

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS, HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2007.

A regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Johnson County, Kansas was held on Thursday, December 13, 2007, with the following members being present and participating; to wit:

Chairman Annabeth Surbaugh
Commissioner C. Edward Peterson
Commissioner John P. Segale
Commissioner David A. Lindstrom
Commissioner Ed Eilert
Commissioner Douglas E. Wood
Commissioner John M. Toplikar

WHEREUPON, there came before the Board for consideration the matter of adopting a resolution establishing goals for Johnson County Government for the reduction of greenhouse gases and other emissions from county government operations and sources within the community and thereby mitigating the environmental risks associated with those emissions.

The Board, being fully informed, upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried, adopted the following resolution, to-wit:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING GOALS FOR JOHNSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR
THE REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND OTHER EMISSIONS

Resolution No. 098 -07

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, as the governing body of Johnson County, has the authority and responsibility to adopt and establish policies and practices for the efficient and effective operation of Johnson County Government; and

WHEREAS, emissions from the use of fossil fuels have been shown to have an adverse impact upon air quality and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Johnson County desires to respond to the calls of such respected organizations as the United Nations International Panel on Climate Change, the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, the Union of Concerned Scientists, the Evangelical Climate Initiative Forum, the American Planning Association, the American Medical Association, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the International City/County Management Association, and the National Association of Counties to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and other pollutants; and

WHEREAS, Johnson County recognizes that the problems resulting from fossil fuel emissions are significant enough to require substantial reductions in such emissions; and

WHEREAS, many state and local governments throughout the nation, both large and small, are reducing pollutants through a series of activities that simultaneously provide economic and quality of life benefits; and

WHEREAS, emissions reduction programs can benefit communities through reduced energy bills, green space preservation, air quality improvements, reduced traffic congestion, improved transportation choices, and economic development and job creation through energy conservation and new technologies; and

WHEREAS, the members of the National Association of Counties (NACo) support immediate and long-range efforts to mitigate sources of greenhouse gases and other emissions and have agreed that NACo will provide leadership in the education, discussion, evaluation, and decision making regarding such emissions that affect counties; and

Whereas, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the Johnson County Government and the citizens of Johnson County to establish goals and implement measures to reduce greenhouse gases throughout Johnson County consistent with the National Association of

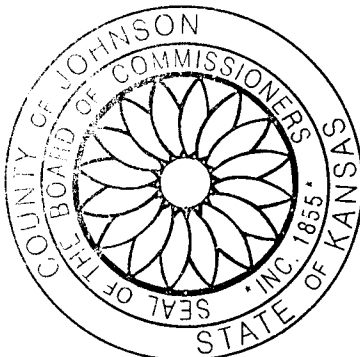
Counties “Green Government” program, the King County, Washington “Cool Counties” program and other similar initiatives; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Johnson County, Kansas that Johnson County Government, working with the municipalities and businesses located in the county, as well as surrounding cities and counties, the National Association of Counties, and other partners, will take action to mitigate sources of greenhouse gases and other emissions by working toward the following goals:

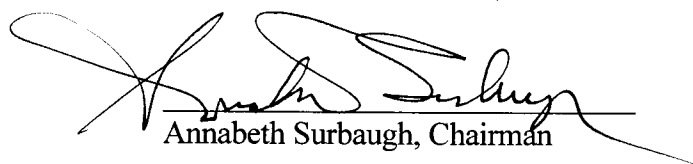
1. Conduct an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions from Johnson County Government operations and activities and reduce those emissions by at least one-third by the year 2020;
2. Reduce the amount of greenhouse gases associated with energy use in the new and substantially renovated buildings occupied and used by the Johnson County Government to zero by the year 2030;
3. Conduct a community-wide inventory of greenhouse gas emissions within the county, and develop and implement a plan to reduce those emissions by 80 percent by the year 2050; and
4. Provide leadership to enhance understanding of the impacts of greenhouse gases and other emissions and to encourage reduction of those emissions in our community and region through public education, open dialogue, and partnerships.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the County Manager and the County Sustainability Program Director shall take such actions as are necessary to incorporate the goals established by this resolution within the strategies and practices of Johnson County Government and to implement planning processes necessary to accomplish the goals.

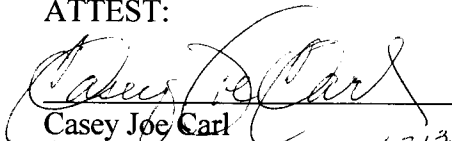
Adopted this 13th day of December, 2007.



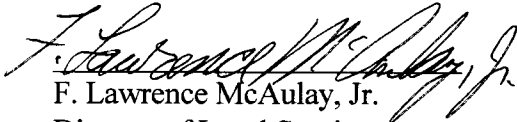
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS


Annabeth Surbaugh, Chairman

ATTEST:


Casey Joe Carl
Clerk of the Board 12/30/07

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


F. Lawrence McAulay, Jr.
Director of Legal Services

APPROVED 5-2 (JPS)
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CASEY JOE CARL
CLERK OF THE BOARD
JOHNSON COUNTY KANSAS