

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date April 13, 2023

Originating Department Executive

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Vice Chair Phillippa Kassover

Title Resolution 23-1893/Pledging the city's support for the RE+ (Zero Waste)

Program with King County

Legislative History

First Presentation
 February 23, 2023 – City Council Regular Meeting

Second Presentation April 13, 2023 – City Council Regular Meeting

Action

Attachments:

- 1. King County Solid Waste Division Re+ Pledge
- 2. Draft Resolution

Executive Summary

On February 23, 2023, representatives from the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Solid Waste Division, presented the zero-waste goal, which would reduce the volume of materials going into the landfill on an annual basis by approximately 500,000 tons. This would include zero food waste and zero waste of reusable resources.

Background

As presented at the February 23, 2023, council meeting, the move toward zero waste will provide significant benefits for the environment and the economy. It is estimated by the King County Solid Waste Division that zero waste would result in the preservation of 1 million trees, the recovery of enough food to feed 92,000 people, the creation of 500+ green jobs, the avoidance of \$24 million in future disposal costs and 150,000 fewer barrels of oil burned.

The proposed pledge aligns with many of the city's goals and actions being proposed by the Climate Action Committee and accelerates the progress toward achieving the goals and strategies of the King County Cities Climate Collaborative (K4C), of which the city is a member.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

N/A

Alternatives

Options	Results
 Schedule the adoption of the pledge by resolution for April 27, 2023 	The city will further support the commitment to zero waste
Do not schedule the pledge for adoption	The city will make its own commitments for waste reduction

Staff Recommendation

Review the proposed pledge and provide the administration with proposed amendments to the pledge to be reflected in the final resolution.