RESOLUTION NO. R-23-2018

A RESOLUTION ENDORsing THE
METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS'S GREENEST REGION COMPACT 2

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 10 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the
Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., authorize and encourage
intergovernmental cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Winnetka ("Village") is a member of the Metropolitan
Mayors Caucus ("MMC"), a corporate organization representing municipalities located within
the State of Illinois and the Counties of Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry,
and Will ("Member Municipalities"); and

WHEREAS, the MMC provides a forum for the chief elected officials of its Member
Municipalities to develop consensus and act on common public policy issues and multi-
jurisdictional challenges; and

WHEREAS, the MMC and its Member Municipalities have a history of environmental
stewardship, from energy efficiency, water conservation, urban forestry, and participation in
Clean Air Counts; and

WHEREAS, it is important for local governments throughout the United States and their
elected officials to take leadership roles to advance sustainability both in their own communities
and in concert with regional, national and global initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the MMC created the Greenest Region Compact 2 ("GRC2") to address
environmental sustainability issues of global importance at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the GRC2 is built on important environmental initiatives already underway
in communities, in partnership with many non-profit, state, regional and national organizations;
and

WHEREAS, the GRC2 synthesizes sustainability goals already adopted by leading
communities in the region and these consensus goals align with the common regional, state,
national and global objectives; and

WHEREAS, the GRC2 offers a companion framework to guide communities of all sizes
and strengths to: (i) assess their current efforts; (ii) develop a sustainability plan suited to local
priorities; and (iii) offer resources to help them succeed; and

WHEREAS, the consensus goals of the GRC2 will guide coordinated efforts toward
enhanced quality of life for residents, protection and stewardship of the environment, and
sustainable economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, the Village’s Environmental and Forestry Commission ("EFC") advises
the Council of the Village of Winnetka ("Village Council") on policies and programs that

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improve the Village’s sustainability, environmental stewardship, energy conservation, preservation of natural resources, and protection, maintenance, and improvement of trees and natural life within the Village; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on March 19, 2018, the EFC discussed the benefits and feasibility of the Village’s endorsement of the GRC2 and voted to recommend that the Village Council endorse the GRC2; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that endorsing the GRC2 in the manner set forth in this Resolution will serve and be in the best interest of the Village;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: RECITALS. The Village Council hereby adopts the foregoing recitals as its findings, as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2: ENDORESEMENT OF GRC2. The Village Council hereby endorses the GRC2 proposed by the MMC and expresses its support for the goals set forth therein.

SECTION 3: AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT GRC2. The Village Council hereby authorizes the Village Manager, in consultation with the EFC, to work with the MMC in achieving the goals set forth in GRC2 in the Village and throughout the region.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of April, 2018, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees Cripe, Dearborn, Lanphier, Myers, Swierk and Ziv

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Signed

Village President

Countersigned:

Village Clerk

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