

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-014**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

January 31, 2012

### **APPROVING CITY OF SACRAMENTO PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S BEACON AWARD PROGRAM**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The City of Sacramento is undertaking policies, programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy.
- B. The Sustainability Master Plan, adopted by City Council in 2007, established sustainability goals and measurable targets in nine focus areas that will help save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in City operations as well as communitywide.
- C. The 2030 General Plan, adopted by City Council in 2009, sets forth goals, policies, and implementation programs to implement the City's Smart Growth and Sustainability principles, including the development of a Climate Action Plan to help meet the City's greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.
- D. Phase 1 of the Climate Action Plan, adopted by the City Council on February 16, 2010, identified specific strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the City's internal municipal operations by more than 15% below 2005 levels by the year 2020.
- E. Phase 2 of the Climate Action Plan, scheduled for final hearing and adoption by the City Council on January 31, 2012, identifies specific strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from communitywide sources to at least 15% below 2005 levels by the year 2020.
- F. These policies, programs and activities conserve natural resources, save energy and money, and promote sustainable land use and transportation planning in the community.
- G. Cities and counties statewide are leading by example by adopting innovative sustainability programs and policies, including working with community residents, business groups, and others.
- H. The City of Sacramento wishes to expand these activities, share its experiences with other communities, and be recognized for its accomplishments.
- I. The Beacon Award: Local Leadership Towards Solving Climate Change is a voluntary program of the Institute for Local Government, the non-profit research and education affiliate of the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities.

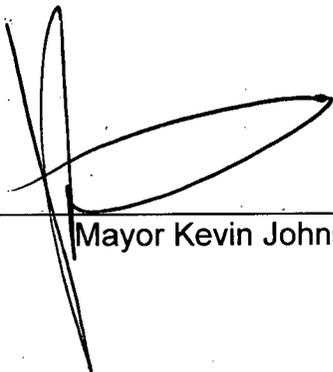
- J. The Beacon Award recognizes and celebrates achievements of cities and counties that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy.
- K. Participating in the Beacon Award is an opportunity for the City of Sacramento to be recognized for its efforts to promote sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and save energy.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City of Sacramento agrees to participate in the Beacon Award: Local Leadership Towards Solving Climate Change.
- Section 2. The City of Sacramento will work towards achieving the Silver, Gold and/or Platinum Beacon Award levels as specified in the Beacon Award "Guidelines for Participation & Recognition."

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on January 31, 2012 by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Ashby, Cohn, D Fong, R Fong, McCarty, Pannell, Schenirer, Sheedy, and Mayor Johnson.
- Noes: None.
- Abstain: None.
- Absent: None.



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Mayor Kevin Johnson

Attest:



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Shirley Concolino, City Clerk