

Office of the Mayor

Greg Nickels, Mayor

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Department Description

The mission of the Mayor's Office is to provide honest, accessible leadership to citizens, employees, and regional neighbors of the City of Seattle that is clear and responsible, in an environment that encourages ideas, civic discourse, and inclusion for the entirety of the City's diverse population, creating an even better place to live, learn, work, and play.

The municipality of Seattle is a "strong Mayor" form of government, with the Mayor governing the Executive Branch as its chief executive officer. More than 25 department, office, and commission heads are appointed by the Mayor, work directly for the Mayor, and have been delegated the day-to-day authority to administer their respective departments, offices, and commissions. The many legal roles and responsibilities of the Mayor and those working directly for the Mayor are prescribed in the City Charter, state statutes, and municipal ordinances. Elections for this nonpartisan office are held every four years.

Mayor Nickels has established four priorities for his administration. Get Seattle Moving - recognize that transportation is a vital issue for our economy, the environment, and the people of Seattle. Keep Our Neighborhoods Safe - public safety is the paramount duty of the City and our police and fire personnel will have the training and equipment they need to make Seattle the most prepared city in the country. Create Jobs and Opportunity For All - economic opportunity during these difficult times means creating jobs and an environment that invites new investment. Build Strong Families and Healthy Communities - foster a renewed commitment to our neighborhoods and recognize that our diverse cultures bring life, vitality and economic growth to Seattle.

Policy and Program Changes

There are no program changes from the 2004 Endorsed Budget.

City Council Budget Changes and Provisos

The Council has placed certain restrictions on opinion-gathering activities and has limited the use of appropriated funds for polls and surveys to \$2,500 unless authorized by ordinance. See Appendix C for full proviso text.

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Appropriations	Summit Code	2002 Actual	2003 Adopted	2004 Endorsed	2004 Adopted
Office of the Mayor Budget Control Level	X1A10	1,802,118	2,358,227	2,419,647	2,344,974
Department Total		1,802,118	2,358,227	2,419,647	2,344,974
Department Full-time Equivalents Total*		21.00	23.50	23.50	23.50

**FTE totals provided for information only (2002 FTE reflect adopted numbers). Authorized positions are listed in Appendix A.*

Resources

General Subfund		1,802,118	2,358,227	2,419,647	2,344,974
Total		1,802,118	2,358,227	2,419,647	2,344,974

Office of the Mayor Budget Control Level

Purpose Statement

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Program Summary

Reduce amounts budgeted for personnel and travel budget items by \$66,000. The Office of the Mayor implemented this cut during 2003 to meet its mid-year expenditure reduction target.

Citywide adjustments to inflation assumptions reduce the budget by \$8,000, for a total reduction from the 2004 Endorsed Budget to the 2004 Adopted Budget of approximately \$75,000.

Expenditures/FTE	2002 Actual	2003 Adopted	2004 Endorsed	2004 Adopted
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