

RESOLUTION No. 31218

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6 WHEREAS, RCW 43.09.470 requires that the Washington State Auditor conduct independent,
7 comprehensive performance audits of local governments, including a review and analysis
8 of the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of the policies, management, fiscal affairs,
9 and operations of those agencies, programs, and accounts; and

10 WHEREAS, RCW 43.09.470 also requires that the legislative body of the entity audited conduct
11 a public hearing within 30 days of the Washington State Auditor's performance audit
12 report being made public and to submit annual reports by July 1st of each year detailing
13 the status of the implementation of the Washington State Auditor's recommendations;
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15 WHEREAS, in 2009 the Washington State Auditor's Office conducted a performance audit of
16 the City Light Department's operations and issued its performance audit report on March
17 16, 2010, which recommended several changes in the City Light's operations to improve
18 efficiency and reduce costs; and

19 WHEREAS, the Washington State Auditor's performance audit of City Light was welcomed by
20 the City Council and City Light as an opportunity to illustrate elements where reasonable
21 efficiencies can be created; and

22 WHEREAS, our country is in the most significant recession since the Great Depression and it is
23 important for departments of the City of Seattle to create reasonable efficiencies in their
24 operations; and

25 WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council has committed itself to open government practices and the
26 coordinated effort by the State Auditor, the Seattle City Council and City Light further
27 exemplifies the Council's commitment to transparency in government; and

28 WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing regarding the performance audit report on
the City Light Department on April 7, 2010; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THAT:

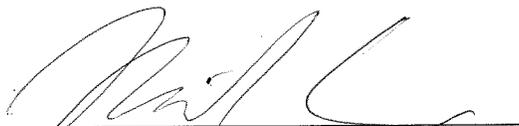


1 **Section 1.** The City Council requests City Light to submit annual reports to the City
2 Council for review and comment by June 1 of each year and to the Washington State Auditor's
3 Office by July 1 of each year detailing its progress in implementing the recommendations in the
4 March 2010 performance audit report by the Washington State Auditor's Office. The annual
5 reports will be submitted each year by City Light until it is no longer required by the Washington
6 State Auditor's Office to do so. The report will identify:

- 7 A. The recommended actions that have already been implemented,
8 B. The schedule for implementing any additional recommended actions,
9 C. Any corrective actions taken beyond those recommended in the performance audit
10 report, and
11 D. Where appropriate, an explanation of why City Light will not implement certain
12 recommended actions.
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15 **Section 2.** In view of the findings of the State Performance Audit of City Light and in
16 recognition that inefficiencies could become evident after further review, the City Council asks
17 the Office of the City Auditor to present a proposal for future periodic performance audits of
18 City Light to the Energy, Technology, and Civil Rights Committee by the end of 2010.
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20 Adopted by the City Council the 7th day of June, 2010, and signed by
21 me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 7th day
22 of June, 2010.

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25 President _____ of the City Council
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Filed by me this 7th day of June, 2010.

Carol Shub
City Clerk

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• **Summary of the Legislation:**

This resolution requests that City Light present a report on its progress in responding to the recommendations in the audit by June 1 each year to facilitate the City's compliance with filing a report by July 1 as required by state law. It also requests that the City Auditor's Office propose a plan to perform period reviews of the utility.

• **Background:**

RCW 43.09.470 (Initiative 900) requires the Washington State Auditor to conduct performance audits of, among other things, major local government agencies. In March 2010, the Auditor completed a performance review of City Light in which it made several recommendations. The statute further requires that the responsible legislative body—the City Council—submit a report to the Auditor by July 1st of each year detailing the status of the implementation of the recommendations, and to continue to do so until all of the recommendations have been addressed.

• *Please check one of the following:*

X **This legislation does not have any financial implications.** *(Stop here and delete the remainder of this document prior to saving and printing.)*



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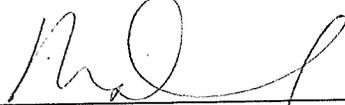
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RESOLUTION 31216

A RESOLUTION relating to the City Light Department; endorsing the City Light Department's Environmental Attributes Management Policy and establishing it as the policy governing wholesale transactions with respect to Renewable Energy Credits and greenhouse gas offsets within the utility in order to facilitate compliance with city, state, and potentially federal, requirements.

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RESOLUTION NO. 31219

A RESOLUTION relating to the City Light Department; adopting the recommendations of Energy and Environmental Economics Inc., on the preferred protocols and documentation to be used by City Light when proposing significant distribution capital projects to the City Council.

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