

BILL SUMMARY & FISCAL NOTE

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1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to the 2015 Budget; amending Ordinance 124648, which adopted the 2015 Budget; changing appropriations to the Seattle Department of Transportation and to the Human Services Department; creating both exempt and non-exempt positions; authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into an interlocal agreement with the State Department of Licensing; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by at least a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

This legislation increases the appropriations in SDOT and in the Human Services Department (HSD) to reflect funding from the Seattle Transportation Benefit District’s Proposition One, which was approved by voters in November 2014. It also creates two new positions in SDOT. In addition, the legislation authorizes the Director of Finance to enter into an interlocal agreement with the State Department of Licensing to collect the vehicle license fees on behalf of the Seattle Transportation Benefit District.

The appropriations in 2015 are for the first year of a new six-year program. As the program matures and changes over time, the City will re-evaluate the needs of this program and may modify it accordingly.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

Project Name:	Project I.D.:	Project Location:	Start Date:	End Date:	Total Cost:

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

 X This legislation has direct financial implications

Budget program(s) affected:				
Estimated \$ Appropriation change:	General Subfund \$		Other \$	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
From Seattle Transportation Benefit District	\$0	\$0	\$31,000,000	\$0
Interfund From SDOT to HSD	\$0	\$0	\$278,000	\$0
Estimated \$ Revenue change:	Revenue to General Subfund		Revenue to Other Funds	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
From Seattle Transportation Benefit District	\$0	\$0	\$31,000,000	\$0
Interfund From SDOT to HSD	\$0	\$0	\$278,000	\$0
Positions affected:	No. of Positions		Total FTE Change	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
	2.0	0	2.0	0
Other departments affected:				

3.a. Appropriations

X This legislation adds, changes, or deletes appropriations.

Fund Name and number	Dept	Budget Control Level Name/##*	2015 Appropriation Change	2016 Estimated Appropriation Change
Transportation Operating Fund (10310)	SDOT	Mobility-Operations (17003)	\$31,000,000	
Human Services Operating Fund (16200)	HSD	Community Support and Assistance Budget Control (H30ET)	\$278,000	
TOTAL			\$31,278,000	

Appropriations Notes:

Appropriations for 2016 will be addressed in the 2016 Proposed and Adopted Budgets.

Per Seattle Transportation Benefit District Resolution 17, revenues should be used as follows:

- \$13,500,000 to purchase Metro transit service hours;
- \$3,000,000 to support regional transit service in conjunction with other cities, transit agencies, or transportation benefit districts;

- \$2,000,000 to improve and to support access to transit service for low-income transit riders; and
- \$4,000,000 to fund and administer the \$20 low-income vehicle license fee rebate to qualified individuals.

In addition, \$8,500,000 is appropriated solely to pay for contract expenses that occur between the termination of the contract and the subsequent service change in the event that the subsequent service change falls on the following calendar year. Unspent funds will carry forward to subsequent fiscal years until they are exhausted or abandoned by ordinance. It is expected that the Seattle Transportation Benefit District will appropriate this \$8,500,000 in a future action.

3.b. Revenues/Reimbursements

X **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
Transportation Operating Fund (10310)	SDOT	Seattle Transportation Benefit District – Vehicle License Fees	\$31,000,000	
Human Services Operating Fund (16200)	HSD	Seattle Department of Transportation	\$278,000	
TOTAL			\$31,278,000	

Revenue/Reimbursement Notes:

Revenues for 2016 will be addressed in the 2016 Proposed and Adopted Budgets.

The revenues to HSD would come from SDOT and are included in the \$4,000,000 of administration costs. This amount is intended to pay for costs outlined in a Memorandum of Agreement between the two departments relating to eligibility verification for the low-income license fee rebate program and the increasing access to the Metro Lift program.

It is expected that the Seattle Transportation Benefit District will appropriate \$8,500,000 in a future action.

3.c. Positions

 X This legislation adds, changes, or deletes positions.

Total Regular Positions Created, Modified, or Abrogated through this Legislation, Including FTE Impact:

Position # for Existing Positions	Position Title & Department*	Fund Name & #	Program & BCL	PT/ FT	2015 Positions	2015 FTE	Does it sunset? (If yes, explain below in Position Notes)
	Strategic Advisor 2, Exempt	Transportation Operating Fund (10310)	Mobility – Operations (17003)	FT	1.0	1.0	Yes
	Senior Transportation Planner	Transportation Operating Fund (10310)	Mobility – Operations (17003)	FT	1.0	1.0	Yes
TOTAL					2.0	2.0	

Position Notes:

All of the positions created in this ordinance shall sunset by no later than December 31, 2020 because the authority to collect STBD Proposition One revenues expires at the end of 2020.

The Strategic Advisor 2 position will be responsible for two annual audits of Metro. The audits will involve reviewing and analyzing Metro transit data for supplantation and accountability concerns associated with STBD Proposition One. The Strategic Advisor 2 may utilize and oversee consultants as part of this review.

The Senior Transportation Planner position will manage transit service planning, scheduling, and public relations in accordance with STBD Proposition One.

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?**
 This legislation is necessary to implement STBD Proposition One.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

Yes, the Human Services Department.

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

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.

N/A

i) Other Issues:

List attachments below:

None.