

CITY OF LAUREL, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND ADOPTING THE 2025 CITY OF LAUREL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

Sponsored by the President at the request of the Administration.

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel defines sustainability as meeting the environmental, social, and economic needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel is committed to moving its operations and the community towards a more sustainable future that focuses on the following four foundational pillars, People – embracing social equity, fairness, health and wellness, Planet – practicing responsible environmental management and conservation; Prosperity -- supporting local businesses and local economic growth, Peace and Partnership -- implementing joint environmental projects, social infrastructure, education among various groups; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel hereby acknowledges that the residents of Laurel desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel wishes to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically- sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path the City of Laurel is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that to focus attention and effort within the City of Laurel on matters of sustainability, the Mayor and City Council of Laurel desires to pursue local initiatives and actions that will lead to a sustainable community as outlined in the January, 2025 City of Laurel Sustainability Plan ("2025 City of Laurel Sustainability Plan").

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Laurel will adopt sustainable practices within City operations and will update the 2025 City of Laurel Sustainability Plan every eighteen (18) months as necessary.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

SARA A. GREEN, CPM, MMC City Clerk

KYLA M. CLARK President of the City Council

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

KEITH R. SYDNOR Mayor