

# BUSINESS MEETING NOTE

seattle city council meeting on council bill 118402

Location: seattlecitycouncil\_06292015\_cb 118402

Date: june 29, 2015

## ATTENDEES:

- speaker 1
- speaker 3
- speaker 5
- speaker 6
- councilmember rasmussen
- councilmember lakota
- councilmember bagshaw
- councilmember burgess
- additional councilmembers and attendees not individually named

## Agenda Items:

- council bill 118402 regarding transportation funding and improvements.
- the substitution of version four for council bill 118402.
- the unanimous adoption of the amended bill version four.
- detailed discussion on the transportation funding and improvements, including budget allocations and specific project outlines.
- concerns and improvements raised by councilmember lakota.
- support and additional suggestions by councilmember bagshaw.
- closing summary and acknowledgments by speaker 6 and speaker 1.

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## Summary:

the meeting focused on the comprehensive discussion and subsequent passage of council bill 118402, which aims to address seattle's transportation funding and improvement needs through the levy of regular property taxes for up to nine years. speaker 6 provided an elaborate explanation on the necessity of the bill highlighting its major components, including maintenance and repair of bridges and streets, congestion relief, and funding for safe routes and transportation infrastructure improvements. concerns regarding the fairness of the financial burden distribution and the bill's larger size compared to its predecessor were voiced by councilmember lakota. councilmember bagshaw expressed strong support, emphasizing the significance of the investments in congestion reduction, maintenance, and safety, while acknowledging the collective effort and leadership in reframing the investments. the discussion concluded with the unanimous passage of the bill and the signing by the chair, underscoring a collective resolve to meet public transportation demands and ensure equitable distribution of resources across seattle.

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## Notes:

- the meeting underscored a significant collaborative effort among council members, public advocates, and city departments to address transportation concerns.
- emphasis was placed on the importance of public input and the collective responsibility in maintaining and improving the city's transportation infrastructure.
- several council members raised concerns about the potential financial impact on renters and the overall size of the levy, highlighting the need for equitable and fair distribution of the financial burden.
- acknowledgments were made to various staff, community advocates, and organizations that contributed to shaping the bill, demonstrating a wide range of community engagement and support.
- the detailed discussion and passage of council bill 118402 serve as a testament to seattle's commitment to addressing transportation issues and improving citywide accessibility and safety.