

2020 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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Budget Action Title: Request that OPCD and SDCI prepare a proposal to limit siting of new fossil fuel production and storage facilities

Ongoing: No

Primary Sponsor: Mike O'Brien

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Ketil Freeman

Date		Total	LH	BH	KS	AP	DJ	MO	SB	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Statement of Legislative Intent:

This Statement of Legislative Intent requests that the Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD) and the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) develop, and conduct any necessary associated environmental review, on a regulatory proposal to limit development of new fossil fuel production and storage facilities within the Seattle city limits.

In August 2019 the Council passed Resolution 31896, which established the docket of Comprehensive Plan amendments the Council will consider in 2020. Resolution 31896 contemplates that the Council will consider the following types of policy changes related to fossil fuels and public health:

"Section 5. Amendments related to fossil fuels and public health. The Council requests that OPCD, in consultation with the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections, the Office of Sustainability, and the Environmental Justice Committee, draft, evaluate, undertake environmental review and provide recommendations for potential amendments to the Environment, Land Use or Utilities Elements that would clarify the City's intent to protect the public health and meet its climate goals by limiting fossil fuel production and storage."

Any policy and / or regulatory proposal related to the location of fossil fuel production and storage facilities in Seattle's shorelines may be combined with the 2020 update to the Seattle Shoreline Master Program, for which Comprehensive Plan amendments may be adopted outside of the annual Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle.

The report should be submitted to the Chair of the Planning, Land Use and Zoning Committee, or its successor committee, and the Central Staff Executive Director, by June 30, 2020.

Responsible Council Committee(s):

Planning, Land Use & Zoning

Date Due to Council: June 30, 2020

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