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CENTRAL STAFF SUMMARY

This SLI requests that Seattle Information Technology (Seattle IT) provide a series of reports on the usage of Artificial Intelligence (AI) across City departments.

During the 2026 budget process, via SLI ITD-010S-A, the Council first requested reporting on the uses and investments in AI. Seattle IT has been responsive to that request and has provided the first three quarterly reports in a timely manner, all of which can be found in Clerk File 323759.

Consistent with the 2026 SLI and Seattle IT's current report structure, the Council requests that the 2027 reports address:
1) Usage of AI across City departments, including pilot projects, integrations into existing technologies, and roadmaps for larger rollouts or distribution;
2) Financial costs for each of the AI initiatives (one-time and ongoing);
3) Plans for partnerships;
4) Significant lessons learned from prior testing and pilot projects; and
5) Workforce upskilling and education.

The Council requests that Seattle IT submit quarterly AI reports to the Governance and Utilities Committee.

Responsible Council Committee(s): Governance & Utilities

DUE DATE: April 1, 2027