

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities; authorizing the Director of Seattle Public Utilities to accept specified grants from the King County Flood Control District and the Washington State Department of Ecology and to execute, deliver, and perform corresponding agreements; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation would authorize Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) to accept three grants worth \$3,220,000 for two projects. Two of the grants are from the King County Flood Control District (District) for the South Portland Street Drainage Improvement Project (C312067) and the Thornton Creek Confluence Floodplain Project (C408023). The third grant is from the Washington Department of Ecology for the Thornton Creek Confluence Floodplain Project (C408023).

Background:

South Portland Street Drainage Improvement Project:

South Portland Street is in the mostly industrial lower 7th Ave Basin of the South Park Neighborhood. The area is subject to localized flooding in moderate storm events and at periods of high tides because the stormwater system in the area consists of an informal and incomplete system of pipes, ditches and informal drainage channels.

This project is part of a multi-phased approach to reduce flooding in South Park and is being conducted in cooperation with SDOT, which is extending the West Duwamish Trail along the south side of South Portland Street and paving the street between SR99/ 2nd Ave S and 8th Ave S. The project will construct approximately 1,800 linear feet of storm drains.

Thornton Creek Confluent Floodplain Project:

This project is in north Seattle near Nathan Hale High School and the Meadowbrook Community Center. Thornton Creek floods on a regular basis overtopping an arterial road (35th Avenue NE), and flooding adjacent buildings, residences, and occasionally the high school. The proposed project would replace the culvert under 35th Avenue NE with a bridge, reconnect Thornton Creek to its historic floodplain at the confluence of its North and South branches, re-align the stream to a more natural configuration, re-vegetate the floodplain and riparian areas and improve in stream habitat for fish, which includes endangered Chinook salmon.

Please check one of the following:

This legislation does not have any financial implications.

This legislation has financial implications.

Additional appropriations are not needed. Project funding is included in the 2014 Adopted Budget.

**Anticipated Revenue/Reimbursement Resulting from this Legislation:
South Portland Street Drainage Improvement Project**

Fund Name and Number	Department	Revenue Source	2014 Revenue	2015 Revenue
Drainage & Wastewater Fund - 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	King County Flood Control District (grant)	\$1,500,000	
TOTAL				

Spending/Cash Flow:

Fund Name & #	Department	Budget Control Level*	2014 Expenditures	2015 Anticipated Expenditures
Drainage & Wastewater Fund - 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	C380B	\$1,500,000	
TOTAL				

* See budget book to obtain the appropriate Budget Control Level for your department.

Thornton Creek Confluence Floodplain Project

Fund Name and Number	Department	Revenue Source	2014 Revenue	2015 Revenue
Drainage & Wastewater Fund – 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	King County Flood Control District (grant)	\$520,000	
TOTAL				

Spending/Cash Flow:

Fund Name & #	Department	Budget Control Level*	2014 Expenditures	2015 Anticipated Expenditures
Drainage & Wastewater Fund – 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	C380B	\$520,000	
TOTAL				

Thornton Creek Confluence Floodplain Project

<u>Fund Name and Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>2014 Revenue</u>	<u>2015 Revenue</u>
Drainage & Wastewater Fund – 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	Washington Department of Ecology (grant)	\$1,200,000	
TOTAL				

Spending/Cash Flow:

<u>Fund Name & #</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Budget Control Level*</u>	<u>2014 Expenditures</u>	<u>2015 Anticipated Expenditures</u>
Drainage & Wastewater Fund – 44010	Seattle Public Utilities	C380B	\$1,200,000	
TOTAL				

Other Implications:

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
No.
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
Failure to approve this legislation would result in \$3.22 million in forgone revenue.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
No
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?**
The alternative would be to fund this portion of the project with capital financing – 75% bond funds and 25% cash financing.
- e) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**
No
- f) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**
No
- g) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**
No
- h) **Other Issues:**