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Amendment 3 to CB 120093 - 2021 Federal ARPA Funds

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Modify intent language regarding future spending on Keep Moving Streets.

Amend Section 9, adding a new subsection 9.C, of CB 120093 as follows:

Section 9. Future Actions. By establishing this Section 9, the Council and the Mayor express their policy intent to implement via future legislation the following:

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C. The City, through a future appropriation bill, will use federal funds or other resources for the Seattle Department of Transportation to make the Alki Point, Green Lake, and Lake Washington Boulevard Keep Moving Streets permanent. This will include resources to conduct equitable community outreach before making final decisions on how and what permanent changes would be implemented, prioritizing input from communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, including: Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and other communities of color; immigrants and refugees; and people with disabilities.

Effect: This amendment expresses Council’s intent to provide funding through future appropriations to the Department of Transportation to conduct community outreach and provide capital resources needed to make Keep Moving Streets permanent. Keep Moving Streets are streets adjacent to major parks that are closed to people driving and open to recreate safely (walk, bike, and play.) In 2020, the areas where the City opened Keep Moving Streets included Alki Point, Green Lake, Lake Washington Boulevard, and Golden Gardens.

Currently, Golden Gardens Dr NW is not an active Keep Moving Street. Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) observed crowding and mask-noncompliance at Golden Gardens Park during the recent warm, sunny weekend, and are considering closing the parking lots and reopening Golden Gardens Dr NW to people walking. Regular communication between SDOT and SPR will determine whether to move forward with this Keep Moving Street.