

RESOLUTION R-5406

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE UPDATED VERSION OF THE KING COUNTY-CITIES CLIMATE COLLABORATION (K4C) JOINT LETTER OF COMMITMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND.

1 WHEREAS, the K4C, of which the City of Kirkland is a founding
2 and ongoing member, has developed an updated set of climate
3 commitments addressing shared actions by which to swiftly reduce
4 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions; and
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6 WHEREAS, the Kirkland Comprehensive Plan Environment
7 Element recognizes the harmful impacts to public health and businesses
8 of GHG output in the community and has established a target to reduce
9 GHG emissions by 50 percent by 2030, and 80 percent by 2050,
10 achieving a target for carbon neutrality by 2050; and
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12 WHEREAS, the City of Kirkland recognizes the use of best
13 available science in fighting climate change and the urgency with which
14 cities, counties and states must move to address the climate change
15 emergency; and
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17 WHEREAS, the City Council believes that signing the updated
18 version of the K4C Joint Letter of Commitment will help to continue to
19 promote the goal of reducing harmful GHG emissions; and
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21 WHEREAS, the City Council supports the K4C Joint Letter of
22 Commitment and finds that this Resolution is aligned with previous
23 climate protection related resolutions approved by the City of Kirkland,
24 including Resolution R-4659 (adopting GHG reduction targets - 2008),
25 Resolution R-4760 (adopting the Climate Protection Action Plan 2009),
26 and Resolution R-5077 (Authorizing the Mayor to sign the previous
27 version of the K4C Joint Letter of Commitments - 2014).
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29 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City
30 of Kirkland as follows:
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32 Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign
33 the updated 2019 version of the K4C Joint Letter of Commitment on
34 behalf of the City of Kirkland. A copy of the K4C Joint Letter of
35 Commitments is attached as Exhibit A.

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Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 10th day of December, 2019.

Signed in authentication thereof this 10th day of December, 2019.



Penny Sweet, Mayor

Attest:



Kathi Anderson, City Clerk