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Amendment 4 Version 1 to CB #121240 – FEPP Levy I&E plan

Sponsor: Councilmembers Foster and Hollingsworth

Examining prioritization for the SPP Voucher Pilot and funding food assistance

Effect: This amendment would require that, prior to implementation of the SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot program, DEEL submit a report to Council examining SPP waitlist trends disaggregated by demographic factors; describing how the SPP Voucher Waitlist Pilot prioritization advances levy goals to close the opportunity gap for those furthest from kindergarten readiness; and reflecting engagement of stakeholders such as families, institutional providers, and family childcare providers.

After the development of the program in school year 2026-2027, the program would be implemented in the 2027-2028 school year. This amendment would allocate the $927,710 that was proposed to be spent in the 2026-2027 school year for the voucher pilot, towards funding instead food assistance to low-income K-12 students over weekends and school breaks (excluding summer).

Amend Table 5 on Page 17 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 by amending the following:

*Table 5. Ready to Start Spending Detail**

	6-Year Total
Home Visiting	
Nurse Family Partnership	$18,771,946
ParentChild+	$9,543,014
Home Visiting Subtotal	**$28,314,961**
Health	
Developmental Bridge	$3,977,063
Childcare Health Program	$22,806,335
Health Subtotal	**$26,783,398**
Childcare	
Childcare Subsidies	$90,537,870
Homeless Childcare Subsidies	$3,234,126
SPR Childcare Scholarships	$4,392,051
Childcare Workforce Payment Program	$18,471,452
FCC Mentorship Program	$4,038,976
Childcare Subtotal	**$120,674,475**
Seattle Preschool Program	
Seattle Preschool Program	$391,661,114
SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot	~~$6,000,809~~ $5,073,099
Seattle Preschool Program Subtotal	**$~~397,661,923~~ $396,734,213**
Ready to Start Labor	**$70,773,008**
Cost & Risk Reserve	**$12,572,072**

Total Ready to Start	~~**$656,779,835**~~ $655,852,125

**Note: Numbers may not add up due to rounding*

Amend Page 26 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 by inserting the following:

Participant Eligibility

Three- and four-year-old children who live in Seattle and are not yet eligible for kindergarten in Seattle School District are eligible to participate in SPP regardless of family income. Children are eligible to enroll in SPP when they are three or four years old as of August 31st of the school year. Families at or below 94% SMI are eligible for free tuition. Families above 94% SMI will pay tuition on a sliding scale.

SPP enrollment will be managed by DEEL and CBO/FCC providers. At sites where enrollment is managed by DEEL, children will be assigned to their requested site based on the following prioritization: 1) three- and four-year old children experiencing homelessness or in foster or kinship care; 2) four-year-olds; 3) children who apply to a site in their elementary school attendance zone; children with a sibling already enrolled in SPP or in the SPS building; three-year-olds with SMI below 54%; and three-year-olds who are dual-language speakers and are below 94% SMI.

Additional eligibility requirements for the SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot may include but not be limited to: families who are located in Council Districts where more than ten SPP providers with DEEL-managed enrollment have a waitlist. Eligibility requirements will be developed in school year 2026-27 prior to implementation in school year 2027-28.

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Amend Page 28 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 by inserting the following:

SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot

~~SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot will be developed during the 2026-2027 school year and implemented in the 2027-2028 school year. The program is funded through 2031-2032. It will be reviewed after implementation and adjustments made, as warranted.~~ The SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot will be developed during the 2026-27 school year. Prior to disbursement of funding for this program, and as a condition of further funding for future years, DEEL shall submit a report to Council examining waitlist trends disaggregated by demographic factors; describing how the prioritization advances levy goals to close the opportunity gap for those furthest from kindergarten readiness; and reflecting engagement of stakeholders such as families, institutional providers, and family childcare providers. This report will inform Council approval of program details before implementation for the 2027-2028 school year.

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Amend Table 13 on Page 29 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 by amending the following:

*Table 13. Ready to Learn Spending Detail**

Investment	Dept	6-Year Total
Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO)		
School-Based Investments	DEEL/SPR**	$159,861,541
Community-Based Investments	DEEL	$22,164,780
Sports	DEEL	$1,760,209
Environmental Learning	SPR	$6,539,562
ELO Subtotal		**$190,326,093**
Health		
School Based Health Centers	DEEL	$83,716,716
Expanded SBHC Mental Health Staff	DEEL	$41,125,237
Youth Mental Health	DEEL	$57,273,918
HSD Youth Behavioral Health	HSD	$9,291,507
HSD Multisystemic Therapy	HSD	$1,099,306
Health Subtotal		**$192,506,685**
Safety		
Restorative Practices	DEEL	$11,124,113
Opportunity-Based Mentoring	DEEL	$5,174,728
HSD School-Based Safety	HSD	$30,212,376
HSD Gender-Based Violence Prevention	HSD	$3,428,256
Safety Subtotal		**$49,939,473**
Basic Needs		
Housing~~, and~~ Homelessness and Food	DEEL/HSD	~~$4,249,525~~ $5,177,235
Transportation	DEEL	$3,016,150
HSD Summer Food Program	HSD	$660,978
Universal School Meals	OSE	$7,740,000
Basic Needs Subtotal		~~**$15,666,653**~~ $16,594,363
Ready to Learn Labor		**$20,590,536**
Cost & Risk Reserve		**$9,023,292**
Total Ready to Learn		~~**$478,052,731**~~ $478,980,441

**Note: Numbers may not add up due to rounding*

**SPR Community Learning Centers are anticipated to continue to be funded, subject to the School-Based Supports RFP in Q4 2026. This funding would represent $12.8 million of this line item.

Amend Page 42 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 as follows:

Strategy #4: Basic Needs

Funded Services

Basic Needs investments are designed to help eliminate non-academic and socio-economic barriers to educational achievement and post-secondary pathways for students. Funded programs include Housing and Homelessness Supports, Transportation, Summer Food Program, and School Meals described below.

Housing~~, and~~ Homelessness and Food Supports includes emergency housing assistance funding, client-centered housing case management, and screening, referral and connection to stabilization services. Services are provided by housing service providers. In addition, funding is provided to support low-income families in need of food assistance over weekends and school breaks (excluding summers). This assistance would be provided through vouchers and would be distributed by Seattle Public Schools personnel to families identified as in need of such assistance.

Amend Page 42 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 as follows:

Participant Eligibility

Basic Needs investments serve Seattle families, youth, and students. Participant eligibility criteria is as follows:

- Housing, ~~and~~ Homelessness and Food Supports: SPS K-12 students experiencing housing instability and/or food insecurity.

Amend Page of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 as follows:

Table 20~~18~~. Program Implementation Standards (Basic Needs)

_	**Housing, ~~and~~ Homelessness and Food Supports**	**Transportation**
Quality	Services will be culturally-responsive with an emphasis on services being delivered in student' home language	Determined by SPS using criteria such as experien and required staffing
Outcomes	• Youth are healthy and ready to learn	• Youth are healthy and ready to learn
Reporting Indicators	• # Served • % Attending 90% of the school year	• # Served • % Consistently attending OST or integrat support programs
Service Target	Minimum 90 students annually	• Minimum 20 schools annually • 650 students annually

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Amend Page 45 and 46 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240, as follows:

Implementation Timeline

- Housing, ~~and~~ Homelessness and Food Supports: The existing DEEL contract for Housing and Homelessness Supports will be extended through August 2027, and shift to HSD for administration. Funding will be allocated subject to the Plan's requirements for Competitive Processes. Funding allocated for food support shall be awarded to Seattle Public Schools who shall designate how such funding will be distributed by school personnel to low-income families in need of food assistance on weekends and during school breaks (excluding summer).

Amend Page 60 of Attachment 1 to CB 121240 as follows:

V. Appendix

V.I Detailed Six-Year Spending Plan

Strategy Funded Services	**Year 1 2026-27 SY**	**Year 2 2027-28 SY**	**Year 3 2028-29 SY**	**Year 4 2029-30 SY**	**Year 5 2030-31 SY**	**Year 6 2031-32 SY**	**6-Year Total**
Childcare	**$21,442,110**	**$19,747,278**	**$20,414,126**	**$21,103,935**	**$21,817,513**	**$22,150,323**	**$126,675,284**
SPP Waitlist Voucher Pilot	~~$927,710~~	$955,541	$984,208	$1,013,734	$1,044,146	$1,075,470	~~$6,000,809~~ $5,073,099
Total Ready to Start	**$98,127,210**	**$99,045,344**	**$106,418,631**	**$111,949,680**	**$117,725,801**	**$123,513,169**	**~~$656,779,835~~ $655,852,125**
Basic Needs	**~~$4,878,066~~ $5,032,684**	**~~$5,403,783~~ $5,558,401**	**~~$1,301,696~~ $1,456,314**	**~~$1,340,747~~ $1,495,365**	**~~$1,380,970~~ $1,535,588**	**~~$1,361,391~~ $1,516,009**	**~~$15,666,653~~ $16,594,363**
Housing, ~~and~~ Homelessness, and Food Support	~~$656,966~~ $811,584	~~$676,675~~ $831,293	~~$696,975~~ $851,593	~~$717,884~~ $872,502	~~$739,421~~ $894,039	~~$761,604~~ $916,222	~~$4,249,525~~ $5,177,235