



# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Legislative Summary

Res 31843

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**Title:** A RESOLUTION endorsing "Clean Air Clean Energy" Initiative 1631, a statewide initiative to the people that would charge pollution fees on the largest corporate polluters and use the revenue to invest in healthy communities, clean our air and water, promote clean energy, and slow down the impacts of climate change - all under oversight of a public board.

**Notes:**

Date  
Filed with City Clerk: 10/19/2018

Mayor's Signature: 10/19/2018

**Sponsors:** O'Brien

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

**Attachments:**

**Drafter:** Emilia.Sanchez@seattle.gov

**Filing Requirements/Dept Action:**

**History of Legislative File**

Legal Notice Published:  Yes  No

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	City Clerk	10/03/2018	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	<b>Action Text:</b> The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
	<b>Notes:</b>						
1	Council President's Office	10/04/2018	sent for review	City Council			
	<b>Action Text:</b> The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the City Council						
	<b>Notes:</b>						
1	City Council	10/08/2018	referred	City Council			
	<b>Action Text:</b> The Resolution (Res) was referred. to the City Council						
	<b>Notes:</b>						
1	City Council	10/08/2018	adopted				Pass

Action Text: The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution:

Notes: ACTION 1:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 31843.

ACTION 2:

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON RESOLUTION 31843**

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington 42.17A.555 and Seattle Municipal Code 2.04.300, Council President Harrell provided the public an opportunity to speak in favor of or in opposition to Resolution 31843.

Alex Tsimerman addressed the Council in opposition to Resolution 31843.

*Councilmember Johnson left the Council Chamber at 2:33 p.m.*

Deejah Sherman-Peterson addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

*Councilmember Johnson entered the Council Chamber at 2:34 p.m.*

Anne Engstrom addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Andrea Faste addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Lucas Vargas Zeppetello addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Brian Emanuels addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Krish Royce addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Ali Lee addressed the Council in favor of Resolution 31843.

Public Comment on Resolution 31843 was closed.

ACTION 3:

In Favor: 9 Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember González, Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember Mosqueda, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant

Opposed: 0

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1	City Clerk	10/12/2018	submitted for Mayor's signature	Mayor
1	Mayor	10/19/2018	Signed	
1	Mayor	10/19/2018	returned	City Clerk
1	City Clerk	10/19/2018	attested by City Clerk	

**Action Text:** The Resolution (Res) was attested by City Clerk.

**Notes:**

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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION 31843

A RESOLUTION endorsing “Clean Air Clean Energy” Initiative 1631, a statewide initiative to the people that would charge pollution fees on the largest corporate polluters and use the revenue to invest in healthy communities, clean our air and water, promote clean energy, and slow down the impacts of climate change – all under oversight of a public board.

WHEREAS, the residents of Seattle and those throughout Washington State deserve to breath clean air, drink healthy water, and live in protected environments; and

WHEREAS, over 600,000 Washingtonians live with asthma and thousands more suffer from upper respiratory illnesses and diseases caused by air pollution; and

WHEREAS, climate change is one of the paramount challenges of our time and will have near- and long-term consequences for the economy, the environment, and public health and safety in Seattle and King County; and

WHEREAS, residents of Seattle and King County are already experiencing the impacts of a changing climate, including more extreme rainfall events, increasing flooding risk, and more frequent heat events that impact health; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council recognizes the need to pass on a safe, healthy environment and a stable climate to our children and future generations of Washingtonians; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Seattle City Council adopted Resolution 31447, formally adopting Seattle’s Climate Action Plan and goal of becoming carbon-neutral by 2050; and

WHEREAS, Seattle and 15 other local governments, whose members represent over 75 percent of the population of King County, are partnering through the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration to coordinate local government climate and sustainability action; and

1 WHEREAS, in 2018, Mayor Durkan released her Climate Action Strategy, with specific  
2 commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and meet Seattle's commitment to the  
3 Paris Climate Agreement; and

4 WHEREAS, Seattle is a signatory to the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration Joint Letter  
5 of Commitment, which includes the following:

6 Catalytic Policy Commitment: Advocate for comprehensive federal, regional and  
7 state science-based limits and a market-based price on carbon pollution and other  
8 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. A portion of revenue from these policies  
9 should support local GHG reduction efforts that align with these Joint County-  
10 City Climate Commitments, such as funding for transit service, energy efficiency  
11 projects, and forest protection and restoration initiatives.

12 and

13 WHEREAS, state, county, and City shared climate change goals cannot be met without the  
14 accelerated phase-out of electricity produced by burning fossil fuels and replacement  
15 with renewable energy, investments in energy efficiency, cleaner forms of transportation,  
16 and investments in healthy forests and agriculture, all of which will be aided by the  
17 passage of Initiative Measure 1631 ("I-1631"); and

18 WHEREAS, The City of Seattle supports policies that provide consumers with cleaner, more  
19 affordable, and more efficient fuel, energy, and transportation choices; and

20 WHEREAS, the largest corporate polluters, causing the most damage to our health, are currently  
21 not held accountable nor required to mitigate the damage they cause to our communities;  
22 and

23 WHEREAS, I-1631, by hastening a transition from polluting fossil fuel energy to clean energy,  
24 will create thousands of high-paying local jobs that contribute to local economies, in rural  
25 and urban communities alike, without hurting the health of their neighbors; and

1 WHEREAS, I-1631 will provide a source of funding that Seattle and other municipalities will be  
2 able to apply for, to help fund projects that reduce climate pollution and mitigate the  
3 effects of climate change; and

4 WHEREAS, I-1631 prioritizes the protection of communities disproportionately harmed by  
5 pollution by targeting investments to provide direct, meaningful, and assured benefits to  
6 those communities; and

7 WHEREAS, I-1631 provides assistance to families with low incomes as we transition to clean  
8 energy; and

9 WHEREAS, I-1631 invests in our state's natural resources, which are vital to our state's  
10 economy and industries like agriculture, timber, tourism, and fishing, and which protect  
11 our health by reducing pollution in the air and water, and secure our community by  
12 lowering the risk of fires, floods, and landslides; and

13 WHEREAS, I-1631 provides funding to restore and protect estuaries, fisheries, and marine  
14 shoreline habitats; prepare for sea level rise; increase sustainable supply of water; and  
15 improve infrastructure for treating stormwater; and

16 WHEREAS, I-1631 includes provisions for strong public oversight and accountability; and

17 WHEREAS, I-1631 respects tribal sovereignty and ensures that affected communities and tribal  
18 nations are consulted and involved in decision-making; and

19 WHEREAS, I-1631 was shaped by tribal nations and communities most affected by pollution  
20 and climate change, and is supported by an unprecedented coalition of businesses, labor  
21 unions, environmental and economic justice advocates, healthcare professionals,  
22 communities of color, faith-based organizations, and community leaders; and

1 WHEREAS, I-1631 provides Washington State an opportunity to lead the nation and set an  
2 example in how to address pollution and climate change in an equitable and economically  
3 responsible manner; and

4 WHEREAS, after notice in accordance with RCW 42.17A.555 and Seattle Municipal Code  
5 Section 2.04.300, persons in favor of Initiative 1631 and those opposed to it have been  
6 given an equal opportunity to share their views in an open public meeting; NOW,  
7 THEREFORE,

8 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE**  
9 **MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

10 Section 1. The Seattle City Council and Mayor Jenny Durkan urge Seattle voters to vote  
11 “Yes” on Initiative 1631 in the November 6, 2018, general election.

1 Adopted by the City Council the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018,

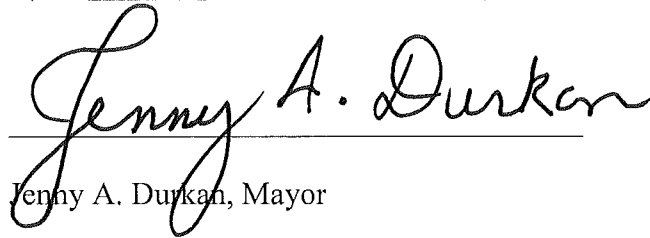
2 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 8<sup>th</sup> day of

3 October, 2018.

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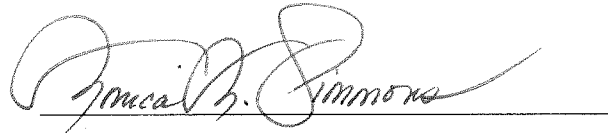
5 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

6 The Mayor concurred the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

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8 Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

9 Filed by me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2018.

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11 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

12 (Seal)



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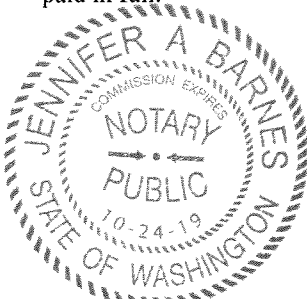
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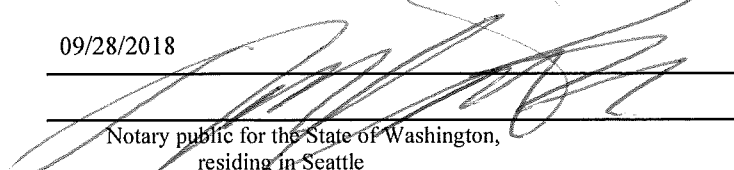
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# State of Washington, King County

## City of Seattle

The full text of the following legislation, passed by the City Council on September 10, 2018, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://seattle.legistar.com>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>.

### **Resolution 31834**

A RESOLUTION expressing The City of Seattle's opposition to offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration activities, including seismic airgun blasting.

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, September 28, 2018.  
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