

RESOLUTION NO. 2381-08

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF WINDSOR, COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING DEVELOPMENT OF A REGIONAL CLIMATE PROTECTION COORDINATION PLAN AND THE INITIAL FRAMEWORK FOR IMPLEMENTATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Windsor is committed to the environmental and economic well being of our Town, region, state, nation and world; and,

WHEREAS, this commitment has led us to the establishment of greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets that meet and strive to exceed State requirements under AB32 for our jurisdiction's operational activities and our community-wide GHG emissions; and,

WHEREAS, we have joined with the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Sonoma, the County of Sonoma, the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Sonoma County Transportation Authority and civic organizations in the establishment of these reduction goals; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize that the strategic benefit of working together far exceeds the potential of working alone; and,

WHEREAS, our environmental goals, legislative demands, and economic constraints create an opportunity to establish a cost-effective and coordinated plan that will help to focus our efforts to reduce GHG emissions in Sonoma County to 25% below 1990 levels by 2015; and

WHEREAS, this planning effort will be titled the Regional Climate Protection Coordination Plan (RCPCP); and,

WHEREAS, the coordination and implementation of the RCPCP can be most effectively performed by an agency which encompasses the geographic area of Sonoma County and includes representation from the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Sonoma, and the County of Sonoma; and

WHEREAS, the RCPCP will include and account for the reduction measures already implemented by the constituent entities; and,

WHEREAS, this coordination effort will establish a partnership between Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Sonoma, the County of Sonoma, the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Sonoma County Transportation Authority and other related parties that will be called upon to serve as the Program Coordinating Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Transportation Authority includes elected officials from all of the partnering agencies in Sonoma County and has agreed to initiate the coordination effort, on an interim basis, by serving as the Policy Advisory Committee and providing project management; and,

WHEREAS, an executive summary and organizational framework that identifies roles and responsibilities have been developed and attached hereto;

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Transportation Authority with the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Sonoma, the County of Sonoma, and the Sonoma County Water Agency, has assembled a work plan, a phased process and a Plan Development and Implementation Team to coordinate the RCPCP; and

WHEREAS, the status of the initial phases of this coordinated effort will be reported to the partnering agencies within one year of inception and member agencies may take actions to amend or augment the partnering effort; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Windsor does hereby support and adopt the framework to develop the Regional Climate Protection Coordination Plan; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Plan Development and Implementation Team and project management will report on the development of the RCPCP on a regular basis to the Policy Advisory Committee; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, within one year of the inception of this partnering effort the Sonoma County Transportation Authority will prepare an Annual Report to present to the Partner Agencies that will include accomplishments to date and progress towards established goals.


PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 5th day of November 2008, by the following vote:

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS ALLEN, GOBLE, PARKER, SALMON AND
MAYOR FUDGE**

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE


DEBORA FUDGE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


MARIA DE LA O, TOWN CLERK