



TOWN OF FALMOUTH RESOLUTION

2018 Municipal and School Energy and Sustainability Plan

- Whereas,** the Town signed the Mayor's Agreement in 2007 and pledged to reduce Town greenhouse gas emissions by 2% annually; and
- Whereas,** the Green Ribbon Commission conducted an emissions analysis and offered recommendations to reduce emissions within a Climate Protection Plan in 2009 which plan was accepted by the Falmouth Town Council; and
- Whereas,** a standing committee, the Recycling and Energy Advisory Committee, was established in 2010 to implement recommendations from the Climate Protection Plan; and
- Whereas,** the Town's 2013 Comprehensive Plan incorporates objectives regarding land preservation, multi-modes of transportation, and other initiatives that focus on sustainability; and
- Whereas,** a consultant, hired to update Falmouth's greenhouse gas emissions, identified that gross square footage of municipal buildings has increased by approximately 25% since 2007, but efficiency measures have held greenhouse gas emissions steady, resulting in a 1% reduction; and
- Whereas,** the Recycling and Energy Advisory Committee has developed a new plan, titled Municipal and School Energy and Sustainability Plan; and
- Whereas,** it is recommended that a new baseline be established from 2007, the original Green Ribbon Commission, to 2012 to incorporate these changes, and that this updated plan will sunset the original Green Ribbon Commission Report.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED THIS 26th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2018, THAT:

1. The Town Council has reviewed the report and recommended actions.
2. The Town Council supports the report, but not necessarily every recommended action, and does not yet commit to the allocation of funding that will be required to implement specific initiatives or actions outlined in the report.
3. The Town Council, will rely on the Energy and Sustainability Coordinator and the Recycling and Energy Advisory Committee to begin implementation of the Municipal and School Energy Sustainability Plan.
4. The Recycling and Energy Advisory Committee will regularly update the Town Council on its progress toward implementing the plan.

Attest: _____
Ellen Planer, Town Clerk

Date: _____