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**CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**ORDINANCE** \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule authorized by Section 15.04.074 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

WHEREAS, Section 15.04.074 of the Seattle Municipal Code authorizes and directs the Director of Transportation to prepare and recommend to the City Council, for passage by ordinance, a schedule of fees applicable to all street and sidewalk use permits (“the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule”) commensurate with the cost of administering, reviewing, inspecting, and policing involved in issuing and continuing the permits and the uses granted by the permits; and

WHEREAS, Use and Occupation fees currently do not cover the full cost of permit issuance, inspection, and plan review, and Street Use permits must fully recover their cost to comply with the Seattle Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that those wishing to use public rights-of-way should bear the costs associated with obtaining appropriate street and sidewalk use permits; and

WHEREAS, Street Use rates were last substantially adjusted on January 1, 2011, with periodic changes since then to address new costs; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) seeks to maintain adequate staffing as permit volumes fluctuate with the demand for use of the right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, by moving to an hourly basis for recovering plan review and inspection fees, SDOT seeks to incentivize permittees who submit plans largely in conformance with SDOT’s Standard Specifications and manage construction impacts by using the best suited workforce, materials, and methods; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The SDOT Street Use Permit Fee Schedule, last substantially amended by Ordinance 123477, and as further amended by Ordinances 123600, 123611, 123659, 123907, 124159, 124532, 124770, and 123485 as amended by Ordinance 123585, is replaced by the SDOT Street Use Permit Fee Schedule attached as Attachment A.

Section 2. This ordinance and attachment shall take effect on March 31, 2016.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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Attachments:

Attachment A - SDOT Street Use Permit Fee Schedule