

RESOLUTION NO. 2452

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE SUSTAINABLE MARYLAND CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, a sustainable community means meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs; and

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, The City of Salisbury strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, The City of Salisbury hereby acknowledges that the residents of the City of Salisbury desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, The City of Salisbury wishes to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically-sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path the City of Salisbury is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

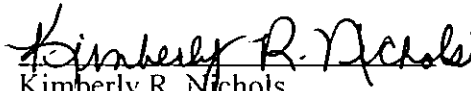
WHEREAS, as elected representatives of the City of Salisbury, we have a significant responsibility to provide leadership which will seek community-based sustainable solutions to strengthen our community.


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that to focus attention and effort within the City of Salisbury on matters of sustainability, the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland wishes to pursue local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipal Certification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland that we do hereby authorize the Director of Public Works to serve as the City of Salisbury's agent for the Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipal Certification process and authorize the Director to complete the Municipal Registration on behalf of the City of Salisbury, Maryland.

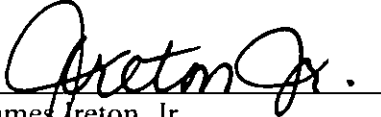
THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and read and passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on this 13 day of October, 2014 and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:


Kimberly R. Nichols
CITY CLERK


Laura Mitchell
VICE PRESIDENT, City Council

APPROVED by me this 14th day of October, 2014


James Ireton, Jr.
MAYOR, City of Salisbury



**ShorePower Project
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**

This Memorandum of Understanding (the Memorandum) is made on this day 12/3/12, by and between the Washington College Center for Environment & Society, of 101 S Water Street, Chestertown, MD 21620 hereinafter referred to as CES and City of Salisbury of 101 N Division Street, Salisbury, MD 21801, hereinafter referred to as the Municipality, for the purpose of achieving the various aims and objectives relating to the ShorePower Project (the Project).

WHEREAS CES and the Municipality desire to enter into an agreement in which CES and the Municipality will work together to complete the Project;

AND WHEREAS CES and the Municipality desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between them, setting out the working arrangement that each of the partners agree are necessary to complete the Project;

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to the Project.

Background

With funding support from the Town Creek Foundation, CES has initiated the Project to help Eastern Shore municipalities track energy and reduce energy expenditures and greenhouse gas emissions.

Since 2008 CES has helped the Chestertown municipal government achieve significant reductions of energy usage and greenhouse gas emissions. Between 2008 and 2011 Chestertown's electricity consumption dropped by 300,000-kilowatt hours per year. This amounted to a greater than 10% decrease and an avoidance of \$130,000 annually in costs. It also constituted an overall reduction in greenhouse gas emissions of 200 tons per year.

The Project aims to replicate these results in the eight remaining County seats on Maryland's Eastern Shore, four municipalities in Year 1 of the Project and four more in Year 2.

The Project is governed by an advisory board, and involves close consultation with staff from the Maryland Energy Administration, the Maryland Department of the Environment, and the Maryland Municipal League.

Responsibilities

CES shall undertake the following activities:

- Gather necessary data and produce accurate energy report for the Municipality
- Gather necessary data and produce accurate greenhouse gas emissions report for the Municipality
- Provide recommendations to the Municipality on how to decrease energy usage and greenhouse gas emissions
- Formally present energy data, greenhouse gas emissions data, and recommendations to the Municipality
- Coordinate ceremonial launch event
- Manage public relations for the Project, including website and social media
- Communicate benefits and results of the project to the Region and State.
- Build capacity for the Municipality to manage energy tracking and reporting after year 1 going forward

The MUNICIPALITY shall undertake the following activities:

- Register to be a Sustainable Maryland Certified community
- Assist in ceremonial launch event
- Assist CES in obtaining accurate energy usage data and greenhouse gas emissions calculations including but not limited to:
 - o Travel, including employee commute and business related travel
 - o Municipal buildings' specifications
 - o Energy providers and access to detailed invoices
 - o Municipal fleet
 - o Landscaping and agriculture
 - o Municipal solid waste and recycling
 - o Potential greenhouse gas emissions offsets
- Assist CES in communicating the benefits and results of the project to the community and encourage community participation in the Project
- Initiate energy tracking and reporting protocols into regular administrative duties

Funding

The Town Creek Foundation has provided funding for the Project. CES will be responsible for managing all Project funds.

Effective Date and Signature

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective upon the signature of CES and City of Salisbury authorized officials.

CES and the City of Salisbury indicate agreement with this Memorandum of Understanding by their signatures.

Brigg Cunningham (CES)
Center for Environment and Society

12/10/13
Date

[Signature]
City of Salisbury

12/9/13
Date

City of Salisbury



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ASSISTANT CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

To: Tom Stevenson, City Administrator

From: Mike Moulds, Director of Public Works

Date: September 22, 2014

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Re: Maryland Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipal Certification Program Resolution

Tom, as a follow up to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Washington College Center for Environment and Society for participation of the City of Salisbury in the Shore Power Project, the City needs to adopt a Resolution to register in the Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipal Certification Program as a Sustainable Maryland Certified Community.

Attached is a copy of the MOU for reference and a proposed Resolution for consideration.

The Center is currently in the process of completing work on the energy report from data we have provided.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to call.

Mike Moulds