**2020 Category B City: ELY**

Currently a Step 2 GreenStep City as of June 2016

- joined January 2014 -

***Which assessment****? Preliminary: for city review Final: May 1st recommendation to LMC*

***Assessor and date****: Philipp Muessig, 3/12/20*

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**NO**

**NO**

***Total BPs done out of 12: All required\* BPs done? BP distribution requirement\* met?***

***Recommend new June recognition at: Step 3***

Recognition at a Step 3 level involves, at a minimum:

* Implementing 12 best practices, including:
  + 7 specific BPs: #1, #6, #15, #16, #24, #25, #29
  + 2 Building BPs, 2 Land Use BPs, 1 Transportation BP, 3 Env. Mgt. BPs, 3 Comm./Econ. BPs
* Completing 18 actions, including:
  + 7 specific actions: #1.1 & #1.2; #6.1 & #6.2; #15.1; #24.1; #29.1

\* required means necessary for Step 3 recognition

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| Best practices (**required in bold**) BP implemented? Action summary by # and star level achieved  Action rules (**req. actions in** **bold**) | | |
| **BUILDINGS: distribution requirement is 2 BPs; are 2 done?** | | |
| **1. Public**  **Actions 1 & 2** | **NO** |  |
| 2. Private  any one action | **YES** | 2.6 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS – Business Energy Retrofit grants |
| 3. New  any one action |  |  |
| 4. Lighting/Signals  2 actions; one from 5-8 |  |  |
| 5. Reuse  any one action | **YES** | 5.3 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- Study was completed to repurpose the Community Center |
| **LAND USE: 2 BPs required; are 2 done?** | | |
| **6. Comp Plan**  **Actions 1 & 2** | **YES** | 6.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR – 1997; 5 updates; latest in 2012  6.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR |
| 7. Density  any one action | **YES** | 7.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- 17 acres of single family housing with 8-10 lots per acre  7.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- downtown district allows apartments above existing businesses  7.3 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- Central Business District has no minimum lot size and zero-lot-line setbacks |
| 8. Mixed Uses  any one action | **YES** | 8.5 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- redeveloping commercial district to allow for R & C; redeveloping DT district to encourage mixed use development  8.7 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- zoning code encourages space above businesses to be used as residential and office space |
| 9. Highway Development  any one action |  |  |
| 10. Conservation Development  any one action |  |  |
| **TRANSPORTATION: 1 BP required; is 1 done?** | | |
| 11. Complete Green Streets  1; & one additional action | **YES** | 11.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- City operates under a complete streets policy for decisions on streets and sidewalks, with the Ely Tree Board  11.3 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- 9th Ave. redeveloped with retaining walls, drains, storm water catches, and sidewalks |
| 12. Mobility Options  any one action | **YES** | 12.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- The Incredible Ely Group & Ely Health and Wellness working to develop route maps & signs for walking and biking  12.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR – SRTS effort extended sidewalk to the youth center building |
| 13. Fleets  any one action |  |  |
| 14. TOD / TDM  any two actions |  |  |
| **ENVIRONMENTAL MGT: 3 BPs required; are 3 done?** | | |
| **15. Purchasing**  **1; and one additional action** | **NO** | 15.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR - **City renewables purchases include hydropower** through Lake County Power, increasing beyond 2016 |
| **16. Trees**  **any one action** | **YES** | 16.6 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- Tree Board with local experts manages city trees |
| 17. Stormwater  any one action |  |  |
| 18. Parks & Trails  any two actions | **YES** | 18.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- new playground installed in DT park; band shell reroofed; area designated as an of- road trail head  18.3 COMLPLETE @ 3 STARS -- 70 acres of municipal park for 3,500 residents; over 90% of residents live within 1/2 mile of park/protected green space. |
| 19. Surface Water  if state public water: 4; and one additional action  others: any one action | **NO** | 19.4 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR |
| 20. Water / Wastewater  1 & 2; and one additional |  |  |
| 21. Septics  any one action | **YES** | 21.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- City contacts landowners about septics outside town; failing ones addressed with a community process |
| 22. Solid Waste  one from 1-3; & one from 4-8 | **NO** | 22.6 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR – 1 waste hauler  22.7 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR |
| 23. Local Air Quality  any one action |  |  |
| **ECON & COMM DEVELOP: 2 BPs required; are 2 done?** | | |
| **24. Benchmarks & Involvement**  **1; and one additional action** | **NO** |  |
| **25. Green Businesses**  **any two actions** | **NO** | 25.3 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- City promotes outdoor-based tourism; Ely is the "Gateway to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area" |
| 26. Renewable Energy  any two actions | **NO** | 26.2 underway - possibility of a solar energy project that would allow residents to purchase solar from one location |
| 27. Local Food  any one action | **YES** | 27.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR  27.3 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- City owns community garden land; school uses garden for educational programs; farmer's market |
| 28. Business Synergies  2, 3 or 4 | **NO** | 28.3 this action is for a business/industrial park project |
| **29. Climate Adaptation**  **action 1** | **NO** |  |

**ELY –** notable actions

**NO**

* **Zoning code encourages** space above businesses to be used as residential and office space
* **Energy retrofit grants** for businesses
* **Incredible Ely & Ely Health and Wellness** work to develop walking and biking route maps & signs
* **City renewables purchases include hydropower** through Lake County Power, increasing beyond 2016