

RESOLUTION NO. 5708

A RESOLUTION STATING INTENT TO APPLY SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES IN THE CITY OF ALBANY

WHEREAS, the Albany City Council and City staff are guided by the City's Strategic Plan, which outlines how to achieve great neighborhoods, a health economy, a safe city, and effective government; and

WHEREAS, those strategic goals can and should be based on the City's responsibility to support a stable, diverse, and equitable economy; protect the quality of the air, water, land, and other natural resources; conserve native vegetation, fish, wildlife habitat, and other ecosystems; and minimize human impacts on local, regional, and worldwide ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, these responsibilities can be further defined as a commitment to sustainability principles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany will lead by example for other organizations by operating its facilities and services in a sustainable manner; developing strategies for implementing sustainable practices through purchasing of products and services, maintenance, facility design, and municipal operations; and

WHEREAS, community awareness and education are fundamentally important to successful implementation of sustainability policies and programs; and the City will assume a leadership role in creating, sponsoring, and promoting sustainability awareness and education, focusing on solutions and facilitating citizens' participation in developing those solutions; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the relationship between local, regional, national, and global issues in its policy and program development and will take a lead role in developing model environmental programs and new approaches to economic development that reflect this linkage.

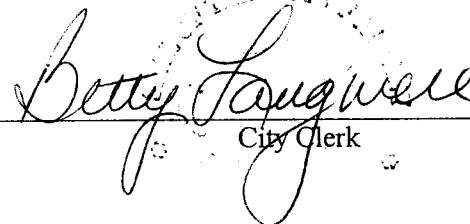
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council supports the adoption of sustainability principles for City practices and encourages their adoption and practice throughout the greater Albany community.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk