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| **Summary of High Impact Actions for Low Carbon Cities**High impact actions our cities can take together to achieve our city’s energy/climate goals**Resilient Cities and Communities Coalition** [www.afors.org/resilientcities](http://www.afors.org/resilientcities) |
|  | **Efficient/ High Performance Buildings** [Resource Guide Link](http://allianceforsustainability.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Buildings-Group-Packet-1.docx)Action 1. **Adopt an Energy Benchmarking Ordinance**Action 2. **Commercial & Multifamily Engagement** Partners in Energy, PACE |
| Action 3. **Adopt a Sustainable Building Policy** - high performance construction with city investment Action 3. **New Buildings - Educating Developers** Xcel design assistance, PACE $ for ConstructionAction 4. **Supporting Legislation or Statewide Policy Improvements** for better new constructionAction 6. **Truth in Sale of Housing Inspections** (adding an energy audit and energy score)Action 7. **Combine multi-family Energy Improvements with 4d Affordable Housing Tax Incentives.** |
|  | **Clean Energy Supply** – [Resource Guide Link](http://allianceforsustainability.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Energy-Group-Packet-1.docx)  Action 1**. Procuring Renewable Energy for City Operations**Action 2. **Solar Ready Building Construction** (City, businesses, multifamily) |
| Action 3. **Expanding Rooftop Solar within City** Businesses, Institutions (schools), ResidentsAction 4. **Support Legislation** (2020 Centerpoint Energy) **to advance renewable natural** gas via PUC Action 5. **Support Legislation** (2021) **to Continue Xcel Energy’s Solar Rewards**Action 6. **Cities commenting on Xcel’s Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) in April, May, June**Action 7. **Additional Cities Helping with City of Minneapolis 100% Renewable Energy Resolution** |
|  | **Low Carbon Transportation/Land Use** [Resource Guide Link](http://allianceforsustainability.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Transportation-Group-Packet.docx)* Electric Vehicles, Transit Investment
* Prioritize, bike, peds, transit
* Equitable, walkable, net zero TOD, in-fill redevelopment
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| Action 1. **Support sustained state, regional & county transit investments. Reprioritize spending.**Action 2. **Prioritize pedestrians, bikes, transit in public right of ways** complete streets, reconstructionAction 3. **Plan for successful & equitable in-fill redevelopment** - Net Zero, Equitable, Walkable, TODAction 4. **Support increased adoption of Electric Vehicles** - City Fleets, E.V. Charging Ordinance Action 5. **Shared Mobility** - joint powers agreement between cities to regulate shared mobility  |
| **TO ADD – Climate Adaptation/Resilience**Green Infrastructure – Storm water, Flood Preparedness, Urban heat island, micro-grids/ storageForestry/Tree Policies, Habitat/Open Space, Pollinators, Soil Health, Sequestration, Farmland/Food/Ag  |
| **Additional Resources –** * [**USDN High Impact Actions**](https://www.usdn.org/uploads/cms/documents/usdn_hips_update_-_september_2018_final.pdf) <https://www.usdn.org/high-impact-practices.html>
* **MN GreenSteps** [**High Impact Policy List**](http://allianceforsustainability.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/HighImpact-Policy-Options-for-Low-Carbon-Cities1.docx)  <https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/page/ordinances>
* **Met Council Resources - soon** - GHG annual reports for cities & scenario planning tools
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**MN GreenSteps** High-Impact Ordinances List <https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/page/ordinances>

* [HighImpact Policy Options for Low-Carbon Cities1](http://allianceforsustainability.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/HighImpact-Policy-Options-for-Low-Carbon-Cities1.docx) Phil Muessig, MN Greensteps 651-757-2594, Philipp.muessig@state.mn.us

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| **USDN High Impact Actions List** <https://www.usdn.org/high-impact-practices.html><https://www.usdn.org/uploads/cms/documents/usdn_hips_update_-_september_2018_final.pdf>Please contact Garrett Fitzgerald, USDN Strategic Collaboration Director, garrettfitzgerald@usdn.org.USDN will prioritize cultivating support for member action in the following areas: |
| **Transportation**1. Major Public Transit Investments2. Major Bike and Ped Investments3. Community Electric Vehicles Adoption4. Autonomous Vehicles PlanningMissing – reducing VMT through upzoning, net zero, walkable TOD, reducing free parking etc.  | **Building Energy Use**9. Electrification of Building Energy Systems10. Energy Benchmarking for Large Buildings11. Energy Upgrades at Trigger Events for Large Buildings12. Zero Net Energy in Private New BuildingsADD MN SpecificSustainable Building PoliciesEducating Developers on Design Assistance, PACEMpls 4D with solar and EE cost share grants  |
| **Energy Supply**5. Renewable Energy Procurement for Government Operations6. Utility-Scale Renewable Energy7. Community Installation of Renewable Electricity8. State/Federal Advocacy on Energy Supply and Efficiency ADD MN SpecificXcel’s IRPMinneapolis 100% Clean Energy ResolutionCenterpoint bill for renewable gas (via IRPs w PUC) | **Consumption and Waste Reduction**13. Organic Waste Management14. Construction Waste Management |