

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF A SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT CHARLOTTE BY THE YEAR 2050

WHEREAS, the Charlotte City Council committed in the FY 2018-2019 Environment Focus Area Plan to “become a global leader in environmental sustainability, balancing economic growth with preserving our natural resources;” and,

WHEREAS, Charlotte will strive to become a low carbon city by 2050, spanning all sectors, to bring city-wide greenhouse gas emissions to below 2 tons CO_{2e} per person annually; and,

WHEREAS, Charlotte is currently developing a Strategic Energy Action Plan (SEAP), which will contain short, medium and long terms actions to deliver deep reductions in carbon emissions spanning allsectors so that the CO_{2e} targets can be met; and,

WHEREAS, a low carbon city is delivered through processes, strategies, practices, tools, and institutional structures that promote collaboration between city, public, private, academic, and nonprofit constituencies to develop and implement long-term, deep reductions in carbon emissions, and,

WHEREAS, these processes, strategies, and collaborations will balance economic considerations with advancement towards the 2050 goal, and

WHEREAS, low carbon cities improve their environmental sustainability, social capital and economic mobility through growth in clean energy industries and workforce development opportunities; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Charlotte will strive to become a low carbon city by 2050 and will develop a Strategic Energy Action Plan to be presented to City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Charlotte will continue the work currently under way to advance short term goals for reductions in energy consumption in city operations as a first step on the path towards a low carbon future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Charlotte will strive to source 100% of is energy use in its buildings and fleet from zero carbon sources, including renewables and nuclear, by 2030.

Adopted on this ___^h day of ____, 2018.