

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: A RESOLUTION recognizing the extensive effort of the Rainier Beach neighborhood to update its vision and plan for the future of the neighborhood; to advance neighborhood priorities through the completion of the “Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan Update,” a combined effort of the community and the City, that informs City policies, programs, and investments for those areas included in the Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan Update.

Summary and background of the Legislation: In 2010, then Mayor and City Council began a process with community members to update the 1999 Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan. Their decision was based on the changes in Rainier Beach since 1999. Rainier Beach has a new light rail station, library, and school. Rainier Beach also continues to be one of Seattle’s most diverse neighborhoods with 60 languages spoken and a majority of residents are people of color.

For the 2012 Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan Update, the City and community reviewed the strengths of the original plan. We used that assessment to confirm goals that are still relevant and added new goals where they were needed. That work set the stage for us to create a shared work plan to accomplish the community’s vision for Rainier Beach.

Throughout the neighborhood plan update, a diverse range of people were engaged in community-wide events. We held over a dozen meetings to get input and feedback from the area’s historically underrepresented community members, including immigrants, refugees, youth, seniors, communities of color, and people living with disabilities. The plan identifies four goals for what the neighborhood should be: a place for everyone; a place for lifelong learning; a place for growing food to develop healthy industry; and a beautiful safe place.

Since the development of the plan in 2012 community members have continued to be deeply involved in implementing strategies to bring their vision to fruition. This resolution recognizes the work of community to develop the neighborhood plan and the plan itself.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

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?**

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?**

No.

d) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?** No.

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?** No.

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?**

Rainier Beach is one of Seattle's most diverse neighborhoods with over where over 60 languages are spoken, a majority of neighborhood residents are people of color and over 60% of households are families. Rainier Beach is also a neighborhood where educational achievement is lower than the rest of the city and poverty rates are higher.

It is critical that the City recognize the work of members of the community to grow this neighborhood in a way that reflects the vision of residents, particularly as we work to ensure all neighborhoods have equitable opportunities to participate in government. Community members in this neighborhood have long called up on the City to recognize this community plan, and by doing so with this resolution we demonstrate our commitment to equitable engagement and development.

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.