



Seattle Council Committee Report

Select Budget Committee

Council Chamber, City Hall
600 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 9:30 AM

This meeting also constitutes a meeting of the City Council, provided that the meeting shall be conducted as a committee meeting under the Council Rules and Procedures, and Council action shall be limited to committee business.

Please Note: Times listed are estimated

A. Call To Order

Meeting Start Time: 9:31 a.m.

Presiding Officer: Councilmember Strauss

Present: 9 - Dan Strauss, Maritza Rivera, Joy Hollingsworth, Robert Kettle, Cathy Moore, Tammy J. Morales, Sara Nelson, Rob Saka, Tanya Woo

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

D. Items of Business

[Inf 2596](#) Introduction and Overview

The Information Item (Inf) was heard in Committee.

- [CB 120912](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to the Payroll Expense Tax; adjusting the allocation of tax proceeds; eliminating the Payroll Expense Oversight Committee; amending Section 5.38.055 of the Seattle Municipal Code; adding a new Section 5.38.105 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and repealing Section 3.35.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 7 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Saka, Woo

Opposed: 2 - Moore, Morales

2. [CB 120906](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to the levy of property taxes; fixing the rates and/or amounts of taxes to be levied, and levying the same upon all taxable property, both real and personal, in The City of Seattle, to finance the departments and activities of City government and to provide for the general obligation bond interest and redemption requirements, for the year beginning on the first day of January 2025; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

The Committee was at ease at 12:05 p.m.

The Committee was called back to order at 12:15 p.m.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 9 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka,Woo

Opposed: None

3. [CB 120907](#) AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2025, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2024; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 9 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka,Woo

Opposed: None

4. [CB 120905](#) AN ORDINANCE adopting a budget, including a capital improvement program and position modifications, for The City of Seattle for 2025; and creating positions exempt from civil service; all by a 2/3 vote of the City Council.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 7 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Saka,Woo

Opposed: None

Abstain: 2 - Morales,Nelson

5. [CF 314539](#) City Council Changes to the 2025 - 2026 Proposed Budget and the 2025 - 2030 Proposed Capital Improvement Program.

The Committee recommends that City Council approve the Clerk File (CF).

In Favor: 9 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka,Woo

Opposed: None

6. [Res 32153](#) A RESOLUTION endorsing a budget and position modifications for The City of Seattle for 2026.

The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).

In Favor: 9 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Woo

Opposed: None

7. [CB 120908](#) AN ORDINANCE imposing an excise tax on the sale or exchange of certain capital assets in Seattle; adding a new Chapter 5.66 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and adding a new Section 5.45.050 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

The Committee recommends that City Council do not pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Strauss, Hollingsworth, Moore, Morales

Opposed: 4 - Rivera, Kettle, Nelson, Saka

Abstain: 1 - Woo

8. [CB 120909](#) AN ORDINANCE establishing a spending plan for proposed use of the proceeds generated from the capital gains excise tax authorized by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 120908; and adding a new Section 5.66.170 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

The Committee recommends that City Council do not pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 3 - Hollingsworth, Moore, Morales

Opposed: 5 - Strauss, Rivera, Kettle, Nelson, Saka

Abstain: 1 - Woo

9. [CB 120911](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Channel; stating the City Council's intent to establish dedicated and ongoing funding sources for the operating and capital costs of the Seattle Channel; and requesting that the Executive submit a funding plan by September 3, 2025.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 9 - Strauss, Rivera, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Woo

Opposed: None

E. Adjournment

Meeting Adjournment Time: 1:33 p.m.

Prepared by: Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk