

## RESOLUTION 17-10-87

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

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota GreenStep Cities is a voluntary challenge, assistance and recognition program to help cities achieve their sustainability and quality-of-life goals. GreenStep is a free, continuous improvement program, managed by a public-private partnership, and based upon 29 best practices. Each best practice can be implemented by completing one or more actions at a 1, 2 or 3-star level, from a list of four to twelve actions. These actions are tailored to all Minnesota cities, focus on cost savings and energy use reduction, and encourage civic innovation; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments have the unique opportunity to achieve both energy use and climate change gas reductions and cost savings through building and facilities management; land use and transportation planning; environmental management; and through economic and community development; and

**WHEREAS**, efforts to address energy and climate issues provide an opportunity to move toward energy self-reliance and greater community resiliency and quality of life; 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**, steps taken toward sustainable solutions aim to improve community quality of life, building community capital and increasing government efficiency, accountability and transparency; and

**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 Wyoming does hereby authorize the City of Wyoming (the City) to participate in the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program that offers a free, voluntary continuous improvement framework. Passage of this participation resolution allows the City to be recognized as a Step One GreenStep City. Be it further resolved that the City:

1. Appoints Robb Linwood to serve as the City's GreenStep coordinator for best practice documentation/implementation

2. Will facilitate the involvement of community members and other units of government as appropriate in the planning, promoting and/or implementing of GreenStep Cities best practices; and
3. Grants to the GreenStep program's buildings advisor review access to the City's B3 Benchmarking Database so as to facilitate analysis and cost-saving technical assistance to the City regarding its buildings' energy use; and
4. Will claim credit for having implemented and will work at its own pace toward implementing any 6 GreenStep best practices that will result in energy use reduction, economic savings, quality of life improvement, reduction in the City's greenhouse gas footprint, and recognition by the League of Minnesota Cities as a Step Two GreenStep City. An on-going summary of the City's implementation of best practices will be posted by the City on the Minnesota GreenStep Cities web site.

**CITY OF WYOMING**

By:   
Mayor, Lisa Iverson

**ATTEST:**  
  
Robb Linwood, City Administrator/Clerk

Date: 10-4-17

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and City Administrator of the City of Wyoming, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have carefully compared the attached and foregoing copy of Resolution No. 17-10-87 of the City Council of the City of Wyoming on the date therein indicated with the original thereof on file in my office and that the same is a full, true, and correct copy thereof, as adopted by the Wyoming City Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2017.

WITNESS my hand this 3<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017.

  
Robb Linwood, City Administrator

The foregoing was acknowledged before me this 4th day of October 2017 by Robb Linwood, the City Administrator of the City of Wyoming, a Minnesota municipal corporation, on behalf of the City.

  
Diane Krinkie, Deputy Clerk



