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ANC3C Resolution 2018-024 **Regarding the Carbon Fee Initiative**

Whereas, international scientific consensus overwhelmingly shows that anthropogenic climate change is real and that mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions can substantially reduce the risks associated with anthropogenic climate change;

Whereas, Mayor Muriel Bowser, in support of the Paris Climate Accord, has committed to make the District carbon-neutral and climate resilient by 2050;¹

Whereas, in support of mitigating greenhouse gas emissions, Councilmember Mary Cheh proposed a carbon fee structure that begins to address the District's contributions to anthropogenic climate change;

Whereas a carbon fee aims to attach a price to carbon dioxide pollution to recover the full social cost of carbon pollution, the leading cause² of anthropogenic climate change;

Whereas, a carbon fee that applies to distributors of oil and natural gas in the District, as well as carbon-generating electricity and emissions linked to transportation (exempting public transit), will reduce pollution and encourage more environmentally friendly alternatives;³

Therefore, be it resolved that:

ANC 3C supports a carbon fee to ensure the District meets its 2032 climate and energy goals;

ANC 3C supports a carbon fee paid by oil and natural gas distribution companies for oil and natural gas distributed in the District;

ANC 3C supports a carbon fee paid by suppliers of carbon-intensive electricity to end users in the District;

ANC 3C also supports an excise tax on automobiles tied to emissions standards, rather than just vehicle weight and market value, with an exemption for used cars 7 or more years old;

ANC 3C supports a carbon fee that taxes carbon at a rate of \$20 per ton beginning in fiscal year 2019 and increases \$10 per year per CO₂ ton, but is capped at \$150 per year per ton of CO₂;

¹ <https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-commits-make-washington-dc-carbon-neutral-and-climate-resilient-2050>

² <https://climate.nasa.gov/causes/>

³ David Pearce. "The Role of Carbon Taxes in Adjusting to Global Warming." *The Economic Journal* 101, no. 407 (1991): 938-48.

ANC 3C supports a greenhouse gas emissions fee on motor fuel sales or distribution should Maryland or Virginia impose a statewide greenhouse gas emissions fee and such District fee should be of up to an equal amount;

ANC 3C supports directing 20% of revenue from the carbon fee to greenhouse gas reduction programs, with a focus on energy efficiency and supporting greener buildings, as well as the installation or retrofit of HVAC and other large building systems with a priority on older buildings that serve as low-income or below market rate housing;

ANC 3C supports directing 75% of revenue to all residents, with an enhanced rebate for residents at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines;

ANC 3C supports directing the remaining 5% of revenue to operating-cost relief for small businesses.

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Chair and the Commissioners for 3C04 and 3C05 are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

Attested by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy J. MacWood". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "N".

Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on July 16, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on July 16, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.