



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Title: A RESOLUTION reaffirming Seattle's commitment to the Climate Action Plan and setting expectations for increasing commercial building energy efficiency through the year 2035.

Date

Notes:

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Sponsors: O'Brien, Juarez, Sawant

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1	City Clerk	09/22/2016	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
	Notes:						
1	Council President's Office	09/22/2016	sent for review	Energy and Environment Committee			
	Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Energy and Environment Committee						
	Notes:						
1	Full Council	09/26/2016	referred	Energy and Environment Committee			
1	Energy and Environment Committee	09/27/2016	adopt as amended				Pass
	Action Text: The Committee recommends that Full Council adopt as amended the Resolution (Res).						
	In Favor: 2 Chair Sawant, O'Brien						
	Opposed: 0						

2 Full Council 10/10/2016 adopted Pass

Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution:

In Favor: 9 Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember Burgess, Councilmember
González , Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold,
Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember
O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant

Opposed: 0

2 City Clerk 10/10/2016 attested by City
Clerk

Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was attested by City Clerk.

Notes:

CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION 31714

A RESOLUTION reaffirming Seattle's commitment to the Climate Action Plan and setting expectations for increasing commercial building energy efficiency through the year 2035.

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council reaffirms its commitment to achieve the goals set forth in the Climate Action Plan ("Plan") passed by the City Council in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council recognizes that the City is not on track to achieve energy efficiency goals in commercial buildings set forth in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council recognizes that the energy efficiency path and achievement will become even more challenging in the future as the City gets closer to the goals set forth in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council recognizes that building efficiency improvements that coincide with regular building maintenance and equipment replacements are cost-effective and can have a positive return on investment for the building owner; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council recognizes that energy and water efficiency improvements have significant benefits to the community, bringing the advantages of the "Clean Energy Economy": reduced carbon emissions, reduced pollution with improved health, job creation, money kept in the City, increased competitiveness, and others; and

WHEREAS, Emerald Cities Seattle espouses the following examples of support structures and incentive programs that could result in substantial building energy efficiency improvements: on-bill-repayment, energy bonds, green bank, and/or other finance mechanisms; "Efficiency Support Centers" for commercial/multi-family buildings to provide coordination for incentive programs and project development assistance; access

1 to revolving lines of credit to secure funds to support project development; and incentives
2 to support the conversion from carbon-based fuels to zero- or low-carbon fuels; and

3 WHEREAS, the Seattle Energy Code for new buildings and substantial rehabilitation has been
4 very successful in improving building efficiency and Seattle is seen as a leader in the
5 country; NOW, THEREFORE,

6 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE THAT:**

7 Section 1. The Seattle City Council (“Council”) requests a report from the Office of
8 Sustainability and Environment (OSE) no later than December 31, 2020, on the following:

9 a. Energy savings resulting from efficiency tune-ups conducted on buildings with
10 non-residential uses of 200,000 square feet or larger.

11 b. Examples of support structures and incentives to promote the efficiency targets,
12 reflecting engagement with relevant stakeholders.

13 Section 2. By 2022, if OSE finds that Seattle has not reduced carbon emissions from the
14 commercial building sector by 27 percent compared with 2008 base year levels, which would
15 keep The City of Seattle on track to reach carbon neutrality by 2050, then Council requests OSE
16 to set efficiency targets, policies, and regulations for all commercial buildings over 50,000
17 square feet in Seattle as needed to reach the City’s goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. These
18 policies may encompass the following:

19 a. Prescriptive measures or performance measures that begin in 2024 to align with
20 the Climate Action Plan goals, coordinate with 2030 District goals, and achieve carbon neutrality
21 by 2050.

1 b. By 2025, mandatory performance or prescriptive measures for commercial
2 buildings if mandatory tune-ups and other improvements do not result in building efficiency
3 performance scores above the lowest quartile of performance scores measured in 2023.

4 c. By 2030, mandatory performance or prescriptive measures for commercial
5 buildings if mandatory tune-ups and other improvements do not result in building efficiency
6 performance scores above the median of performance scores measured in 2028.

7 d. By 2035, mandatory performance or prescriptive measures for commercial
8 buildings if mandatory tune-ups do not result in building energy performance scores in the upper
9 quartile of the performance scores measured in 2033.

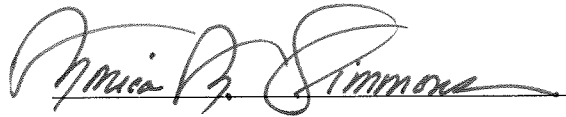
10 Section 3. Council recognizes that projects supported with City funds should incorporate
11 equity-enhancing requirements for contractors, owners, or property managers to the extent
12 possible and in proportion to the level of the City's contribution. Council also recognizes the
13 Community High Road Agreement that was adopted for Seattle's Residential Retrofit programs
14 as a suitable model equity-enhancing agreement.

1 Adopted by the City Council the 10th day of October, 2016,
2 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 10th day of
3 October, 2016.

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5 President _____ of the City Council

6 Filed by me this 10th day of OCTOBER, 2016.

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8 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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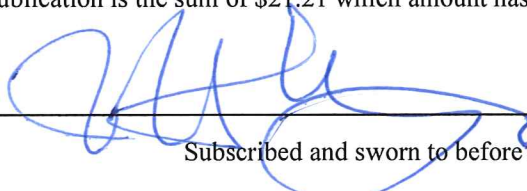
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