

**CITY OF SHOREWOOD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-038**

**A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF SHOREWOOD'S PARTICIPATION 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 Clean Energy Response Team (CERTs), responded to 2008 State 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 to conserve economic and non-economic resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the GreenStep Cities Program aims to provide Minnesota cities a pathway to greater sustainability based upon implementing best practices specific to Minnesota cities, 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; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the multiple environmental, economic, and social dimensions of the sustainability best practices, leadership from a city's council is needed to oversee their implementation and coordination/integration with other city activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the GreenStep Cities Program champions sustainability goals and practices consistent with the City of Shorewood's goals and mission statement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Shorewood does hereby authorize the City of Shorewood (the "City") to participate in the Minnesota GreenStep Cities program.

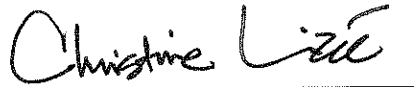
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City will take the following steps to be recognized as a Minnesota GreenStep City:

1. Appoint Brad Nielsen, Planning Director as a Minnesota GreenStep Coordinator to facilitate the City's GreenStep Program development and implementation; and
2. Facilitate the involvement of the Shorewood Planning Commission, the City Council, the Park Commission, City staff, and constituents in the planning, promotion and consideration of implementing GreenStep Cities best practices; and

3. Identify which GreenStep best practices the City has already implemented and which best practices will initially be considered for implementation; and
4. Implement a minimum number of required and optional GreenStep best practices that will result in energy reduction, economic savings and reduction in the community's greenhouse gas footprint; and
5. Will work with the MPCA to post a summary of the City's implementation of best practices on the Minnesota GreenStep Cities website.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREWOOD** this 27th day of June, 2011.

**ATTEST:**

  
Christine Lizée, Mayor

  
Brian Heck, City Administrator/Clerk