2020 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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TNCSPN	103	B	1

Budget Action Title: Request that FAS and SDOT report on the feasibility of a Transportation Assistance Voucher Program

Ongoing: No   Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Budget Committee

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Amy Gore

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 (SLI) requests that Finance and Administrative Services (FAS) and Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) provide a report to the Governance, Equity & Technology Committee (or successor committee) on the feasibility of a City of Seattle Transportation Assistance Voucher Program to be funded by Transportation Network Company (TNC) Tax revenues. This report will be due on or before March 31, 2020.

The program would provide vouchers to persons with limited mobility, seniors and/or low-income households to be used on transportation services provided by City of Seattle for-hire licensed operators. The intent is that the report requested in this SLI will be the basis of a new Seattle Transportation Assistance Voucher Program that would be created by Council in 2020 and funded with TNC tax revenues each year. The report should also explore the option of leveraging funding through partnerships with existing programs.

To effectuate this change, Council should also pass Council Budget Action (CBA) TNCSPN-106-B-1 which adds the Transportation Assistance Voucher Program to the list of eligible uses of TNC tax revenues in Resolution 31914; pass CBA TNCTAX 103-B-1, which adds the Transportation Assistance Voucher Program to the list of intended uses of the TNC tax revenues in Council Bill 119684; and pass CBA TNCSPN-104-B-1, which imposes a proviso on $500,000 of finance general appropriations.

Responsible Council Committee(s):

Governance, Equity & Technology

Date Due to Council:

March 31, 2020