

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 relating to the Seattle Fire Department’s fire prevention services; amending Sections 22.602.010, 22.602.020, 22.602.045, 22.602.050, 22.602.070, 22.602.090, and 3.102.010 of, repealing Sections 3.16.130 and 22.600.050 of, and adding a new Section 3.16.131 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

Summary and background of the Legislation: The City of Seattle adopts new building codes legislation roughly every three years. The Seattle Fire Code is one of the City’s building codes, and these codes were most recently adopted in 2021. This legislation provides a set of “clean up” actions to harmonize the Seattle Municipal Codes provisions for Seattle Fire Department (SFD) permits and services with the new Seattle Fire Code and existing practices. There is no substantive fiscal impact from the changes proposed in this legislation.

SFD provides a variety of permits and services. Many are associated with enforcement of the fire code to support fire and life safety, including permits and inspections for activities regulated by the fire code, as well as plan reviews associated with the City’s building permitting process, and certifications for technicians installing, testing and maintaining fire and life safety systems like sprinklers and standpipes in Seattle.

The Seattle Fire Code as well as most of the provisions for SFD’s permits and services are contained in Subtitle VI of Title 22 of the Seattle Municipal Code. The most recent version of the Seattle Fire Code was adopted with Ordinance 126283 in 2021.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ___ Yes X No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes X 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?
No.

Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

The City and its customers benefit when administrative provisions in the Seattle Municipal code correctly align with requirements and regulations in the Seattle Fire Code.

If there are no changes to appropriations, revenues, or positions, please delete sections 3.a., 3.b., and 3.c. and answer the questions in Section 4.

3.a. Appropriations

_____ This legislation adds, changes, or deletes appropriations.

3.b. Revenues/Reimbursements

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

Revenue/Reimbursement Notes:

The proposed legislation includes a small set of changes to the permits and services provided by SFD. The overall estimated impact on revenue collections across all categories is less than \$1k.

3.c. Positions

_____ This legislation adds, changes, or deletes positions.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

Yes. The Seattle Department of Construction and Inspection's (SDCI's) Accela system requires similar modification to two inspections related to new construction. SFD and SDCI have worked together to submit a ticket for this work and there is no additional cost. The work is modest and will be covered in the base budget.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation? No.

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? No.

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?

Programs to ensure fire code compliance help promote fire and life safety for all who live, visit, and work in Seattle. The new food truck permitting provisions and educational material has been translated into seven top tier languages. Where these changes require us to update other materials, such as Client Assistance Memoranda, we are updating the English version as well as the translated versions.

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).**

No. This legislation does not implement new programs.

List attachments/exhibits below:

None.