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CHAPTER 179**SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

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179.01 COMMITTEE CREATION; MEMBERSHIP.

There is hereby created a City of Kettering Sustainability Committee to be comprised of twelve (12) members, each of whom shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of Council. Each Committee member shall be a resident of the City of Kettering. At least one (1) member shall be a student currently enrolled in a High School or equivalent educational program. Three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from scheduled meetings shall be deemed a resignation from the Committee.

179.02 TERMS OF OFFICE; OFFICERS.

(A) Unless appointed to a shorter term pursuant to Section (B), the term of office of each Committee member shall be for three (3) years with terms commencing on the first day of January and ending on December 31, three (3) years thereafter. The term of the Youth member(s) shall be for a term of three (3) years or until graduation from High School or equivalent program, whichever occurs first.

(B) Initial terms of members shall be staggered between 1 and 3 years so that four (4) members of the Committee shall be appointed by Council each subsequent year. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed for the unexpired balance of that term.

(C) The Committee shall elect the following officers who shall serve for the period January 1 through December 31: Chair; Vice Chair, and Secretary. The Secretary need not be a member of the Committee. The Secretary shall record and prepare minutes of the meetings and document the proceedings of the Committee.

179.02 QUORUM.

For purposes of establishing a quorum to conduct business or take action, at least seven (7) Committee members must be present at a meeting.

179.02 COMMITTEE DUTIES.

The Sustainability Committee shall have the following duties:

- (A) Define and identify the essential elements of “sustainability” that the Council and Kettering Community should incorporate into future decision making;
- (B) Examine existing City Departments and operations to identify current efforts being undertaken to promote sustainability;
- (C) Coordinate with the internal City working groups to identify areas amenable to immediate as well as long term improvements to sustainability;
- (D) Develop methods to solicit input from Kettering residents, school district administration, and area businesses to enhance City-Wide sustainability;
- (E) Establish contacts with neighboring governmental entities for sharing ideas for community-wide sustainability projects;
- (F) Establish a measuring system to evaluate current and suggested sustainability improvements;
- (G) Evaluate cost v. benefit of sustainability improvements;
- (H) Undertake such tasks as are from time to time assigned to it by Resolution of Council;
- (I) Prepare recommendations to the Council to implement the foregoing as well as the following matters:
 - (1) Modifications to City Departments to enhance their efforts to improve sustainability;
 - (2) Coordination with neighboring governmental entities to acknowledge and improve sustainability; and
 - (3) Such other matters deemed appropriate by Council and/or the Committee;
- (J) Annually prepare and submit a year-end report to Council.

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