

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-07**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marshfield acknowledges that the people of Marshfield desire a stable, sustainable future, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marshfield acknowledges that a clean and healthy environment determines the quality of life, where the environment can support and sustain the community, and where citizens are committed to local and regional cooperation and a personal philosophy of stewardship, and

**WHEREAS** the willingness of the City of Marshfield to move in the direction of eco-municipality designation can serve as a model for our citizens, encouraging economic development and industrial initiatives while protecting the ecosystem in which they raise their families, and

**WHEREAS**, by endorsing sustainable community development, the City of Marshfield is joining an international network of eco-municipalities, and taking the initiatives to become one of the first eco-municipalities in central Wisconsin, and

**WHEREAS**, by endorsing sustainable community development, the City of Marshfield is pledging to educate itself further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives in support of sustainable practices, and

**WHEREAS**, the Sustainable Marshfield Committee has made recommendations to the City of Marshfield concerning water quality, transportation and green building, and

**WHEREAS**, the Sustainable Marshfield Committee has unanimously recommended that the City of Marshfield become a sustainable community, and

**WHEREAS**, the following four guidelines were developed by the American Planning Association to help communities implement sustainable practices:

- Reduce dependence upon fossil fuels, and extracted underground metals and minerals.
- Reduce dependence on chemicals and other manufactured substances that can accumulate in Nature.
- Reduce dependence on activities that harm life-sustaining ecosystems.
- Meet the hierarchy of present and future human needs fairly and efficiently.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Marshfield endorse the principles of sustainability as outlined above and apply these principles in its decision making, planning, policy making and municipal practices, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Marshfield pursue the recommendations of the Sustainable Marshfield Committee and create a standing Sustainable Marshfield Committee to advise the Mayor and Common Council on implementation of sustainable practices, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Marshfield contact neighboring municipalities and invite them to participate in following sustainable practices.

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MICHAEL D. MEYERS, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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DEB M. HALL, City Clerk