

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING AUTHORIZATION AND SIGNATURE BY THE CITY MANAGER AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE WASHINGTON ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Washington State Electric Vehicle Charging Program (WAEVCP) was created by Governor Inslee, the Washington State Legislature, and the Washington State Department of Commerce to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, and promote equity in access to electric vehicle charging infrastructure; for a cleaner, greener future; and

WHEREAS, the program provides \$64 million in awards to install electric vehicle (EV) chargers, with a focus on installations for multifamily housing, public charging locations, tribal communities, and other historically underserved and overburdened communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia recognizes that promoting cleaner and healthier methods of transportation is vital in lowering greenhouse gas emissions and achieving healthier air quality in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan identifies increasing the adoption of electric vehicles as a key strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, access to reliable, convenient, and affordable EV charging is critical to enabling EV ownership. The US Department of Energy estimates that over 80% of all EV charging occurs at home. However, renters are often unable to access or install a charger where they park at home; and

WHEREAS, workplace and multifamily EV charging infrastructure is key to scaling EV development and ensuring equitable access to EV charging, particularly for renters and others who are unable to access home charging; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has been awarded funding from the Washington State Electric Vehicle Charging Program to install EV chargers at 5 multifamily housing sites, 2 fleet depot sites, and 4 workplace sites. For this award, the City will receive a \$386,250 reimbursement for costs incurred for installation; and

WHEREAS, per Olympia Municipal Code Subsection 3.16.020.C, it is necessary for the City Council to approve the Grant Agreement and authorize the signature of all documents necessary to obligate funds for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the Grant Agreement between the City of Olympia and the Washington State Electric Vehicle Charging Program for the EV Charger Installation Project and the terms and conditions contained therein.
2. The City Manager is directed and authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the Grant Agreement, and any other documents necessary to obligate funds for the EV Charger Installation Project, and to make any amendments or minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Grant Agreement, or to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2024.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jake Stillwell

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY