

City of Hudson, Ohio

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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
6/19/2018	1	City Council	third reading	
6/19/2018	1	City Council	amended	Pass
6/19/2018	1	City Council	adopted as amended	Pass
6/12/2018	1	City Council Workshop	item forwarded	
6/5/2018	1	City Council	second reading	
5/15/2018	1	City Council	to suspend the rule requiring three readings	Fail
5/15/2018	1	City Council	first reading	

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Legislative History

None.

Purpose & Explanation

Throughout the years, the City of Hudson has made great strides in its efforts toward environmental sustainability, and in several areas, is a model of best practices as a steward of the environment for future generations. This government stewardship has included addressing all aspects of environmental efforts, from recycling programs, a solar power training facility to promote the use of alternative energy, aggressive

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preservation of park land and open space, to the creation of a walkable, bicycle-friendly community to reduce vehicle emissions. These efforts include the creation of the Environmental Awareness Committee to educate on recycling and other environmental issues as directed by Hudson City Council. Another example is Keep Hudson Beautiful, an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, that was formed to promote recycling, reduce litter, and beautify the community. The City's Green on the Green event encourages citizens and youth to participate in environmental conservation and preservation.

Each small step the City takes toward environmental initiatives impacts the environmental sustainability of Hudson for future generations. According to research by Drawdown, a coalition of researchers, scientists, policy makers, business leaders, here's how some of the solutions Hudson has in place or is planning would affect the environment worldwide.

- Solar Arrays: reduce the CO2 equivalent by 36.90 gigatons.
- Rooftop Solar Programs: 24.6 gigatons reduced.
- Afforestation (planting trees): 18.06 gigatons reduced.
- LED Lighting (commercial): 5.04 gigatons reduced.
- Walkable Cities: 2.92 gigaton reduction.
- Household Recycling: 2.77 gigatons reduced.
- Bike Infrastructure: 2.31 gigaton reduction.
- Forest Protection: 6.20 gigatons reduced.

This resolution honors many of the environmentally friendly practices Hudson has in place and establishes Hudson's continuing commitment to a culture and programs that promote environmental sustainability.

Timing Considerations

None.

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Fiscal Impact

Currently Budgeted
Supplemental Appropriation Required
Appropriation Not Required.

Suggested Action

Staff recommends passage of this Resolution.

Submitted by,

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