

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 Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement project; authorizing the Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation to acquire, accept, and record, on behalf of The City of Seattle, a permanent easement from Neubert Family Limited Partnership, a Washington limited partnership, located in a portion of Lots 6, 7, and 8, together with a portion of the vacated alley abutting Lot 8, Block 17 of Town of Seattle, as laid out by D. S. Maynard, commonly known as D.S. Maynard's Plat of Seattle, for the purposes of constructing, repairing, replacing, and maintaining a Yesler Way abutment wall, sidewalk, and other transportation infrastructure; placing the real property rights and interests conveyed by such easement under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

Summary and background of the Legislation:

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Transportation to acquire property rights necessary for the Yesler Way Over 4th Avenue South Bridge Project and places it under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation.

The Yesler Bridge Project will rehabilitate the bridge supporting Yesler Way over 4th Avenue South. The bridge is located immediately adjacent to the International Special Review District and within the Pioneer Square Historic District. The primary project objective is to improve public safety.

Yesler Bridge is one of the oldest steel bridges in the city. As such, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) is working closely with the Pioneer Square Preservation Board and the International Special Review District Board to ensure the bridge and nearby neighborhoods maintain their key unique historic design elements, features, and setting.

The total Yesler Bridge Project construction budget is \$16.1 million. Funding for the project is programmed in the Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement CIP (TC366850). The funding sources are bonds backed by the Commercial Parking Tax and a grant from the Federal Highway Bridge Program.

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

 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?**

The City has provided the property owner just compensation for the property acquisition necessary to complete the Yesler Bridge Project.

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

Not implementing this legislation would eliminate the possibility of construction of the current Yesler Bridge Project design because the easement will not have been accepted and placed under the jurisdiction of the Seattle Department of Transportation.

c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

No.

d) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**

No. Public comments can be given at the public comment portion of the Transportation Committee meeting scheduled to vote on this Council Bill.

e) **Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?**

No.

f) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**

No.

g) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

Yes. Permanent easement rights have been acquired in the vicinity of 4th Avenue South and Yesler Way to construct, repair, replace, and maintain a Yesler Way abutment wall, sidewalk, and other transportation infrastructure.

h) **Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?**

This legislation, pertaining to the conveyance of real property, does not impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities. However, the Yesler Bridge Project will have short-term temporary impacts. Such temporary impacts on vulnerable or historically disadvantaged populations will include construction noise and roadway and sidewalk closures during construction. However, these impacts are not highly adverse and will be mitigated through detours and best management practices.

- i) 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.**

N/A

- j) Other Issues:** None.

List attachments/exhibits below:

Attachment 1 – Vicinity and Location Map