



Seattle Council Committee Report

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Wednesday, April 22, 2020, 10:00 AM

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Please Note: Times listed are estimated

A. Call To Order

Meeting Start Time: 10:05 a.m.

Presiding Officer: Councilmember Mosqueda

The following Councilmembers were present and participating electronically:

Present: 9 - Teresa Mosqueda, Lisa Herbold, M. Lorena González , Debora Juarez, Andrew Lewis, Tammy J. Morales, Alex Pedersen, Kshama Sawant, Dan Strauss

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

D. Items of Business

1. [Inf 1629](#) Spring Economic and Revenue Forecast Update

The Information Item (Inf) was heard in Committee.

2. **Introduction and discussion on the Payroll Expense Tax Package (CB 119772, 119773, & 119774), presented by Kirstan Arestad, Executive Director, and Council Central Staff (90 minutes)**

The Information Item (Inf) was heard in Committee.

[CB 119774](#) AN ORDINANCE establishing a spending plan for the proceeds generated from the payroll expense tax authorized by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 119772 to fund immediate cash assistance for low-income households impacted by the COVID-19 crisis in 2020 and the development of social housing that is permanently affordable, high-quality, and energy-efficient, to fund housing-related components of Seattle's Green New Deal as articulated in Resolution 31895, and to fund other investments; establishing a Social Housing Board and amending the duties of the Green New Deal Oversight Board to make funding recommendations; establishing a requirement for an Implementation Plan; adding a new Section 3.14.750 to, and amending Section 3.14.979 of, the Seattle Municipal Code; amending Ordinance 126000, which adopted the 2020 Budget; changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the 2020 Budget; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

[CB 119772](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to taxation; imposing a payroll expense tax on persons engaging in business in Seattle; adding a new Chapter 5.38 to the Seattle Municipal Code; amending Sections 5.30.010, 5.30.060, 5.55.010, 5.55.040, 5.55.060, 5.55.150, 5.55.165, 5.55.220, 5.55.230, and 6.208.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

[CB 119773](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to the financing of responses to the civil emergency; authorizing the loan of funds from the Low Income Housing Fund to the General Fund; authorizing the loan of funds from the Housing Incentive Fund to the General Fund; authorizing the loan of funds from the Families Education and Preschool Promise Levy Fund to the General Fund; authorizing the loan of funds from the Move Seattle Levy Fund to the General Fund; authorizing the loan of funds from the Seattle Parks District Fund to the General Fund; authorizing the loan of funds from the 2019 Library Levy Fund to the General Fund; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

E. Adjournment

Meeting Adjournment Time: 1:38 p.m.

Prepared by: Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk