

Resolution

R-0809-109

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, ADOPTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD'S TWELVE GOALS FOR REDUCING EMISSIONS OF CITY OF NORMAN OPERATIONS AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the Environmental Control Advisory Board, at the request of the Norman City Council, was asked to study the United States Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement and make recommendations for improvement of emissions; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the Environmental Control Advisory Board finalized those recommendations in March 2007, and brought them forward to the Norman City Council; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the City Council of Norman, Oklahoma, heard and received those recommendations; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, in December 2008, the Environmental Control Advisory Board reviewed the recommendations made in March 2007, in light of the many actions the City of Norman has taken towards improvement of energy conservation and lowered emissions; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the Environmental Control Advisory Board has affirmed the recommendations made in March 2007, and encourages the City of Norman to continue to make energy conservations and emissions reductions a priority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 6. To recognize the following recommendations suggested by the Environmental Control Advisory Board as goals to guide the City of Norman in its ongoing process of reducing emissions and conserving energy:
 - To inventory global warming emissions in the City of Norman, target an amount for reduction, and create an action plan;
 - To adopt and enforce land-use policies that reduce sprawl, preserve open space, and create compact, walkable urban communities;
 - To promote and support transportation options such as bicycle trails, commute trip reduction programs, incentives for carpooling, and public transit;
 - To increase the use of clean alternate energy;
 - To make energy efficiency a priority through building code improvements, retrofitting City facilities with energy efficient lighting, and urging employees to conserve energy and save money;
 - To purchase only Energy Star equipment and appliances for City of Norman use;
 - To practice and promote sustainable building practices using the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED Program or a similar system;



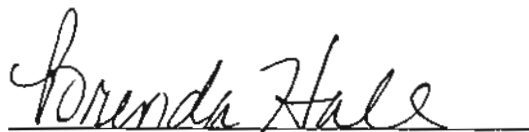
- To increase the average fuel efficiency of municipal fleet vehicles, reduce the number of vehicles, launch an employee education program including anti-idling messages, and convert diesel vehicles to bio-diesel;
 - To evaluate opportunities to increase pump efficiency in water and wastewater systems and recover wastewater treatment methane for energy production;
 - To increase recycling rates in City of Norman operations and in the community;
 - To maintain healthy urban forests, promote tree planting to increase shading and absorb carbon dioxide; and
 - To help educate the public; schools; other jurisdictions; professional associations; businesses; and industry about reducing global warming pollution.
- § 7. To instruct the City Manager, in consultation with the Environmental Control Advisory Board, to prepare an action plan for implementing these goals including a short, mid, and long term strategies;
- § 8. To instruct the City Manager to bring that action plan to the Planning and Community Development Committee for a report and the Committee's review; and
- § 9. To instruct the City Manager to make semiannual progress reports to the Norman City Council regarding the implementation of the action plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of February, 2009.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk