

RESOLUTION NO. 24-1960

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, IN **[SUPPORT/OPPOSITION]** OF WASHINGTON STATE BALLOT INITIATIVE 2117 CONCERNING CARBON TAX CREDIT TRADING

WHEREAS, a ballot measure titled “Initiative Measure No. 2117 concerns carbon tax credit trading” is scheduled to go to the voters at the Washington General Election on November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Secretary of State Elections Division has completed and certified signature verification for Initiative 2117; and

WHEREAS, Initiative 2117 reads as follows: This measure would prohibit state agencies from imposing any type of carbon tax credit trading, including “cap and trade” or “cap and tax” programs, regardless of whether the resulting increased costs are imposed on fuel recipients or fuel suppliers. It would repeal sections of the 2021 Washington Climate Commitment Act as amended, including repealing the creation and modification of a “cap and invest” program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by specific entities; and

WHEREAS, RCW 42.17A.555(1) authorizes the City Council to take action to express a collective decision, or to actually vote upon a motion, proposal, or ordinance, or to support or oppose a ballot measure so long as (a) the agenda includes the title and number of the ballot proposition, and (b) members of the public and councilmembers are afforded an approximately equal opportunity to express an opposing view; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the procedural mandates of RCW 42.17A.555, the City Council considered a resolution in support or opposition of Initiative 2117 at its August 8, 2024, Regular Meeting, during which of the public and Councilmembers were given approximately equal opportunity for expression of a supporting or opposing view on Initiative 2117; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Forest Park City Council desires to **[support/oppose]** Initiative 2117.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, as follows:

SECTION 1. SUPPORT/OPPOSE. The City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, Washington, adopts this resolution to officially **[support/oppose]** Initiative 2117 concerning carbon tax credit trading.

SECTION 2. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution, including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any references thereto.

PASSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE of the members of the Lake Forest Park City Council this 8th day of August, 2024.

APPROVED:

Thomas French
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Matt McLean
City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:
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