

1                   **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**  
2                   **ORLANDO, FLORIDA, RELATING TO 100% RENEWABLE**  
3                   **ENERGY BY 2050; PROVIDING CERTAIN FINDINGS**  
4                   **RELATING TO, INCLUDING FINDINGS THAT; PROVIDING**  
5                   **FOR SEVERABILITY, CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S**  
6                   **ERRORS, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS, AND**  
7                   **AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
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9                   **WHEREAS**, renewable energy represents an enormous economic opportunity for the  
10 City of Orlando to create jobs in an emerging industry, increase economic security and expand  
11 prosperity for local residents, reduce air pollution and associated public health risks, reduce the  
12 strain on water resources, and save consumers money; and  
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14                   **WHEREAS**, thirty-nine U.S. cities, including San Diego, CA, Salt Lake City, UT and San  
15 Jose, CA have already adopted ambitious 100% clean energy goals, and five U.S. Cities,  
16 including Aspen, CO, Burlington, VT, Greensburg, KS, Kodiak Island, AK, and Rock Port, MO  
17 have already hit their targets to generate 100% of the energy used community-wide from clean,  
18 non-polluting and renewable sources; and  
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20                   **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando, through the Green Works Orlando initiative, has been  
21 working since 2007 to make us the most sustainable city in the Southeast to improve quality of  
22 life of our residents, preserve natural resources, and promote environmental stewardship; and  
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24                   **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando has committed to reducing air pollution and greenhouse  
25 gas emissions in accordance with the Paris Climate Agreement, specifically 90% reduction of  
26 our emissions compared to 2007 levels by 2040; and  
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28                   **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando has developed a strong partnership with Orlando  
29 Utilities Commission (OUC) to advance solar and clean energy efforts, including utility-scale  
30 solar farms, community solar arrays, rooftop solar programs, solar rebates, and more; and  
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32                   **WHEREAS**, in 2010 the City of Orlando was designated as a “Solar America City” and in  
33 2016 designated as a “SolSmart City” by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Solar  
34 Foundation for our leadership in expanding renewable energy; and  
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36                   **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando enabled the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)  
37 and the Solar & Energy Loan Fund (SELF) financing programs to assist home and business  
38 owners with accessing low-cost capital to make clean energy improvements; and  
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40                   **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando will create structured mechanisms to include low-income  
41 citizens in the benefits of renewable energy future including creating quality careers adhering to  
42 local source hiring, a just transition for workers displaced by fossil fuel reduction, equitable  
43 access through ownership and benefits to new opportunity for historically marginalized  
44 communities, and affordable clean energy options; and  
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46           **WHEREAS**, “Renewable Energy” includes energy derived from wind, solar, geothermal,  
47 and wave technology sources. These sources of energy have significant public health co-  
48 benefits associated that can help address pressing environmental justice challenges in sensitive  
49 communities in the City of Orlando and around the country; and

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51           **WHEREAS**, small hydroelectric, biomass, and new low-impact technologies that are not  
52 yet commercially viable may be considered “renewable energy” after being evaluated for  
53 sustainability and environmental justice implications; and

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55           **WHEREAS**, “Renewable Energy” specifically excludes energy derived from fossil fuels,  
56 nuclear, current technology for incineration of municipal and medical waste, and any large-scale  
57 future hydroelectric development; and

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59           **WHEREAS**, the City of Orlando seeks to collaborate with surrounding communities and  
60 communities within OUC service territory to share best practices on planning and  
61 implementation and seek partnerships on implementation pathways where beneficial for both  
62 parties; and

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64           **WHEREAS**, by 2019, the Green Works Orlando team will develop a plan for City of  
65 Orlando operations to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2030 and community-wide 100%  
66 renewable electricity by 2050 that will include a transparent process to seek community and  
67 stakeholder input and develop interim milestones, budget estimates, equity metrics, estimated  
68 financial impacts, financing mechanisms, and the percentage of renewable energy that shall be  
69 locally generated.

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71           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**  
72 **ORLANDO, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

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74           **SECTION 1. RENEWABLE ENERGY COMMITMENT.** It is the goal and policy of the  
75 Orlando City Council, in cooperation with other local governments, private organizations, and  
76 individuals, for 100% of all electricity consumed in the City of Orlando to come from renewable  
77 energy resources and associated technologies by the year 2050.

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79           **SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this resolution or its application to any  
80 person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
81 applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or  
82 application, and to this end the provisions of this resolution are severable.

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84           **SECTION 3. SCRIVENER’S ERROR.** The City Attorney may correct scrivener’s errors  
85 found in this resolution by filing a corrected copy of this resolution with the City Clerk.

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87           **SECTION 4. REPEAL.** All resolutions or parts of resolutions previously adopted and in  
88 conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

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90           **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This resolution takes effect immediately upon  
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**ADOPTED**, after a **PUBLIC HEARING**, by an affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum present of the City Council of the City of Orlando, Florida, at a regular meeting, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

BY THE MAYOR/MAYOR PRO TEMPORE OF  
THE CITY OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

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Mayor / Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST, BY THE CLERK OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE  
CITY OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

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City Attorney

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