

RESOLUTION NO. 002435
PASSED February 25, 2002

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, to join the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville supports cost-effective ways to meaningfully reduce the emission of contaminants into the atmosphere that are detrimental to the local, regional, and global environment; and

WHEREAS, local governments can directly affect not only the air emissions directly from their own operations, but can also provide meaningful leadership and information to assist its citizens in reducing the air emissions stemming from their activities; and

WHEREAS, The Cities for Climate Protection was established by a United Nations summit of municipal leaders in 1993 to provide a planning framework for greenhouse gas reduction and strategic energy management, and is sponsored by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives and by the United States Environmental Protection Agency;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That in order to support and participate in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, the City of Gainesville hereby pledges to undertake to achieve the five following milestones within the next three years:

1. Establish an inventory and forecast for key sources of greenhouse gases in the City's operations and the community;
2. Set a cost-effective, feasible and meaningful greenhouse gas emissions goal that balances multiple air emissions criteria, considers regional and global implications, and takes into account achievements attained to date;

3. Develop and adopt a local greenhouse gas action plan to achieve those reductions;
4. Begin implementation of the plan;
5. Monitor and report on greenhouse gas emissions and the implementation of actions and measures.

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective immediately.


PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 25 day of February, 2002.



THOMAS D. BUSSING
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form and Legality:



KURT M. LANNON,
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION



MARION J. RADSON
CITY ATTORNEY

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