

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:

A RESOLUTION initiating a proceeding for vacating a portion of the alley on the block between NE 45th Street, Roosevelt Way NE, NE 47th Street, and 11th Avenue NE pursuant to Chapter 35.79 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) Chapter 15.62.

Summary and Background of the Legislation:

This Resolution starts the process of considering vacating a portion of the alley on the block bounded by NE 45th Street, Roosevelt Way NE, NE 47th Street, and 11th Avenue NE in the University District, Council District 4. Sound Transit is the owner of the two parcels on the north side of NE 45th Street, which are separated by an alley. Sound Transit's goal for the property is to issue a Request for Proposals for a developer to build affordable housing on these parcels. More affordable housing units would be able to be built on these if the alley were vacated. Because the vacation of the alley between the Sound Transit properties would serve a public purpose, this Resolution initiates the alley vacation review process, as provided for under Revised Code of Washington Chapter 35.79, Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 15.62 and the City's Street Vacation Policies. It does not obligate the Council to grant the alley vacation.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ☐ Yes ☒ 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?
None

Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?
None

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
The Seattle Department of Transportation has been charged with reviewing and making recommendation on vacations. Staff is dedicated to that work.
- b. **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**
Before Council action on the vacation, a public hearing will be held.
- c. **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**
No
- d. **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**
Yes, see attachment A
- e. **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?**
The vacation would solely be for the issuance of a Request for Proposals for the development of a project that would maximize the number of low-income housing units (in no case less than a majority of the units affordable to households earning less than 60% of Area Median Income with a portion of those units for individuals currently or formerly experiencing homelessness in Seattle), as evidenced by detailed pro forma spreadsheets to confirm all sources and uses of funds (including developer and contractor fees and profits) and projected operating revenue and expenses. Sound Transit will be responsible for all outreach and engagement and will follow their language access plans.
- f. **Climate Change Implications**
1. **Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?**
No
 2. **Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**
No
- 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)?**
Not applicable

Summary Attachments:

Attachment A – Sound Transit 45th Alley Vacation Map