

RESOLUTION NO. 290

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON  
OPPOSING INITIATIVE 1033 ON THE NOVEMBER 3, 2009  
GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT LIMITING STATE AND  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES**

WHEREAS, Initiative 1033 on the November ballot will limit growth in city revenues deposited into the city current expense fund above 2009 levels, adjusted only for growth in inflation and population or voter-approved revenue increases, with revenues above the limit reducing property tax levies; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Revenue has released a fiscal impact statement on I-1033 estimating the fiscal impact for Washington cities will be a reduction in general fund revenues by \$2.1 billion between 2011 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City has conducted a public hearing on September 28, 2009 pursuant to RCW 42.17.130 allowing the Councilmembers and public an equal opportunity to express their views on this ballot proposition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that many costs of government such as health care, labor and energy rise faster than inflation and much faster than the 1 percent cap on property taxes, creating a continuing imbalance between revenues and expenditures for the same government service that would be exacerbated by I-1033 and require expensive elections to remedy; and

WHEREAS using historically low 2009 revenues as a baseline to measure future revenue growth would not allow the City to replenish reserve fund drawdowns or return to pre-recession service levels without ballot measures approving use of revenue growth from sales tax and fees restored with an improving economy;

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that it is in the best interests of the residents and property owners within the City of Shoreline that I-1033 be defeated;

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


**Section 1.** The City Council of the City of Shoreline hereby expresses its opposition to Initiative 1033 and encourages rejection by the voters at the state general election to be held on November 3, 2009.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2009.**

ORIGINAL

  
Cindy Ryu  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Scott Passey  
City Clerk