**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 20186.2 @ 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 actionif 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.