



**TO:** Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Ann H. Campbell, Mayor

**DATE:** June 13, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Reconfirmation of Resolution Approving U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement

Given the nationwide reaction to the executive order to rescind the United States' participation in the Paris Accord, attention to climate change has been reverted to the local and state level.

To that end, mayors across the country have been asked to execute local "executive orders" to support climate protection. I have responded saying that standard practice in Ames has been to have the mayor act on behalf of the City Council. Thus, I am asking that you take the unique step of reaffirming the attached Resolution No. 07-281 from June 12, 2007, which was a "Resolution approving U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement for the City of Ames."

Attachment

RESOLUTION NO. 07-281

RESOLUTION APPROVING U.S. MAYORS CLIMATE PROTECTION AGREEMENT  
FOR THE CITY OF AMES

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2007, the Council added a new goal to make Ames a more environmentally-sustainable community, and during this retreat, the majority of the Council support taking the "Cool Cities Pledge" as a means to facilitate the implementation of this goal; and,

WHEREAS, this action will involve: 1) endorsing the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement; 2) identifying baseline carbon emission levels for City operations; 3) establishing carbon reduction goals for the City operations; and, 4) developing a strategic plan to accomplish these long-range carbon reduction goals; and,

WHEREAS, discussion at the retreat focused on whether to adopt the agreement verbatim, eliminate the "whereas" provisions, make revisions to the standard agreement, or move ahead with determining baseline levels, establishing reduction goals, and developing a strategic plan without endorsing the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ames, Iowa, that the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement is hereby approved as attached hereto.

ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

  
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Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

  
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Ann H. Campbell, Mayor

Introduced by: Mahayni  
Seconded by: Rice  
Voting aye: Doll, Goodman, Larson, Mahayni, Popken, Rice  
Voting nay: None    Absent:                          None

Resolution declared adopted and signed by the Mayor this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.