

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR  
RESOLUTION NO. R-73  
SERIES 2021**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF  
SUPERIOR APPROVING THE TOWN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE  
INTERNATIONAL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY "RACE  
TO ZERO" PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees recognizes the significant climate impacts to the Superior community and many others that are already taking place, and the likelihood that these impacts will continue to intensify in the coming years, including additional infrastructure costs, health impacts to community members, economic impacts to businesses, water supply and water quality challenges, and others;

**WHEREAS**, the Town has acted to achieve climate action goals related to greenhouse gas emission reduction, energy conservation, waste reduction, water conservation and air quality by participating in Colorado Communities for Climate Action and by becoming a member of the International Local Governments for Sustainability organization ("ICLEI");

**WHEREAS**, the ICLEI Race to Zero program is a global campaign that supports local governments in their efforts to decarbonize the economy and achieve 2030 emissions reduction goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has determined that is in the Town's best interest to join the ICLEI Race to Zero program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, COLORADO, as follows:**

**Section 1.** The Board of Trustees hereby approves the Town's participation in the ICLEI Race to Zero program and authorizes the Town Manager to execute all documents necessary to join the program.

**Section 2.** The Board of Trustees hereby pledges that:

- a. The Town recognizes the global climate emergency;
- b. The Town is committed to keeping global heating below the 1.5° Celsius goal of the Paris Agreement;

c. The Town is committed to putting inclusive climate action at the center of all urban decision-making, to create thriving and equitable communities for everyone;

d. The Town invites our partners - political leaders, corporations, trade unions, investors, and civil society - to join us in recognizing the global climate emergency and help us deliver on science-based action to overcome it;

d. The Town pledges to reach (net)-zero in the 2040s or sooner, or by mid-century at the latest, in line with global efforts to limit warming to 1.5° Celsius;

e. In advance of COP26, the Town will explain what steps will be taken toward achieving net zero, especially in the short-to-medium-term;

f. The Town will set an interim target to achieve in the next decade, which reflects a fair share of the 50% global reduction in CO2 by 2030 identified in the IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5° Celsius;

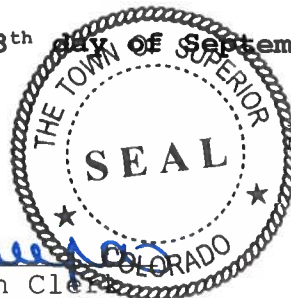
g. The Town will immediately proceed to planning at least one inclusive and equitable climate action as listed on [www.citiesracetozero.org](http://www.citiesracetozero.org) that will help to place the Town on a resilient pathway consistent with the 1.5° Celsius objective of the Paris Agreement and begin implementation no later than 2022; and

h. The Town will report its progress annually, beginning no later than 2022, to the usual or recommended reporting platform.

**ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

  
Patricia Leyva, Town Clerk



  
Clint Folsom, Mayor