

Council of the City of Philadelphia Office of the Chief Clerk Room 402, City Hall Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 080038)

RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the City of Philadelphia's grant application for the Department of Energy's Solar America Initiative Market Transformation: Solar City Strategic Partnership.

WHEREAS, The Department of Energy's partnership opportunity is a 2 year grant with a \$200,000 maximum award, which is dependent on a 50 percent cost-share requirement from non-federal sources. The award recipients will be announced March 2008; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Energy's Solar America Initiative grant opportunity aims to form strategic partnerships with U.S. cities to accelerate the adoption of solar technology across the nation; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Energy views city governments as significant users of electricity, key intermediaries to other end users within their jurisdiction, and regulatory entities; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Energy supports innovative approaches to accelerate solar technology adoption at the local level and expects award recipient cities to develop a fully scoped, city-wide solar implementation plan as a deliverable under this project; and

WHEREAS, If selected, the Solar America Initiative would enable Philadelphia to expand its current sustainable objectives to integrate solar technologies into its energy planning, zoning and city facilities; and

WHEREAS, The grant would also help Philadelphia and regional partners establish guidelines for solar projects and increase the amount of renewable energy available to area residents and businesses; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Philadelphia has received nearly \$275,000 in costsharing commitments from partners dedicated to the implementation of a solar technology plan for Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia offers an extraordinary opportunity to replace non-renewable energy sources with solar technology; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That Council does hereby express support for the City of Philadelphia's grant application for the Department of Energy's Solar America Initiative Market Transformation: Solar City Strategic Partnership.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twenty-fourth of January, 2008.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Kenney

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Kenney, Greenlee, Sanchez, Goode, Jones,

Reynolds Brown, Blackwell, Rizzo, Tasco, Miller and Green