

## Resolution #18-46C

### **A RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO LEVY A REVENUE-NEUTRAL FEE ON THE CARBON IN FOSSIL FUELS**

**WHEREAS**, climate change has been widely recognized by government, business and academic leaders as a worldwide threat with the potential to harm our economy, safety, public health, and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-term consequences of climate change are devastating to our tourism and recreation-based economy, and quality of life, such as increased heat, prolonged drought, destructive wildfires, increased flooding, reduced stream flow; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandy City recognizes the threats of climate change and pledges to take a leadership role in promoting public awareness, education, and outreach regarding how the economy, the environment, and societal well-being interrelate to each other within the confluence of climate change, thus better preparing our citizens to both mitigate the impacts of climate change and confront the negative impacts of climate change in a more productive manner; and

**WHEREAS**, we are joined in taking action on climate change by a global coalition of cities, counties, state and national governments and community and private sector leaders who recognize the importance and potential of these actions to protect and enhance the well-being of current and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, the transition away from fossil fuels can be accelerated through a market-driven mechanism, such as a carbon fee and dividend that would encourage and empower residents to reduce and replace their consumption of fossil fuels with renewable and other alternative energy sources through conservation, being more efficient, and choosing less carbon-intensive energy sources; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandy City encourages the United States Congress to pass legislation that levies a revenue-neutral fee on the carbon in fossil fuels at the point of production and importation sufficient to encourage individuals and corporations to produce and use less fossil fuels and to make the transition less onerous on the economy and to consumers by returning to American households all the revenues generated from this fee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of Sandy City, Utah strongly urge the United States Congress to pass legislation that levies a revenue-neutral fee on the carbon in fossil fuels as part of our commitment to show sustainability leadership at a local, regional, state and national level.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Sandy City Council this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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Steve Fairbanks, Chairman  
Sandy City Council

PRESENTED to the Mayor this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

APPROVED by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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Kurt Bradburn, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Recorder

RECORDED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018