



City Council

Approval of a Resolution Declaring that the City of Olympia Supports the United States Entry into the Treaty To Prohibit Nuclear Weapons

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve a Resolution declaring that the City of Olympia supports the United States entry into the Treaty to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution declaring that the City Of Olympia supports the United States Entry into the Treaty to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None. Consent Calendar item.

Background and Analysis:

The United National Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) was adopted on July 7, 2017, after two rounds of negotiations at the UN General Assembly.

The TPNW was ratified on October 24, 2020, when it was entered into by the 50th country, the Republic of Honduras. As a result, the treaty entered into force on January 22, 2021, and nuclear weapons joined the ranks of chemical and biological weapons as weapons of mass destruction prohibited by international law.

The passing of the treaty is a key milestone towards the elimination of nuclear weapons.

The United States has not yet signed or ratified the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

Climate Analysis:

This project is not expected to have an impact on greenhouse gas emissions.

Equity Analysis:

The use of nuclear weapons is a humanitarian concern. Historically nuclear development, testing, and use have been disproportionately borne by indigenous communities and people of color.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Each year, Olympia community members bring forward their desire to elevate the topic of nuclear disarmament and to urge the United States to enter into the United Nations Treaty to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons.

Financial Impact:

There is no financial impact related to this item.

Options:

1. Move to approve a Resolution declaring that the City of Olympia supports the United States entry into the Treaty to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons.
2. Amend and move to approve the recommendations related to standing up an Olympia Youth Council.
3. Take other action.

Attachments:

Resolution