

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to decreasing militarization of police activities; adding a new Section

3.28.140 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

**Sponsors:** Lisa Herbold

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Attachments: 1. Summary and Fiscal Note, 2. Signed Ord\_125472, 3. Affidavit of Publication

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11/15/2017	1	Select Budget Committee	pass	Pass
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#### **CITY OF SEATTLE**

ORDINANCE				
COUNCIL BILL				

AN ORDINANCE relating to decreasing militarization of police activities; adding a new Section 3.28.140 to the Seattle Municipal Code.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Defense 1033 Program (1033 program) is a federal program authorized by

Congress under Section 1033 of the National Defense Authorization Act (codified at 10 U.S.C. §2576

(a)) that permits the Secretary of Defense to transfer, without charge, excess U.S. Department of

Defense personal property (supplies and equipment) to state and local law enforcement agencies

(LEAs); and

- WHEREAS, equipment transferred to state and local law enforcement under the 1033 Program included vehicles (land, air, and sea), weapons, computer equipment, fingerprint equipment, night vision equipment, radios and televisions, first aid equipment, tents and sleeping bags, photographic equipment, and more; and
- WHEREAS, the 1033 Program was curtailed by President Obama in May 2015 following recommendations from a task force on perceived militarization of the police following 2014 events in Ferguson, Missouri, but revived by President Trump under Executive Order in August 2017; and
- WHEREAS, starting in 2015 the City, through the Seattle Police Department (SPD), began the process of closing out its account for the 1033 program with the program manager in Olympia and returned all accountable equipment to Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM). SPD completed the closure process later that year and has not had any involvement in reutilization of military surplus equipment since; and
- WHEREAS, SPD returned all items obtained through the 1033 program to date except for 68 pairs of coveralls, 40 pairs of gloves, and one metal utility cabinet; and
- WHEREAS, although SPD has substantially and effectively withdrawn from the federal 1033 program, the City desires to make SPD's withdrawal a permanent and lasting policy as well as practice; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. A new Section 3.28.140 of the Seattle Municipal Code is added to Subchapter I of Chapter 3.28 as follows:

## 3.28.140 Federal 1033 program prohibited

The Seattle Police Department shall not participate in the United States Department of Defense 1033 program authorized by Congress under Section 1033 of the National Defense Authorization Act (codified at 10 U.S.C. §2576(a)) or its successor, or any other federal program that transfers excess military equipment to civilian law enforcement agencies at reduced or no cost.

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Section 2. The Seattle Police Department shall immediately take any and all steps necessary to officially withdraw its participation in the United States Department of Defense 1033 program, including but not limited to notifying the Law Enforcement Support Office of the federal Defense Logistics Agency and fulfilling any final disposition audit requirements.

approved and returned by the Mayor v	vithin ten days after pre	sentation, it shall take effect as provided b
ttle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.		
Passed by the City Council the	day of	, 2017,
and signed by me in open session	in authentication of its p	passage this day of
, 2017.		
	President	_ of the City Council
Approved by me this day of		, 2017.
	Tim Burgess, Mayor	
Filed by me this day of		, 2017.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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