

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA  
CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-077**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA SUPPORTING THE NATIONAL CARBON FEE AND DIVIDEND PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SEND LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO CONGRESSMAN PANETTA AND THE MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, according to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, current atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide are at unprecedented levels in at least the last 800,000 years, and these concentrations are associated with unequivocal warming of the climate system with many adverse changes intensifying over the past decades;

WHEREAS, continued emission of greenhouse gases will cause further warming and long-lasting changes in our climate, increasing the likelihood of severe and irreversible impacts for people and ecosystems;

WHEREAS, urgent action is needed across the United States to shift energy production and consumption away from fossil fuels to more environmentally sensitive solutions;

WHEREAS, the Carbon Fee and Dividend Program's legislative principles proposed by the Citizen's Climate Lobby, a non-profit, nonpartisan, advocacy organization, would help support the rapid deployment of cleaner energy alternatives by establishing a fee on greenhouse gas emissions, thus making cleaner energy options less costly than fossil fuels;

WHEREAS, the Carbon Fee and Dividend Program would provide households with a dividend from the greenhouse gas emissions fee that would offset increased costs for energy; and

WHEREAS, according to a study by Regional Economic Models, Inc., the Carbon Fee and Dividend Program would also be beneficial to the economy and create 2 million jobs over 10 years,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA DOES HEREBY:**

Support the establishment of the National Carbon Fee and Dividend Program and authorize the Mayor to send letters of support to Congressman Panetta and the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA this 6th day of August 2018, by the following roll call vote:**

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

SIGNED:

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Steve G. Dallas, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Thomas A. Graves, MMC  
City Clerk