

I, Amy T. Harvey, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of (2023-06-14/R-5) adopted by the Chapel Hill Town Council on June 14th, 2023.

This the 15th day of June, 2023.

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Deputy Town Clerk**



A RESOLUTION TO ALIGN THE TOWN'S 2030 CARBON REDUCTION GOAL WITH AN UPDATED SCIENCE-BASED TARGET (2023-06-14/R-5)

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2018, the Council amended Chapter 5 of the Town Code to include the Architecture 2030 Challenge Fossil Fuel Reduction targets; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2019, the Council adopted a resolution committing to plan for Chapel Hill to transition to 100% clean, renewable energy community-wide by 2050; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2021, the Town of Chapel Hill adopted a Climate Action and Response Plan, which charts a course for reducing the emissions that cause climate change and adapting to our changing climate, including a goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chapel Hill reports annually to [CDP](#) for emissions disclosure and climate action reporting purposes; and

WHEREAS, CDP recommends that all reporting communities adopt mid-term (2030) emissions reduction targets that are aligned with each community's fair share of limiting global warming to 1.5°C; and

WHEREAS, CDP recommends that the Town of Chapel Hill use the WWF One Planet City Challenge methodology; and

WHEREAS, updating the Town's 2030 emissions reduction target better defines the level of commitment needed in 2023, represents the Town's fair share of global emissions reduction based on historic emissions and current development levels within the United States, maintains the Town's eligibility as a CDP A-list community, and can make it easier to meet the Town's goal of reaching net-zero emissions by 2050.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council updates the Town's mid-term (2030) emissions reduction target to 59.31% from a 2005 baseline.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2030 absolute emissions target is 426,284 MTCO₂e or 5.75 MTCO₂e per capita.

This the 14th day of June, 2023.