

RESOLUTION NO. 44-10

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LUVERNE
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MINNESOTA GREENSTEP CITIES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program provides cost-effective sustainable development best practices in the following five categories: (1) Buildings and Lighting; (2) Transportation; (3) Land Use; (4) Environmental Management; and (5) Economic and Community Development; and

WHEREAS, efforts to address energy and environmental issues provide an opportunity to move toward energy self-reliance and greater community resiliency; provide environmentally healthy and cheaper-to-operate public buildings; encourage new economic development and local jobs; and support local food and renewable energy production; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Session Laws 2008, Chapter 356, Section 13 directed the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency ("MPCA") and Office of Energy Security in the Department of Commerce ("Office of Energy Security"), in collaboration with Clean Energy Resource Teams ("CERTs"), to recommend municipal actions and policies that work toward meeting the State's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals; and

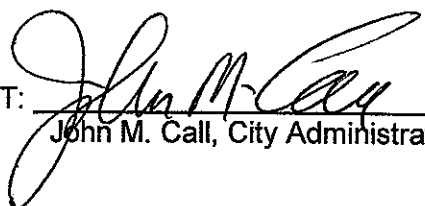
WHEREAS, the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program assists in facilitating technical assistance for the implementation of these sustainable development best practices; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Luverne does hereby authorize the City of Luverne (the "City") to participate in the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program. Be it further resolved that:

1. The City appoints the EDA Director to serve as the City's GreenStep Task Force facilitator to implement GreenStep Cities best practices; and
2. The GreenStep Task Force will facilitate the involvement of community members, civic, business and educational organizations, and other units of government as appropriate in the planning, promoting and implementing of GreenStep Cities best practices; and
3. The GreenStep Task Force plans to take actions to implement the following best practices: Green Business Development, Benchmarks and Community Engagement, Local Food, and Efficient Existing Public and Private Buildings amongst others.
4. The GreenStep Task Force will claim credit for having implemented and will implement in total at least 12 required and optional GreenStep best practices that will result in energy use reduction, economic savings and reduction in the community's ecological footprint. A summary of the City's implementation of best practices will be posted on the Minnesota GreenStep Cities web site.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA, this
14th day of December, 2010.

ATTEST:


John M. Call, City Administrator

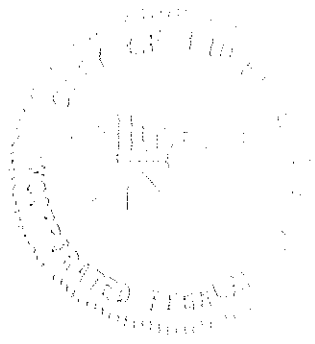

Andrew G. Steensma, Mayor

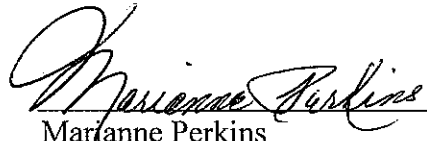
CERTIFICATION

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
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COUNTY OF ROCK) ss:
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CITY OF LUVERNE)

I, the undersigned, being the duly acting and qualified City Clerk of the City of Luverne, Minnesota, and pursuant to the City Charter and the authority invested in me, do hereby certify that the attached Resolution No. 44-10 was adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held Tuesday, December 14, 2010, with the original thereof on file in my office, and the same is a full, true, and complete transcript therefrom insofar as the same relates to A Resolution Authorizing the City of Luverne to Participate in the Minnesota GreenStep Cities Program.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City this 15th day of December, 2010.




Marianne Perkins
City Clerk
City of Luverne, Minnesota