

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMUNITY
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, in May of 2007, City Council adopted a resolution pledging the City of Winston-Salem's commitment to stabilizing atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases by reducing emissions from its local government operations and throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, in September 2008, City Council established the Community Sustainability Committee, responsible for reviewing the City's Local Action Plan and providing periodic reports and recommendations to City Council with regard to greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and related sustainability issues; and

WHEREAS, the committee dissolved in 2013 when a grant from the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant expired.

WHEREAS, the City would like to re-establish the Community Sustainability Program Committee as described below.

Section 1. PURPOSE

The Community Sustainability Program Committee will provide periodic reports and recommendations to the City Council concerning municipal greenhouse gas emissions and related sustainability issues.

Section 2. RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Advise on current goals set forth by the Office of Sustainability
- (b) Generate a work plan for future goals of the Office of Sustainability
- (c) Become familiar with municipal greenhouse gas emission levels
- (d) Produce an annual report

- (e) Advise ways to increase the city's Star Communities Rating
- (f) Oversight of BEE CITY USA activities and initiatives

Section 3. MEMBERSHIP AND APPOINTMENT

The Committee shall be comprised of ten members, representing every ward within the city, and two members from local universities appointed by City Council, upon the recommendation by the Mayor. The members of the committee shall be composed of individuals with the following skills or background: small, medium, and large business, industrial, architectural/building, transportation, energy, environmental, or interest in citizen participation.

The Chairman of the Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor. Members shall serve two year terms. Initial appointments will be made for staggered, two and three year terms to insure continuity. Members shall serve without compensation.

Section 4. MEETINGS

The committee shall hold regular public meetings not less than once a month.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem does hereby approve and re-establish the Community Sustainability Program Committee.