

From: [Kay Lee](#)
To: [Paul Brewster](#)
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Subject: Re: Invitation - Stakeholder Committee, Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan
Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 9:07:43 PM
Attachments: [Climate Inheritance Resolution.pdf](#)

Hello Paul!

If you may have heard, the Olympia High School Climate Action Club presented to the city council last night about our views on climate change. We also asked the city to consider a Climate Inheritance Resolution which would commit the city to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040. Here is the link to the video http://olympia.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=2015&meta_id=167733 if you would like to check it out!

After our presentation, Rich Hoey reminded us of our opportunity to be on the stakeholder committee of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan, and we were wondering what you would suggest the next steps be for our youth involvement in passing this Climate Inheritance Resolution and working with the committee!

I've also attached the draft of the Climate Inheritance Resolution below if you would like to look at it.

We are very excited to take part in this amazing climate movement!

Kaylee Shen and Emma Song

On Fri, Apr 12, 2019 at 9:30 AM Paul Brewster <brewstp@trpc.org> wrote:

Climate Inheritance Resolution Draft

Olympia High School Climate Action Club

May 2019

A Resolution expressing the commitment of the Olympia City Council to protect the children and grandchildren of this community from the risks of climate destruction.

WHEREAS, the United States is the only country in the world that is withdrawing from the landmark Paris Climate Agreement, leaving the burden of countering climate change to state and municipal governments;

WHEREAS, the greatest burden resulting from an inadequate response to the climate crisis will be carried by the youngest generation, and all who follow;

WHEREAS, the risks from an inadequate response are potentially devastating, and include economic and environmental disruptions many of which are already being felt such as more severe storms, longer and hotter heat waves, worsening flood and drought cycles, growing invasive species and insect problems, accelerated species extinction rates, rising sea levels, increased wildfires, and a dramatic increase in refugees from climate impacted lands;

WHEREAS, the forest fires in the pacific northwest during the summer of 2019 have contaminated and polluted the air breathed by all the citizens of this region;

WHEREAS, numerous governmental and non-governmental bodies across the nation and the world have already adopted climate action plans to immediately and rapidly reduce greenhouse gas emissions while also stopping them entirely within 25 years;

WHEREAS, youth of Olympia have brought this council a Youth Climate Report Card highlighting the gap between what we are doing today and actions that would be necessary to protect their future;

WHEREAS, youth of Olympia have indicated a willingness to work with this Council on such actions, we, therefore, declare it:

RESOLVED, that Olympia City Council commits to modify the Sustainable Thurston Plan to set a goal of reaching net zero carbon emissions by 2040.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Thurston Regional Planning will create a formal role for youth within 30 days in the implementation and modification of the Climate Action Plan.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by _____ in _____ on
_____ with a quorum present.

Signed by: _____

Attest: _____