

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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RESOLUTION ENDORSING EFFORTS TO SUPPORT ELECTRIC VEHICLE DEPLOYMENT

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change updated its guidance to recognize that the world is already experiencing the impacts of global warming and to avoid most severe climate impacts greenhouse gas emissions must fall by at least 45 percent from 2010 levels by 2030 and to carbon neutrality by 2050; and

WHEREAS, metropolitan Washington is already experiencing the impacts of a changing climate, including increases in temperature and precipitation; and

WHEREAS, COG's Region Forward Vision includes a sustainability goal that calls for a significant decrease in greenhouse gas emissions, with substantial reductions from the built environment and transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, in October 2020 the Board adopted Resolution R45-2020 endorsing an interim 2030 climate mitigation goal of 50 percent greenhouse gas reduction below 2005 and climate resilience goals of becoming a Climate Ready Region by 2030 and Climate Resilient Region by 2050; and

WHEREAS, CEEPC recognizes that strong actions are still needed to avoid the most severe climate impacts and developed the 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan to include recommended actions to meet the region's climate mitigation and resiliency goals; and

WHEREAS, the plan facilitates an equitable transition toward zero emission vehicles, in addition to zero energy buildings, zero waste, and assessing the region's climate hazards and vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS, as discussed at the 2022 COG Leadership Retreat, Electric Vehicle (EV) planning and deployment is a priority for the region and COG's member governments; and

WHEREAS, increased collaboration to support EV plans, programs, and policies within local governments and as a region is necessary to transition towards zero emission vehicles and meet our regional goals outlined in the 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

1. COG's Climate, Energy and Air Program will establish and maintain an Electric Vehicle (EV) Deployment Clearinghouse. This clearinghouse will provide members information on: (1) local EV Plans (government and community-wide), (2) local planning, zoning, permitting, and incentive policies related to EVs and EV infrastructure; (3) local EV and EV charging station related procurement and installation/operations support agreements; and (4) grant and partnership opportunities for EVs and EV charging stations.

2. Establish a Regional EV Deployment Working Group under COG's Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC), to serve as a forum for members to collaborate and coordinate actions related to deploying EVs and EV infrastructure. The working group will focus on: (1) information sharing and collaborating on local EV deployment plans; (2) developing templates for policies pertaining to local planning, zoning, and permitting to bring efficiencies to the process of EV infrastructure installation; (3) developing model partnership agreements (for site hosting, O&M of charging stations, etc.) for use by member governments; (4) developing white papers on "deal structures" for local governments to consider when working within the industry to build EV charging infrastructure, prioritizing equity emphasis areas; (5) developing model incentive programs for consideration by members to expedite EV purchase and/or EV infrastructure installation ensuring that equity emphasis areas are considered; (6) identifying and supporting opportunities to pursue regional grants for EV and/or EV infrastructure.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors
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