

RESOLUTION NO 2017 - 19

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PHOENIXVILLE, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA IN SUPPORT OF PHOENIXVILLE BOROUGH VISION FOR A FUTURE WITH 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY

WHEREAS, Global warming is a long term threat to survival on this planet as we know it; and

WHEREAS, Adverse environmental impacts associated with the use of fossil fuels pose immediate, direct and indirect health risks to children, and all current and future residents, workers and visitors; and

WHEREAS, There is a finite supply of fossil fuels; and renewable energy sources are becoming the most cost-effective and will be the more stable future sources of power generation; and

WHEREAS, A significant energy cost savings for residents and local businesses can stimulate new economic activity in the Borough; and the environmental and public health benefits should be enjoyed by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Phoenixville Borough Council recognizes:

1. That these goals can be reasonably met based upon existing and new national, state, and local initiatives; and
2. Join other leading towns and cities in the national movement to transition to 100% clean and renewable energy, and complete this transition for electricity by 2035 and 100% renewable energy for heat and transportation by 2050; and
3. That in 2018 Borough Council and Staff will review and make recommendations for interim milestones and implementation strategies to achieve the renewable energy targets for the Borough's various facilities and operations; and
4. That clean renewable energy be defined as carbon-free and pollution-free energy generated sustainably from renewable sources such as wind, solar, small hydro, tidal and geothermal; and

5. That locally produced and distributed energy is prioritized whenever feasible for the many advantages it provides to the community; and

6. That staff report back annually to Council on the progress of achieving the interim milestones and targets and associated work plans.

PASSED by Borough Council this 12th day of September, 2017.

By: 
James C. Kovaleski
President, Borough Council

ENACTED this 12th day of September, 2017.

By: 
E. Jean Krack, Borough Manager/Secretary

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the said Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of Borough Council held on the 12th day of September, 2017.

By: 
E. Jean Krack, Borough Manager/Secretary