



June 18, 2020

Via E-mail

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: City of Rossland Resolution – Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Change

At the Regular meeting of June 1, 2020, Rossland City Council endorsed the following motions in support of joining the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy, as put forth by the District of Saanich:

THAT the Mayor Joins the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy by Submitting the commitment letter to the Global Covenant of Mayors Secretariat;

THAT Council directs staff to deliver on the commitments made within the letter and outlined in the report from the District of Saanich;

THAT Council directs staff to prepare correspondence to all local municipalities in the province of British Columbia advising of Rossland's support of the global covenant of mayors for climate and energy and encourage all municipalities to support the initiative.

The City of Rossland encourages you to join in this collective potential and work together in combating climate change in hopes that these actions will aid in reducing our ecological footprint, while working towards a sustainable future to safeguard the health and prosperity of our residents. Please find attached a copy of the signed letter submitted to the Global Covenant of Mayors Secretariat for your reference.

Sincerely,

Kathy Moore
Mayor



June 18, 2020

Global Covenant of Mayors
c/o Global CoM Secretariat
Sent via e-mail to: info@IUC-NA.EU

Re: Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy Submission Letter

I, Kathy Moore, Mayor of the City of Rossland commit to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM), joining thousands of other cities and local governments around the world currently engaged in climate leadership.

GCoM envisions a world where committed mayors and local governments - in alliance with partners - accelerate ambitious, measurable climate and energy initiatives that lead to an inclusive, just, low-emission and climate resilient future, helping to meet and exceed the Paris Agreement objectives.

Whatever the size or location, the mayors and local leaders committed to GCoM stand ready to take concrete measures with long-term impact to tackle the interconnected challenges of climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as access to sustainable energy.

To implement this vision, we pledge to implement policies and undertake measures to (i) reduce/ avoid greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, (ii) prepare for the impacts of climate change, (iii) increase access to sustainable energy, and (iv) track progress toward these objectives.

Specifically, within three years of this commitment, we pledge to develop, adopt, use and regularly report on the following:

- A community-scale GHG emission inventory, following the recommended guidance;
- An assessment of climate risks and vulnerabilities;
- Ambitious, measurable and time-bound target(s) to reduce/avoid GHG emissions;
- Ambitious climate change adaptation vision and goals, based on quantified scientific evidence when possible, to increase local resilience to climate change;
- An ambitious and just goal to improve access to secure, sustainable and affordable energy; and
- A formally adopted plan(s) addressing climate change mitigation / low emission development, climate resilience and adaptation, and access to sustainable energy.

The targets and action plans for mitigation / low emission development must be quantified and consistent with or exceed relevant national unconditional commitments defined through the UNFCCC (Intended) Nationally Determined Contribution (NOC). The targets and action plans should be in line with National Adaptation Plans, where these exist; and should be consistent

with the principles around energy access and urban sustainability embodied in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We will explore the allocation of adequate staff resources and institutional arrangements. This includes governance processes, municipal structures and budget allocations to deliver on this commitment and secure continuity.

We acknowledge that there may be additional regional or country-specific commitments or requirements that we commit to follow, and that may be agreed through our city networks or through our direct engagement with local partners of GCoM.

The City of Rossland acknowledges that continued engagement in GCoM and associated Regional or National Covenants, as established, is contingent on complying with the above requirements within established timeframes.

Name and title of person signing this commitment

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathy Moore". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mandated by the Rossland Council on June 1, 2020