

PORT OF COUPEVILLE

ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. #286

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF COUPEVILLE, ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON, TO AUTHORIZE ADOPTING A PROTOCOL TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

WHEREAS, The Port of Coupeville, a political subdivision of Washington State, authorizes and approves this resolution, and

WHEREAS, this organization desires to promote the welfare of the citizens of Island County, and recognizes that escalating energy consumption and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions can be harmful to the health of people, the economy, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Coupeville recognizes that by improving the energy efficiency in its operations and purchasing, it can realize significant monetary savings and quality of life enhancements in the long term; and

WHEREAS, many local governments throughout the nation, both large and small, are reducing the production of global warming pollutants through programs that provide economic and quality of life benefits, such as 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 energy.

WHEREAS, GHG emissions poses a threat to the region's natural and economic systems, including: timing and quality of water flows; water supply availability; snow pack; hydroelectricity; forest health; air quality and related human health issues; and agriculture, amongst others; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Coupeville will continue their efforts to reduce GHG emissions through policy and actions as technology and budget provide alternatives;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Port of Coupeville adopts the following policies and/or procedures that will benefit its natural resources and reduce the emission of GHGs:

1. All new buildings should be strong models of cost-effective, energy efficient design.
2. Adopt virtual meetings, training, and other options where appropriate and possible to decrease transportation requirements.
3. Reduce GHG emissions by expanding the use of conservation and/or alternative energy sources in Port owned facilities and lands.
4. Consider ways to reduce pollutants from transportation activities, including fleet vehicles, vehicle policies, maintenance practices, and cleaner fuels.
5. Understand baseline energy use and set targeted energy efficiency goals to reduce GHG emissions.
6. Perform building operations and maintenance by applying energy efficient and GHG limiting standards and best management practices.
7. Utilize water, landscape and pest management practices that are efficient and limit the use of fossil fuels.
8. Encourage partnerships and education for citizens regarding energy efficiency and GHG reduction.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Coupeville at the regular public meeting thereof held this 22nd day of September 2021 and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners being present and voting.

David Day

John Mishasek

Mohammad Mostafavinassab

Attest: This 22nd day of September 2021 _____

Chris Michalopoulos