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### **Passionate About the Environment? Mayors' Climate Protection Committee Is Seeking New Members**

*Members Would Join Fellow Community Volunteers and City Staff in Mission to Encourage Edmonds to Conserve Resources and Address Impacts of Climate Change*

**(Edmonds, WA)** – The Mayors' Climate Protection Committee is putting out the call for new members who are interested in serving on the committee and supporting its mission to effectively address the issues of climate change in our community. It is a volunteer position and committee members meet the first Thursday of each month from 8:45am to 10:00am. Members do not have to reside in Edmonds and there are no terms limits.

The mission of the Mayors' Climate Protection Committee is to:

1. Encourage citizens to be a part of the solution
2. Encourage City staff and citizens to conserve current resources
3. Work with the Administration and City Council to implement ideas and strategies
4. Effectively address the future impacts of climate change

Last June, Mayor Dave Earling signed onto the [Mayors National Climate Action Agenda](#). In taking that action, Mayor Earling stated that, "In light of the [President's] decision to withdraw from the Paris Accord, I feel it important for our city to emphasize our local commitment to,

and continued effort to improve our environment.” Statistics show that cities account for 78 percent of all greenhouse gas emissions.

“The Mayors’ Climate Protection Committee aims to demonstrate that when it comes to impacting our environment, people are not only the problem – but the solution,” says Committee Member and Edmonds City Council Member Diane Buckshnis. “This committee is a wonderful way for citizens who are passionate about protecting our environment to have a seat at the table as we work towards researching and implementing effective solutions to protect and cherish our environment.”

The committee encourages interested new applicants to please contact: Carolyn LaFave in the Mayor’s Office – 425.771.0247 or [carolyn.lafave@edmondswa.gov](mailto:carolyn.lafave@edmondswa.gov).

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