

Town of Yountville

Resolution Number 21-4048

Adopt Resolution Approving Entering into Cooperative Joint Powers Agreement to Fund and Administer the Napa Countywide Climate Action Program.

Recitals

- A. WHEREAS, as public agencies, Parties are authorized by Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title I of the California Government Code (commencing with Section 6500) to enter into a joint exercise of powers agreement for the funding and performance of joint actions related to regional climate change which each agency is individually authorized to conduct within its own jurisdiction; and
- B. WHEREAS, on October 8, 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a report, "Global Warming of 1.5°C," which states that "Limiting global warming to 1.5°C would require rapid, far-reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society," and projected that the earth could reach and exceed this temperature threshold by as early as 2030, far earlier than previously anticipated; and
- C. WHEREAS, the State of California as a whole, and the Parties, residents, economy, and environment have already experienced adverse effects associated with climate change, such as a prolonged wildfire season and firestorms, rising temperatures, mudslides, severe droughts, property destruction and damage to infrastructure, and recognize that climate change represents a growing danger to human health, safety, economic prosperity, basic services, and natural resources; and
- D. WHEREAS, the Member Agencies recognize that climate change is a global problem, that decisive near-term action is needed to prevent further global warming, and that we must work together with other jurisdictions, because the most practical and cost-effective solutions to climate change which can directly benefit local residents require broad participation and coordination; and
- E. WHEREAS, in June 2019, the Member Agencies all adopted Resolutions regarding the "Countywide Commitment to Address Climate Change," to do the following: (1) address climate change in their respective General Plans, consistent with State guidelines; (2) form a committee to identify countywide goals and strategies for addressing climate change, including an updated greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory, countywide GHG goal and timeline, and common GHG reduction standards for each jurisdiction to adopt independently; and (3) identify potential threats and funding to improve community resiliency; and
- F. WHEREAS, since September 2019 the Parties have supported and participated in the Climate Action Committee ("CAC") to share information on climate change strategies and coordinate on regional policies and actions; and
- G. WHEREAS, the Parties agree to share the costs of administering the CAC and any future joint actions related to regional climate change including a greenhouse gas inventory as outlined in the JPA Agreement Exhibits; and
- H. WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into an agreement for the purpose of addressing climate change through a regional effort and to seek out funding opportunities to assist in achieving common greenhouse gas reduction goals and strategies, as agreed to by the individual Member Agencies.

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Now therefore, the Town Council of the Town of Yountville does resolve as follows:

1. Hereby Adopts the Resolution Authorizing the Town entering into a Cooperative Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to Fund and Administer the Napa Countywide Climate Action Program.
2. Authorizes Mayor to execute final version of draft JPA agreement which may have non-substantive edits subject to review by Town Manager and Town Attorney.
3. The Resolution is hereby adopted and becomes effective and in full force immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Yountville, State of California, held on this 6th day of April, 2021 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

John F. Dunbar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Dahme, CMC
Town Clerk