

**SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\***

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**1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:**

A RESOLUTION declaring the City Council’s intent to consider strategies to increase the availability of affordable housing in The City of Seattle; and requesting the State Legislature to adopt new policies or modify existing policies in order to provide additional opportunities for cities and counties to increase the availability of affordable housing.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:**

This resolution (1) establishes the City’s affordable housing objectives based on recommendations from the Seattle Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda (HALA) Advisory Committee, (2) sets out a generalized multi-year work program for implementing those recommendations, (3) requests state-level changes to achieve established objectives, and (4) concurs in affordable housing goals that guided HALA’s recommendations.

In September 2014, the Council and the Mayor adopted Resolution 31546, which established HALA. HALA met from October 2014 to July 2015. On July 13, 2015 HALA published the *Seattle Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda: Final Advisory Committee Recommendations* and the Mayor published *Housing Seattle: A Roadmap to an Affordable and Livable City*. In July the Council created the Select Committee on Housing Affordability to consider HALA’s and the Mayor’s recommendations.

**2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

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

<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Project I.D.:</b>	<b>Project Location:</b>	<b>Start Date:</b>	<b>End Date:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>

**3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Please check one:

       **This legislation has direct financial implications.** (If the legislation has direct fiscal impacts (appropriations, revenue, positions), fill out the relevant sections below. If the financial implications are indirect or longer-term, describe them in narrative in the “Other Implications” section.)

X **This legislation does not have direct financial implications.**

#### 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?**  
No.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
Yes, this legislation sets out a work program for executive departments and requests that the Office of Intergovernmental Relation engage the Washington State Legislature on measures listed in the resolution.
- 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?**

The legislation sets out a range of programs, which, if implemented, could lead to preservation or development of housing affordable to low-income households, including households that are severely rent-burdened. A severely rent-burdened household is a household that pays more than 50% of annual income in rent. Non-hispanic black or African-american households are more likely to be rent burdened. Implementation is contingent on future budget appropriations and other work planning activity.

- 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.**

This legislation does not, in and of itself, create any new initiatives or programs. It does set out a work program and deliverable dates based on recommendations from the Mayor. Actual work towards accomplishing those deliverables is contingent on future budget appropriations and other work planning activity.

**i) Other Issues:**

None.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**