

## RESOLUTION NO. 181000

Directing the City Manager to enter into negotiations to procure carbon-free energy; directing the City Manager to achieve certain Energy Star certifications by December 31, 2023; directing the City Manager to establish an electric vehicle procurement initiative and make certain all-electric or plug-in-hybrid-electric vehicle purchases in calendar years 2021 to 2026; directing the City Manager to identify land for community solar projects and develop a plan for City employees to procure energy from such projects; and directing the City Manager to make a progress report to Council by December 1, 2019.

WHEREAS, Kansas City has been a leader in acknowledging the effects of climate change, on the City, region, State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, the City, in partnership with local energy providers, the business community and general public, is making progress to ensure that buildings are more energy efficient, wind and solar are increasingly a greater part of the City's electricity mix, and electric vehicles are being used in significantly greater numbers; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have consistently expressed their support of the goals of the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement, including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Sly James reaffirmed the City's commitment to abide by the targets set out in the Paris Climate Agreement by joining other mayors from cities across the country in pledging to "adopt, honor, and uphold the commitments to the goals enshrined in the Paris Agreement"; and

WHEREAS, Council, in Resolution No. 170484 adopted on July 20, 2017, asserted that the City "continues to support the principles of the Paris Climate Agreement" and the City "will continue to stand with cities and other public and private sector partners throughout the world to advance action in accordance with the goals outlined in the Paris Climate Agreement"; and

WHEREAS, Council, in Resolution No. 170586, adopted on August 17, 2017, directed the City Manager to study the feasibility of implementing certain measures necessary to make progress towards the City's goals related to the Paris Climate Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, on March 29, 2018, reported that it was feasible to enact the measures outlined in Resolution No. 170586;

WHEREAS, achieving these measure would improve the health of City residents, reduce energy costs, create jobs, and help to mitigate climate change by greatly reducing the City's carbon footprint; and

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WHEREAS, in order to make progress towards the City's commitment to achieve targets set out by the Paris Climate Agreement, the City needs to obtain all its electricity used for municipal operations from carbon-free sources, make City buildings more energy efficient, procure electric vehicles for municipal fleets, and allow municipal land to be used for community solar facilities; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager shall enter into negotiations in the first quarter of 2019 to procure all of its electricity for municipal operations from carbon free sources with KCP&L with a goal of converting to carbon free electricity by December 31, 2020.

Section 2. That the City Manager is directed to achieve Energy Star certification for 90% of all eligible municipal buildings of 25,000 square feet or more by no later than December 31, 2023.

Section 3. That the City Manager shall work with other governmental entities to establish an electric vehicle procurement initiative, and ensure at least fifty percent of the City's new bus and passenger sedan purchases are all-electric or plug-in-hybrid-electric vehicles for calendar years 2021 to 2026.

Section 4. That the City Manager shall survey and identify by June 30, 2020, what parcels of City-owned land might be appropriate for community solar projects, and shall develop a plan by June 30, 2020 that allows City employees to procure solar for their own needs from such community solar projects.

Section 5. That the City Manager shall provide a report to the City Council by December 1, 2019, on the progress towards achieving the above initiatives.

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