

**CITY OF SILVERTON**  
**RESOLUTION**  
**18-10**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SILVERTON CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING A CLIMATE CHANGE/ENERGY USE STUDY TO BE CONDUCTED BY SUSTAINABLE SILVERTON**

**WHEREAS**, Sustainable Silverton, a local grassroots organization, addressed the Council at its February 5, 2018 meeting and indicated that climate change threatens to significantly impact the surrounding natural environment and resources on which Silverton's economy and livability depend; and

**WHEREAS**, Sustainable Silverton noted that Silverton must anticipate the effects that reduced stream flows, severe storms, prolonged drought, increasing wildfire risks, and other predicted shifts in the natural environment will have on food security, business supply chains, recreation, tourism, and quality of life in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the group also stated that the cost of clean energy technologies has fallen quickly and distributed energy systems are on the horizon; and

**WHEREAS**, Sustainable Silverton requested the City Council be proactive in the face of the changing energy sector and the changing climate by adopting a resolution to support a study to be conducted by Sustainable Silverton that will look at strategic energy use opportunities and climate change mitigation needs specific to Silverton; and

**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes our community partners PGE and Northwest Natural as significant stakeholders and invites their contributions to this study.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SILVERTON, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** The City Council acknowledges that both the climate and the energy sector are changing: the City is facing reduced snowpack and increased drought and forest fires, but also has the ability to reduce emissions and increase the City's resiliency.

**Section 2:** The City Council acknowledges it has the opportunity to make decisions about how climate changes and energy sector advances are addressed using a proactive approach. The City will study how it can use strategic energy planning to ensure optimum benefits and mitigate future challenges.

**Section 3:** The City Council supports a Sustainable Silverton study concerning the strategic energy use opportunities and climate change mitigation needs specific to the City.

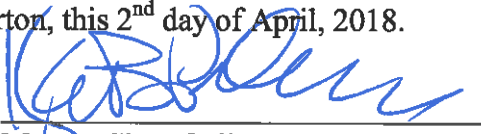
Section 4: The Study will be performed by Sustainable Silverton with minimal assistance from the City in acquiring data, if available, and will be completed within the first half of this year, 2018.

Section 5: The City wishes to involve the public and stakeholders in the preparation of the study through its Environmental Management Committee.

Section 6: The City Council agrees to consider the results and recommendations of the study.

Section 7: That this resolution is and shall be effective after its passage by the City Council.

Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Silverton, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2018.



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Mayor, City of Silverton  
Kyle Palmer

ATTEST



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City Manager/Recorder, City of Silverton  
Christy S. Wurster