

RESOLUTION 2023 – 22

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING POLICY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING FOR 2023

Whereas, in January 2023, the Governing Body received a report on the State of the City and reviewed the progress made on the goals established for the prior year, 2022; and,

Whereas, the establishment of policy goals and objectives by the Governing Body promotes the overall efficiency and effectiveness of City services and facilitates community building for current and future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING:

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are incorporated in and made a part of this resolution by reference; and,

Section 2. That the public policy goals of the City of Laramie for 2023 are hereby declared to be:

Infrastructure Planning & Investment	Infrastructure Planning & Investment
ADA & Sidewalks; Address snow & ice sidewalk issues (Snow Angel volunteers); ADA sidewalk, curb & gutter grants. Assist Laramie residents improve accessibility in their neighborhood; Bike paths, walkable spaces; Refocus Traffic Commission to focus on multi-modal advisory group	<p>Prioritize planning and construction/reconstruction of public amenities, facilities and rights-of-way to maximize safe access for persons of all abilities and ages.</p> <p>Increase public awareness about how property owners support accessibility for persons of all abilities. Work with the Disabilities Commission, Board of Health and other interagency partners to improve physical access for differently-abled persons of all ages.</p>
Storm Water West Laramie, Storm Water Franchise Fund; Storm Grate clearing for improved drainage; Drainage	Improve robustness of the storm water management system.
Ivinson bicycle boulevard; invest in bicycle infrastructure	Ensure non-motorized transportation options are integrated comprehensively into municipal and regional transportation systems.

<p>Paving West Laramie 2 blocks north of Snowy Range</p>	<p>Continue Grant Seeking and Aggressive Investment in Water, Sewer and Street Systems</p>
<p>Internet as Utility (FoCo Model)</p>	<p>Assess community connectivity options in effort to ensure adequate broadband infrastructure to retain workforce and businesses. (re: <i>Thrive!</i>, Strategy #10)</p>
<p>Interagency Collaboration</p>	<p>Interagency Collaboration</p>

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Police Officers & Mental Health ; Mental Health Resources for Residents; County-City Mental Health response with Community Mental Health Centre; Drug and Alcohol Diversion Program ; Care Solace & Suicide Prevention Training more widely; Police- Community Collab Mental Health

Continue to participate with the Albany County Mental Health [Interagency] Board to explore and develop community-integrative programs to address mental health needs.

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Expand offerings within the drug and alcohol diversion program.

Conclude growth strategy effort with Albany County and adopt a joint intergovernmental agreement for growth management planning.

	<p>Conclude effort with Albany County to update aquifer protection strategy and establish City Ordinances necessary to enforce the the plan after it is adopted.</p>
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City Services & Resident Engagement	City Services & Resident Engagement
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<p>Outreach program, Community Engagement; Human Rights Commission; Police- Community Relations Board</p>	<p>Implement a Police Community Relations Board. Consider establishing a Human Rights Commission within an overall streamlined structure for resident boards & commissions.</p>
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<p>Modify Agenda language "listening sessions" or "education" "summary" instead of cover sheet.</p>	<p>Implement strategies to raise awareness about and participation in matters being considered by the governing body.</p>
<p>Redesign Council Chambers</p>	
<p>Water Safety Instructor "training for retired citizens. Add part time lifeguards at rec center. Develop an app to streamline/organize volunteers.</p>	<p>Establish a municipal volunteer program and consider smart phone apps and other means for making volunteerism easier.</p>
<p>Economic Development</p>	<p>Economic Development</p>
<p>Snowy Range Road Recreation Alley: Recreation Alley to include: 2nd Rec Center, fields for field hockey, soccer ..., ice center move to West Laramie, fly fishing & ski rentals, etc.</p> <p>URA; After North 4th URA</p>	<p>Evaluate potential to transform the Snowy Range Road corridor to better capture and allow for expansion of the tourism economy stemming from outdoor recreation and to provide essential amenities for the neighbourhood/district. (re: <i>Thrive!</i>, Strategy #13)</p> <p>Initiate Urban Renewal redevelopment of City-owned</p>

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	property for housing and business expansion.
"intentional Housing/Neighbourhood (rather than "fill" approach); City develops affordable housing & Multi unit housing; Affordable housing; Have "University Approved Housing" for students	Explore housing approaches that provide smaller [affordable] housing within intentional neighborhood planning and design (ex: Senior Village, Family starter homes, low-income small homes)
Engineering/planning review for operations and have process to meet new growth	Develop informational resources for developers about federal, state and local building requirements, the demand for housing, and direct partnership opportunities with the city. (re: <i>Thrive!</i> , Strategy #13)
	Improve communication with developers and contractors about changes made to municipal code and ensure Planning and Public Work/Engineering provide information to private sector partners.
7th Penny	Evaluate community needs and potential uses for the available ("7th") penny tax.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 21st day of February 2023.

Brian Harrington
MAYOR AND PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK