proposed Budget. Additional staff would increase the program's capacity for permit reviews, and is expected to result in improved overall permitting timelines. Improved permitting timelines should result in lower overall costs to any property owner who engages in a development proposal that would trigger a Master Use permit.

**h) If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the long-term and measurable goals of the program? Please describe how this legislation would help achieve the program's desired goals.**

No

**i) Other Issues:**

None.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**

None.