

## RESOLUTION NO. 24-1960

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, IN OPPOSITION OF WASHINGTON STATE BALLOT INITIATIVE 2117 CONCERNING CARBON TAX CREDIT TRADING

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**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 oppose Initiative 2117.

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

**SECTION 1. OPPOSE.** The City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, Washington, adopts this resolution to officially 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:

*Tom French*

Tom French (Aug 9, 2024 12:35 PDT)

Thomas French

Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

*Matt McLean*

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Matt McLean

City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: July 11, 2024

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: August 8, 2024

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