

## **RESOLUTION No. 3498**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF RED LODGE, MONTANA TO ADOPT THE CITY OF RED LODGE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Red Lodge and the National Center for Appropriate Technology Energy Corps Americorps Program have had an agreement since 2015 for the development of City related energy conservation projects and programs utilizing a Montana Energy Corps Member/City Sustainability Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, multiple energy related projects and programs have been completed since 2015 resulting in a reduction of City related energy use and costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Energy Corps member was further tasked with developing realistic energy and greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals for the City through development of a City Energy Conservation Plan based upon the Red Lodge Baseline Assessment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Red Lodge Baseline Assessment was completed in October 2017 utilizing ICLEI (Local Governments for Sustainability) software that developed an inventory measuring baseline energy usage, energy costs, and greenhouse gas emissions produced by City operations during calendar year 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Baseline Assessment has been presented to the City Council, City Departments and community groups; and

**WHEREAS**, a City Employee Survey and a Community Survey were conducted to gather additional local input; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Energy Conservation Plan was presented to the Council Public Works Committee on September 24, 2018 for discussion and formally debuted to the public at the Red Lodge Soil to Sun Eco-Fair on September 29, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Energy Conservation Plan was brought before the full Council on October 9, 2018 for discussion; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of the City of Red Lodge Energy Conservation Plan will provide opportunities for the programs, policies, and projects to be implemented, resulting in further reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and cost savings for the City.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Red Lodge City Council:

1. That the City Council adopts the City of Red Lodge Energy Conservation Plan, referenced as Exhibit A.
2. That implementation of the City of Red Lodge Energy Conservation Plan may be conducted by the Red Lodge City Council and a Council Sustainability Board whose composition shall be determined by the Council.

3. That the City of Red Lodge Energy Conservation Plan be considered for inclusion in the Growth Policy when the Growth Policy process is opened for update and modification.

**INTRODUCED** at a Regular meeting of the City Council on October 23, 2018 by Council Member

Thompson.

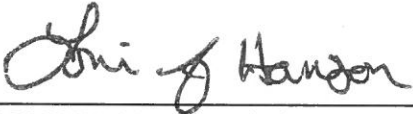
**PASSED AND APPROVED** BY THE RED LODGE CITY COUNCIL on this 23rd Day of October 2018.

City of Red Lodge:



WILLIAM LARSON, Mayor

Attest:



LONI HANSON, City Clerk



REBECCA NARMORE, City Attorney