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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE 126636
COUNCIL BILL 120367

AN ORDINANCE accepting the gift of a Harvard Government Performance Lab fellow; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle (“City”) spends over \$900 million each year on goods and services, consultants, and public works/construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the City has a responsibility to its residents to make sure that each of those dollars is spent in a manner that is equitable and encourages the best value and quality performance; and

WHEREAS, Bloomberg Philanthropies has partnered with Harvard Government Performance Lab to use the power of innovation teams to create the world’s most advanced models for city procurement; and

WHEREAS, Harvard Government Performance Lab wishes to make a gift of a two-year Procurement Fellow that will engage in efforts to transform procurement practices in Seattle by adopting a strategic, outcomes-oriented approach that saves time for City staff, encourages new and diverse vendors, and achieves better outcomes for contracted services; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:


Section 1. The City Budget Director, or designee, is authorized to accept an in-kind gift of a Harvard Government Performance Lab fellow, of up to \$370,000 in value, to be used as an embedded, full-time Procurement Fellow in the Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS). The Fellow shall work with FAS and the Innovation and Performance (IP) team in the City Budget Office to support the City in: diagnosing critical procurement and contracting

1 problems and build buy-in within their government; developing or advance strategies focused on
2 transforming their procurement function; launching and supporting the implementation of new
3 procurement and contracting tools; building capacity through coaching and training to strengthen
4 existing talent and teach additional staff; creating systems to measure the short and long-term
5 impact of procurement transformation, and driving a culture of data-driven performance
6 management within procurement.


7 Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage
8 and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

1 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.


4 Passed by the City Council the 26th day of July, 2022,
5 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 26th day of
6 July, 2022.

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8 President Pro Tem of the City Council

9 Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this 1st day of August, 2022.

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11 Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

12 Filed by me this 1st day of August, 2022.

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14 Elizabeth M. Adkisson, Interim City Clerk

15 (Seal)

16 Attachments: