

**RESOLUTION NO. 497****A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR KING COUNTY'S RE+ PLEDGE TO MINIMIZE SOLID WASTE.**

WHEREAS, the Re+ program is a King County Solid Waste Division program dedicated to reducing the impact of climate change by preventing and reducing solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Re+ program outlines a pathway to achieve the goal of minimizing solid waste and King County is seeking to partner with cities on local implementation of key plan elements; and

WHEREAS, key actions for the Re+ program include identifying new ways of processing organics and recycling, developing recycling markets for organics, paper and plastic, and a community panel to engage historically underrepresented and adversely impacted community members to help guide future outcomes along with developing new markets that will create local jobs in the private sector, help build the green economy, and ensure a just and equitable impact on the members of our community; and

WHEREAS, supporting the Re+ program effort will help focus local governments on a joint effort and responsibility to make progress toward reducing local GHG emissions by increasing waste prevention and recycling, laying the foundation for developing a circular economy; and

WHEREAS, the Re+ Pledge aligns with the City's commitments and efforts to address climate change including:

- Shoreline Comprehensive Plan goal NE V;
- Shoreline City Council (2022-2024) Goal 2, Action Step 6;
- King County Joint Commitments to climate change action and targets through the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration;
- Shoreline Climate Action Plan; and
- Resolution No. 494 declaring a climate emergency and directing the City to take actions to address the climate crisis;

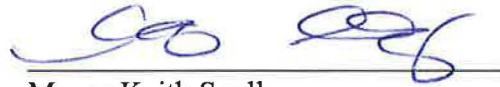
WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its support for the shared vision that the Re+ program represents;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE AS FOLLOWS:**

The Shoreline City Council expresses its support for King County's Re+ Pledge to Minimize Solid Waste and authorizes the City Manager to execute the Re+ Pledge as set forth in Exhibit A to this Resolution.

The Shoreline City Council further expresses the City's desire to work collaboratively with King County to identify ways to enhance the City's efforts to achieve the vision of the Re+ program in a fair, equitable and inclusive manner with implementation support from the County including competitive grants, model language for countywide program and policy implementation, and technical support.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 17, 2022.**



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Mayor Keith Scully

ATTEST:



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Jessica Simulcik Smith  
City Clerk



## Re+ Pledge

Re+ is a multi-year effort, set to formally launch in November 2022, to fulfill King County's goals of a zero-waste future and development of a zero-waste circular economy as outlined in the King County 2020 Strategic Climate Action Plan and 2019 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan.

Up to 70% of what currently goes into our regional landfill is reusable or recyclable. Our goal is to keep materials with economic value in use and out of our waste stream. The Re+ program is our pathway to success.

Implementing Re+ will ensure that we are keeping true to our commitments to reduce climate impacts, conserve resources, and create a healthier environment for our communities by keeping valuable materials out of the landfill and in use as long as possible.

Re+ is a roadmap for making that change.

Our approach aims to reinvent the current waste management system to be more resilient, equitable, and cost-effective through strategies necessary to meet our 2030 goal of zero food waste and zero waste of reusable resources.

Key actions include identifying new ways of processing organics and recycling, developing recycling markets for organics, paper and plastic, and a community panel to engage historically underrepresented and adversely impacted community members to help guide future outcomes. These new markets will create local jobs in the private sector, help build the green economy and ensure a just and equitable impact on the members of our community.

Re+ builds on the important work that many of our partners, including cities, the Port of Seattle, businesses, non-profits, community members, and the County are already doing to reduce contributions to climate change.

WHEREAS, climate change is an urgent challenge, with far-reaching current and future impacts to our environment, public health, and economy; and

WHEREAS, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions generated globally from the production, transport, use, and disposal of goods, foods, and services consumed in King County are a major part of our communities' climate footprint and are more than locally generated GHG emissions; and

WHEREAS, King County and K4C partners are measuring, reporting, and developing new strategies to reduce consumption-related GHG emissions; and

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WHEREAS, supporting the Re+ effort will help focus our joint effort and responsibility to make progress toward reducing local GHG emissions by increasing waste prevention and recycling, laying the foundation for developing a circular economy; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the success of Re+ will require collaboration between King County, local jurisdictions, tribes, businesses, community-based organizations, and others; and

WHEREAS, the Re+ Program is consistent with, consolidates, and accelerates progress towards achieving the approved goals and strategies of the 2020 Strategic Climate Action Plan, the 2019 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan, and the Joint Climate Action Commitment of the King County Cities Climate Collaborative (K4C) in relation to the County’s zero-waste goals; and

WHEREAS, we will work with the County to identify ways to enhance our efforts to achieve the vision of Re+ with implementation support from the County including competitive grants, model language for countywide program and policy implementation, and technical support; and

WHEREAS, as a core component of this important work we must engage in ways that are fair, equitable and inclusive for those who are historically under-represented and have been disproportionately impacted by the status quo in our communities.

Mission  
**Reducing** single use items  
**Reusing** everything that can be  
**Recycling** what’s left  
**Renewing** communities  
**Rethinking** what’s possible

Vision  
 Healthy, safe, and thriving communities  
 in a waste-free King County

Now, therefore, we pledge our support for the shared vision that Re+ represents and look forward to collaborating to see this vision become reality.

Signed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, by  
Debra Tarry, City Manager  
 Name, Title

on behalf of  
Shoreline  
 Jurisdiction



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