RESOLUTION NO. 414

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, AFFIRMING THE CITY OF SHORELINE’S SUPPORT FOR THE PRINCIPLES OF THE PARIS CLIMATE ACCORD

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Accord, an agreement within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, was entered into by 196 parties, including the United States of America, in December 2015; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Paris Climate Accord is to hold the increase in the global average temperature to well below two degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Paris Climate Accord, the United States of America pledged to cut emissions between 26 and 28 percent compared with 2005 levels by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline City Council affirms that climate change is occurring and has accelerated due to human activity, and that there are measures that can be taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, based on this understanding, the City of Shoreline has adopted a Climate Action Plan that upholds the City’s commitment to promote environmental sustainability and reduce greenhouse gas emissions generated by the City and the community; and

WHEREAS, through the City’s Climate Action Plan, the City is committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the community by 50 percent below 2007 levels by 2030, and 80 percent by 2050; and

WHEREAS, between 2009 and 2012, the City of Shoreline achieved an eight percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, the City has also partnered with King County and other jurisdictions in King County to coordinate and enhance city and County climate efforts by sharing subject matter experts, resources, tools, and to collaborate on grant and funding opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline City Council affirms that climate change is a paramount challenge with far-reaching consequences for our economy, environment, public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, it is the City of Shoreline’s intention to continue to support climate action to meet and exceed the Paris Climate Accord;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Council of the City of Shoreline affirms the principles of the Paris Climate Accord, and that the City will continue to support policies and programs aimed at reducing greenhouse
gas emissions and other activities that may lead to climate change, where feasible, including the continued implementation of the City’s Climate Action Plan.

The City Council of City of Shoreline also supports the Mayor of Shoreline signing onto the ‘We Are Still In’ and the National League of Cities ‘#Cities4Climate’ initiatives, which are national efforts affirming and supporting the Paris Climate Accord.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 19, 2017.

[Signature]
Christopher Roberts
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jessica Simulceik Smith, City Clerk