

August 6, 2018

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

### **SUBJECT**

2nd Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program Plan.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the public hearing.

### **STAFF CONTACTS**

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### **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

State law (RCW 35A.34.110) requires that the City Council hold a public hearing to develop the budget for the City. A legally required public hearing must be held prior to the Council adopting the budget.

The public hearing is an opportunity for residents and other stakeholders to provide input on the budget update, including all proposed levies, taxes, fees, and rates to aid the City Council and staff prior to development of the city's 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan.

### **BACKGROUND**

The public hearing scheduled for August 6 represents the second of three public hearings planned for the City's 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 CIP Plan. The purpose of the public hearing is to enable the City Council and City management to hear public comment prior to development and publication of the Preliminary Budget, which is scheduled to be presented to the Council in October. This public hearing is in keeping with Bellevue's long history of overall citizen involvement with the budget process. All information can be found on the City's budget information page located at: <https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/finance/budget-and-performance/budgets/public-involvement/>.

An initial public hearing was held on June 4. The final public hearing is scheduled for November, prior to adoption of the budget scheduled for December.

At all three public hearings on the City's 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 CIP Plan the public is invited to provide testimony on the operating and capital budgets, including all levies, taxes, fees, and rates.

A public hearing on the City's budget is required by State law and gives the public an opportunity to provide feedback to the Council before a final decision is made.

This public hearing was advertised in the Seattle Times on July 23 and July 30.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

If approved, this Motion becomes effective immediately upon Council adoption.

**OPTIONS**

1. Hold the initial public hearing on the 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program Plan.
2. Provide alternative direction to staff regarding the public hearing(s).

**RECOMMENDATION**

Option 1

**MOTION**

Move to open the initial public hearing on the 2019-2020 Budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program Plan.

**ATTACHMENTS**

A. Public Hearing Notice

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N/A