**2022 Category A City: ROSEMOUNT**

a Step Two GreenStep City as of June 2012

- joined 12/20/11 -

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

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**13**

**NOOO**

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***Total BPs done: All required BPs done? Distribution BPs done?***

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

Recognition at a [Step 3](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/media/16) level involves, at a minimum:

* CITY BUILDINGS -- BPA [1.2](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-action-detail/81744) & one additional action from BPAs [1.3-1.7](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-detail/81714)
* COMPLETE STREETS – BPA [11.1](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-action-detail/81802) & two additional actions from BPAs [11.2-11.6](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-detail/81723)
* PURCHASING – BPA [15.1](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-action-detail/81825) & one additional action from BPAs [15.2-15.8](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-detail/81725)
* METRICS – BPA [24.2](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-action-detail/81881)
* PREPAREDNESS -- BPA [29.1](https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/bp-action-detail/81912) (at a 2- or 3-star rating)

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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? NO** | | | | |
| **1. Public Buildings**  **Actions 1 & 2; & one action from actions 3-7** | | **NO** | 1.1 @ 2 STARS – 100+ months of data | |
| 2. Private Buildings  any two actions | | NO | 2.1 @ 3 STARS -- Rosemount Environment and Sustainability Taskforce along with Partners in Energy have ongoing campaigns:12% increase (2018-2019) in residential electricity savings (371 new participants in utility energy programs), estimated 1.6M kWhs/yr. saved by 37 businesses signed up for energy assessments | |
| 3. New Green Buildings  action 1 or 2; one from 3-5 | |  |  | |
| 4. Lighting/Signals  2 actions with one from 5-8 | |  |  | |
| 5. Building Redevelopment  any one action | |  |  | |
| **LAND USE: 2 BPs required; are 2 BPs done? YES** | | | | |
| **6. Comp Plan**  **Actions 1 & 2** | | **YES** | 6.1 @ 1 STAR – 2030 Comp Plan completed 2009  6.2 @ 1 STAR – Section 11.2  6.3 @ 1 STAR – Comp Plan addresses land use and watershed impacts; coordinated  6.4 @ 1 STAR – Comp Plan aims to minimize open space fragmentation and establish growth area Chapter 6 & 7  6.5 @ 3 STARS -- Energy Action Plan adopted 2018 with residential/commercial strategies: 5% community-wide energy reduction goal by 2020 with $1M savings over 3 years | |
| 7. City Growth  any one action | | YES | 7.1 @ 1 STAR – R3 medium density and R4 high density residential zones allow single family 6 unit/acre; DT district mixed use and allows 40 units/acre & MVTA park and ride  7.2 @ 1 STAR – PUD allows flexible frontage, lot sizes, and density bonuses  7.3 @ 1 STAR – higher intensity commercial land use encouraged DT; reduced lot sizes and zero lot line setbacks  7.4 @ 1 STAR – member of MC Livable Communities and PUD encourages infill | |
| 8. Mixed Uses  any two actions | | YES | 8.1 @ 1 STAR – 2004 Development Framework for Downtown Rosemount guidelines for redevelopment projects  8.2 @ 1 STAR – community center adjacent to residential center and provides access for ped/bike and transit  8.3 @ 3 STARS -- energy conservation in PUD ord.  8.5 @ 1 STAR - DT zoning intended to promote compatibility  8.7 @ 1 STAR - incentive for vertical mixed use and 45 height. | |
| 9. Highway Development  any one action | |  |  | |
| 10. Conservation  any one action | | YES | 10.1 @ 2 STARS -- cluster development allows at least 50% of the developable land to be permanently protected  10.5 @ 2 STARS -- conservation easements required on all wetlands/wetland buffers during entitlement; city recommends that land developers deed wetlands to city | |
| **TRANSPORTATION: 2 BPs required; are 2 BPs done? NO** | | | | |
| **11. Complete Green Streets**  **1; & two additional actions** | | **NO** |  | |
| **12. Mobility Options**  **any two actions** | | **YES** | 12.1 @ 2 STAR – 2010 Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan; mapped city; Honorable mention Bike Friendly Community  12.2 @ 2 STAR – 2006 Dakota County Active Living Partnership – assess active living conditions and suggest policy changes; Active Living section in 2030 Comp Plan | |
| 13. Fleets  any two actions | |  |  | |
| 14. TOD / TDM  any two actions | |  |  | |
| **ENVIRON MGT: 4 BPs required; are 4 done? YES** | | | | |
| **15. Purchasing**  **1; and one additional action** | | **NO** |  | |
| **16. Trees**  **any two actions** | | **YES** | 16.1 @ 1 STAR – Tree City USA since 1992  16.5 @ 3 STARS -- tree preservation plan submitted with the grading permit or building permit application  16.6 @ 2 STARS -- parks department conducts tree inspections for residents & businesses; grant money used to increase tree diversity in response to EAB | |
| **17. Stormwater**  **any one action** | | **YES** | 17.3 @ 1 STAR -- standards related on-site rainwater infiltration design and stormwater runoff volume limits  17.5 @ 1 STAR -- education to residents regarding the protection of surface water  17.6 @ 3 STARS -- salt reduction from 77 to 51 tons/event, 2018-2019; weekly salt use reports to city council | |
| 18. Parks & Trails  any three actions | | YES | 18.1 @ 1 STAR – Parks, Trails, and Open Space System Plan; trail & sidewalk improvement map and multi-year plan to maintain and enhance  18.2 @ 1 STAR – budget included in Parks, Trails, and Open Space System Plan and included in 2030 Comp Plan  18.8 @ 2 STARS -- Adopt a Park program; forest restoration with volunteers | |
| 19. Surface Water  if state public water: 4; and one additional action  if no state water: any one action | | YES | 19.2 @ 2 STARS -- ranked 17th in the nation among cities its size for the number of Mayors Water Pledges made to reduce water usage  19.3 @ 2 STARS – City works with the Wetland Health Evaluation Program to engage citizen volunteers  19.4 @ 1 STAR – Shoreland regs in Section 11-7-2 of city code | |
| 20. Water / Wastewater  1 & 2; and one additional | |  |  | |
| 21. Septics  any one action | | YES | 21.1 @ 2 STAR -- point-of-sale non-compliance check  21.4 @ 1 STAR – Section 9-6 of city code  21.6 @ 1 STAR – city building official works with property owners and system designers to promote innovative WW systems in sensitive areas | |
| 22. Solid Waste  1 or 2; & one from 4-8 | | NO | 22.4 @ 1 STAR -- Fix-It Clinic promoted on the City's website | |
| 23. Local Air Quality  any two actions | |  |  | |
| **ECON & COMM DVLP: 3 BPs required; are 3 done? YES** | | | | |
| **24. Benchmarks & Involvement**  **Actions 1 & 2** | | **NO** | 24.1 @ 2 STARS -- Rosemount Environment and Sustainability Taskforce - REST - focused on innovation and citizen engagement  24.4 @ 2 STARS -- Taskforce is conducting an ongoing educational campaign by visiting different groups throughout the community including schools, churches, and all residents at different community events  24.5 @ 1 STAR -- City's energy action plan was developed to identify baseline data regarding energy usage  24.6 @ 2 STARS -- Youth Commission | |
| **25. Green Businesses**  **any two actions** | | **YES** | 25.2 @ 2 STARS – continuing business outreach through the business blitz, targeted emails, and door to door outreach, led by REST  25.7 @ 1 STAR -- City utilized social media, electronic signage at City buildings to emphasize buying local over the holiday season | |
| 26. Renewable Energy  any two actions | | YES | 26.2 @ 2 STARS – info on a thorough City webpage about purchasing clean energy; insert sent with the City water bill regarding energy reduction opportunities/efforts  26.3 @ 1 STAR | |
| 27. Local Food  any one action | | YES | 27.2 @ 2 STARS -- ordinance allows 3 chickens; no restriction on bees  27.3 @ 2 STARS –community gardens at 4 parks | |
| 28. Business Synergies  any one action | |  |  | |
| **29. Climate Adaptation**  **action 1 at a 2 or 3-star rating** | | **NO** |  | |

**ROSEMOUNT HIGHLIGHTS**

* **5% reduction in community energy use** from 2018-2020 in Partners in Energy Action Plan resulting in$1M savings over 3 years
* **12% increase** (2018-2019) in residential electricity savings (371 new participants in utility energy programs), estimated 1.6M kWhs/yr. saved by 37 businesses signed up for energy assessments
* **70% of city operations' electricity** comes from community solar gardens
* **Conservation easements required** on all wetlands/wetland buffers during entitlement; city recommends that land developers deed wetlands to city
* **Salt reduction** from 77 to 51 tons/event, 2018-2019; weekly salt use reports to city council
* **Ranked 17th in the nation** among cities its size for the number of Mayors Water Pledges made to reduce water usage
* **Wetland Health Evaluation** Program used by City to engage citizen volunteers
* **Rosemount Environment and Sustainability Taskforce** is conducting an ongoing educational campaign by visiting different groups throughout the community including schools, churches, and all residents at different community events. A **Youth Commission** also is active.