

RESOLUTION NO. 12-03

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

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of public and private stakeholders including the League of Minnesota Cities, the MPCA, Office of Energy Security and CERTs responded to the 2008 legislation by establishing the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program to provide a series of sustainable development best practices focusing on local government opportunities to reduce energy use and greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS, the City of Victoria was selected to participated in the Pilot Program for Minnesota GreenStep Cities by the Urban Land Institute of Minnesota;

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

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;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Victoria does hereby authorize the City of Victoria (the "City") to participate in the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program. Be it further resolved that the City:

1. Appoints the Community Development Director to serve as the city's GreenStep coordinator to facilitate best practice implementation; and
2. 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. Plans to take actions to implement the following best practices:
  - Efficient Building and Street Lighting
  - Complete Green Streets
  - Environmentally Preferred Purchasing
  - Green Business Development; and
4. Will claim credit for having implemented and will work toward implementing at least sixteen required and optional GreenStep best practices that will result in energy use reduction, economic savings and reduction in the community's greenhouse gas footprint. A summary of the city's implementation of best practices will be posted on the Minnesota GreenStep Cities web site.

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of **January, 2012** by the Victoria City Council.

Mary Hershberger Thun, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_\_

Jim Crowley \_\_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_\_

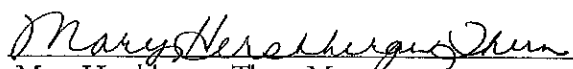
Tom O'Connor \_\_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_\_

Kim Roden \_\_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_\_

Tom Strigel \_\_\_\_\_ AYE \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

  
Jennifer Kretsch, City Clerk

  
Mary Hershberger Thun, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Victoria, hereby certifies the foregoing Resolution No. 12-03 is a true and correct copy of a resolution presented to and adopted by the Council of the City of Victoria at a duly authorized meeting thereof held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2012, as shown by the minutes of the aforesaid meeting in possession of the undersigned.

  
Jennifer Kretsch, City Clerk

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