

RESOLUTION NO. 17

SERIES 2021

**RESOLUTION OF THE CRESTED BUTTE TOWN COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE TO
APPLY FOR A STATE OF COLORADO, DEPARTMENT OF
LOCAL AFFAIRS RENEWABLE ENERGY INITIATIVE
GRANT FOR THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE SUNSHINE
PARK SOLAR ARRAY DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Crested Butte, Colorado (the "Town") is a home rule municipality duly and regularly organized and now validly existing as a body corporate and politic under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado, Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has available grant funding for the implementation of the Town's specific Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions reduction measures identified through the Town's Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, DOLA is responsible for the disbursement of such funding to successful applicants; and

WHEREAS, the Town staff desires to apply for grant funding for the purpose of helping finance and implement a the Sunshine Park Solar Array Development, a 1.6 megawatt solar array on Town owned property, which was a specific action item adopted in the Town's Climate Action Plan, and for such reason, recommends that the Town apply for such grant funding; and

WHEREAS, a financial commitment from the Town improves competitiveness of the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to apply for such grant funding from DOLA, and hereby instructs the Town staff to so apply in order to enable the reaching the Town's climate action goals; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that it is in the best interest of the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens and visitors of Crested Butte for the Town to apply for the grant funding from DOLA for the purpose of implementing the Sunshine Park Solar Array Development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO, THAT:

1. **Findings.** The Town Council hereby finds that is in the best interest of the Town to apply for DOLA renewable energy initiative grant funding for purposes of funding support for the Sunshine Park Solar Array Development as a component of the Town's Climate Action Plan.

2. **Authorization of Mayor.** Based on the foregoing findings, the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for the grant funding from DOLA's Renewable Energy Initiative grant program. Should any formal contract be required for the receipt of such funds, such contract shall be delivered to the Town Council for approval upon recommendation therefore by the Town Manager.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED BEFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL THIS 16th DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.

TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO

By: *James A. Schmidt*
James A. Schmidt, Mayor

ATTEST

Lyrelle Stanford
Lyrelle Stanford, Town Clerk

(SEAL)



RESOLUTION NO. 19

SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CRESTED BUTTE TOWN COUNCIL ADOPTING A REGIONAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN, AND REAFFIRMING CRESTED BUTTE'S COMMITMENT TO CLIMATE ACTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Crested Butte, Colorado ("**Town**") is a home rule municipality duly and regularly organized and now validly existing as a body corporate and public under and by virtue of the Colorado Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado;

WHEREAS, the Crested Butte Town Council passed Resolution No. 25, Series 2019, declaring a climate emergency, adopting the Climate Action Plan, and solidifying the Town's commitment to climate action; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Town Council set an aggressive five-year goal to reduce the Town's municipal greenhouse gas emissions by 50% and the community at-large's emissions by 25% and, in 2019, created a Climate Action Plan through holding multiple community meetings and utilizing input from a wide variety of regional stakeholders to develop a roadmap to reach this goal; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Crested Butte will work to reverse global warming beyond this 5-year goal by striving to power the Town with 100% renewable electricity by 2030 and achieving Town-wide net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as quickly as possible, and no later than 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Crested Butte is committed to reaching this goal but understands that it must do more to be a leader regionally and among mountain towns to achieve net-zero carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, Crested Butte, our neighboring municipalities, Gunnison County, and our neighboring counties have the insight, drive, and capacity for aggressive climate action, and when we work together across social and geographic borders, we can build transformative networks to combat climate change in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Town, along with its partners in the One Valley Leadership Council, have developed the Gunnison Valley Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan to achieve a 50 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 2015 levels by 2030; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 Gunnison County adopted the Gunnison Valley Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan and is requesting its regional partners to adopt the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO THAT:

1. The Town of Crested Butte commits to adopt the Gunnison Valley Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan, in addition to the 2019 Climate Action Plan already in place.
2. Further, the Town of Crested Butte will strive for the most aggressive standards and actions in each of the plans, and will continue to work with other regional, state, and national partners to mobilize effective climate action.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED BEFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO THIS 16th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020.

TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO

By: _____

James A. Schmidt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lynelle Stanford

Lynelle Stanford, Town Clerk

