

CITY OF STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-_____

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ROUTT COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Steamboat Springs has as its vision to preserve our past while assuring an economically, culturally, and environmentally sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, Colorado has warmed substantially in the last 30 years and even more over the last 50 years. Future estimates project temperatures rising an additional 2.5° F to 5° F by 2050, meaning the warmest summers from our past may become the average summers in our future; and

WHEREAS, Studies show that climate change and public health are linked. Public health can be affected by disruptions of physical, biological, and ecological systems and resulting increase of respiratory and cardiovascular disease, injuries and premature deaths related to extreme weather events or wildfires. Disruptions can also lead to changes in the prevalence and geographical distribution of food- and water-borne illnesses and other infectious diseases, and threats to mental health and general well-being resulting from potential economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, Routt County partnered with the City Steamboat Springs to update the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory, last updated in 2005. The inventory and report compares data and trends between 2005 and 2018, and examines expected levels of GHG's projected to the year 2050; and

WHEREAS, Colorado House Bill 19-1261 includes statewide goals to reduce 2025 greenhouse gas emissions by at least 26%, 2030 greenhouse gas emissions by at least 50% and 2050 greenhouse gas emissions by at least 90% of the levels of greenhouse gas emissions that existed in 2005; and

WHEREAS, The Routt County Climate Action Plan provides a menu of options for partnering governments and stakeholders to select and implement in order to reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions to meet stated targets and goals and in support of climate action; and

WHEREAS, The Climate Action Plan is the next step needed for coordinated, collaborative work on Greenhouse Gas reduction and climate action on the part of Routt County, Steamboat Springs, Hayden, Yampa, Oak Creek, and other local stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO, THAT:

The City Council of the City of Steamboat Springs hereby approves the Routt County Climate Action Plan, [a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"](#), and by this reference made a part

hereof. The City Council further authorizes the City Manager and City Council President to execute all documents necessary to effect this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 6th day of July, 2021.

Jason Lacy, President
Steamboat Springs City Council

ATTEST:

Julie Franklin, CMC
City Clerk