



March 28, 2024

Executive Dow Constantine
401 Fifth Avenue, Suite 800
Seattle, WA 98104

RE: Support for King County's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Application in the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue Metropolitan Statistical Area

Dear Executive Constantine:

On behalf of the City of Bellevue, I am pleased to convey strong support for King County's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program. The proposal, developed in consultation with the City of Bellevue, works across the building sector to decrease climate pollution, fill gaps in current state and federal programming, and increase community resilience and high-quality jobs for the most vulnerable populations in our region.

Climate pollution from the building sector is growing faster than any other source in Washington. Reducing regional building sector emissions will significantly impact the state's overall greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and directly benefit the region's residents, which are half of the state's population.

King County has committed to implementing programs in a collaborative way to ensure the benefits of this investment show up in communities across our region. We are confident in King County's strong track record working with partner jurisdictions and utilities to implement programs for our region.

Indeed, Bellevue has worked with King County on similar initiatives, including the King County Cities Climate Collaboration, a Department of Energy Communities Leading through Energy Analysis and Planning grant, GHG inventories, climate action planning, and green business incentive programs.

The City of Bellevue staff is committed to supporting this work by:

- participating in collaborative program design, contractor selection, and project reviews;
- supporting program oversight by attending quarterly meetings to review progress; and
- connecting our community's buildings to these grant programs to maximize outcomes.

We are greatly supportive of this application, which could build from and enhance Bellevue's expertise and partnerships from our public facilities management program, [Clean Buildings Incentive program](#), and [Energy Smart Eastside program](#).

Sincerely,

Mayor Lynne Robinson
City of Bellevue