

RESOLUTION NO. 2656

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN CITY COUNCIL REVISING THE EXISTING CITY OF GOLDEN SUSTAINABILITY GOALS AND SETTING NEW TARGETS

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council enacted the Golden Sustainability Goals through Resolution No. 1793 in 2007 and amended by Resolution No. 2330 in 2014 in recognition of the current threat to our environment and resolved to place Golden in the forefront of global communities willing to do their part to help make a difference; and

WHEREAS, since 2007 the city has created the Community Sustainability Advisory Board (CSAB), seated several task forces to provide research and direction, made significant investments in energy and resource conservation, and has implemented numerous sustainability programs and policies toward the goals; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the progress made to date over the past eleven years, CSAB proposes changes to reflect the achievement of some goals, the inclusion of additional goals, and the acknowledgement of many recent new data, technologies and innovation; and

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council endorsed the Paris Climate Accords goals in 2017 and would like to better align Golden's Sustainability Goals with the Paris Accords'.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. Golden intends to meet the following Sustainability Goals:

A. Energy.

- 1) Renewables. To achieve 100% renewable energy for electricity by 2030 and 100% renewable for heating by 2050. To align Greenhouse Gas Emission reductions with the Paris Accord by 2050.
- 2) Efficiency. To reduce consumption of electricity by 15% by 2030 and reduce consumption of natural gas by 15% by 2030.
- 3) Transportation. To achieve 20% fossil fuel-free transportation sector by 2030 and 100% fossil fuel-free transportation sector by 2050.

B. Waste. To reduce total landfill contribution by 40% by 2030. This means:

- 1) Recycle 80% of recyclables by 2030.
- 2) Compost 80% of compostables by 2030.
- 3) Reduce total trash by 20% by 2030.
- 4) Strive for zero waste in municipal operations by 2030.

C. Water.

- 1) Responsible Use. To reduce per capita total water use in Golden by at least 15% by 2030.
- 2) Drought Planning. To develop a resiliency plan by 2020 to prepare for a time where Golden's and Colorado's climate may be substantially warmer and drier than it is today.
- 3) Resource Recovery. To develop and implement a plan by 2020 where Golden's surplus water is used effectively not only to manage the cost of water and sewer services, but to

enhance the environment in Golden and elsewhere in our watershed. And to recover resources from the city's wastewater by 2030.

Adopted this ____ day of February, 2019.

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