**2021 Category B City: Detroit Lakes**

Currently a Step 2 GreenStep City

(joined 2016 )

X

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

***Assessor and date*** *Kristin Mroz, 11/17/2020*

**NO**

**NO**

**9**

***Total BPs done: All required BPs done? BP distribution requirements met?***

***Recommend June 2021 public recognition at: Step 3***

Recognition at a [Step 3](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/media/216) level involves, at a minimum:

* Implementing 12 best practices, including:
  + 7 specific BPs: #15, #16, #24, #25, #29
  + 3 Env. Mgt. BPs, 3 Comm./Econ. BPs
  + 3 specific actions: 15.1, 24.1, 29.1

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| Best practices (**required in bold**)  Action rules (req. actions in **bold**) | | BP implemented? | | Action summary by # and star level achieved |
| **BUILDINGS: distribution requirement is 2 BPs ; are 2 BPs done? YES** | | | | |
| **1. Public Buildings**  **Actions 1 & 2** | **YES** | | 1.1 @ 1 STAR – Installing advanced metering infrastructure and then transferring data to B3. Last updated in 2012.  1.2 @ 3 STARS -- City routinely does energy efficiency audits; recent $1.8M Community & Cultural Center conservation project improved lighting & insulation; similar work in 5 other buildings | |
| 2. Private Buildings  any one action | **YES** | | 2.1 @ 1 STAR – DL Public Utilities offers various EE rebates through the Bright Energy Solutions program | |
| 3. New Green Buildings  any one action | **YES** | | 3.5 @ 1 STAR - Land Disturbance Permits control CC&Rs | |
| 4. Lighting/Signals  2 actions with one from 5-8 | **NO** | | 4.8 @ 1 STAR - currently switching traffic signals to LEDs; in new developments and as old street lights are replaced, LEDs are installed | |
| 5. Building Redevelopment  any one action | **YES** | | 5.5 @ 1 STAR – Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing and revolving loan fund for business development in repurposed buildings; Façade grant program. | |
| **LAND USE: 2 BPs required; are 2 BPs done? YES** | | | | |
| **6. Comp Plan**  **Actions 1 & 2** | **YES** | | 6.1 @ 1 STAR – Comp Plan adopted in 2000 and amended most recently in 2018  6.2 @ 1 STAR - Ordinance requires consideration of comp plan. | |
| 7. Density  any one action |  | |  | |
| 8. Mixed Uses  any one action | **YES** | | 8.7 @ 1 STAR -- mixed use projects in DT: 2016 McKinley Plaza (retail, rental); 2019 Norby's Flats (old dept. store to multiple businesses); Midtown development beginning | |
| 9. Highway Development  any one action |  | |  | |
| 10. Conservation Development  any one action |  | |  | |
| **TRANSPORTATION: 1 BP required; is 1 BP done? YES** | | | | |
| 11. Complete Green Streets  1; & one additional action |  | |  | |
| 12. Mobility Options  any one action | **YES** | | 12.1 @ 1 STAR – trail and shelter maps on city website. | |
| 13. Fleets  any one action |  | |  | |
| 14. TOD / TDM  any two actions |  | |  | |
| **ENVIRON MGT: 3 BPs required; are 3 done? NO** | | | | |
| **15. Purchasing**  **1; and one additional action** | **NO** | |  | |
| **16. Trees**  **any one action** | **NO** | | 16.1 @ 2 STARS – Tree City since 1988 | |
| 17. Stormwater  any one action |  | |  | |
| 18. Parks & Trails  any two actions | **NO** | | 18.1 @ 2 STAR -- Master Trails Plan & Parks Strategic Plan; sub-division ordinance requires dedication of 6% of undeveloped land to trails/ parks | |
| 19. Surface Water  if state public water: 4; and one additional action  if no state water: any one action | **NO** | | 19.4 @ 2 STARS | |
| 20. Water / Wastewater  1 & 2; and one additional | **NO** | | 20.6 @ 2 STARS -- constructing a new $35M wastewater treatment plant in 2019 | |
| 21. Septics  any one action |  | |  | |
| 22. Solid Waste  one from 1-3; & one from 4-8 | **NO** | | 22.7 @ 2 STARS -- requires garbage haulers required since 2017 to provide curbside single-stream recycling, waste removal, and an annual data report | |
| 23. Local Air Quality  any one action |  | |  | |
| **ECON & COMM DVLP: 3 BPs required; are 3 done? NO** | | | | |
| **24. Benchmarks & Involvement**  **1; and any one additional** | **NO** | |  | |
| **25. Green Businesses**  **any two actions** | **NO** | | 25.2 @ 2 STARS -- Detroit Lakes Public Utilities meets with major local businesses twice per year to encourage energy conservation and to promote new programs | |
| 26. Renewable Energy  any two actions | **YES** | | 26.2 @ 2 STARS – DLPU Bright Energy program for residential 100% carbon-free through RECs. Promoted by PU and city.  26.4 @ 3 STARS – from 2017, DLPublic Utilities offers partici-pation in a community solar garden; 100% RE purchases in 2020 via the muni’s Bright Energy Choices program | |
| 27. Local Food  any one action | **Yes** | | 27.3 @ 1 STAR -- participates in local efforts including Becker County Energize and Manna Food Co-op | |
| 28. Business Synergies  any one action |  | |  | |
| **29. Climate Adaptation**  **action 1 at a 2 or 3-star rating** | **NO** | |  | |

**Detroit Lakes** – notable actions

* **$1.8M energy conservation** project to improve retrofit lighting and insulation at the Community and Cultural Center
* **Municipal Solar Garden** participation offered via the city utility
* **Meetings twice/yr. with major local businesses**, by Public Utilities staff, to encourage energy conservation and to promote new programs
* **Garbage haulers required** to provide annual data report on tonnage of 4 recycling/waste streams from residential, and commercial, accounts
* DLPU **Bright Energy program** for residential 100% carbon-free through RECs. Promoted by PU and city.