



**RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF UNIVERSITY PARK TO**  
**ADOPT A CLIMATE ACTION FRAMEWORK**

**Whereas**, significant changes in the global climate are occurring, caused by prodigious emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases generated by human activity in the industrial era that have rapidly raised global average temperatures; and

**Whereas**, if present trends in greenhouse gas emissions continue these changes to the global climate will intensify and accelerate; and

**Whereas**, the harms to society caused by climate change will range from severe, if we act quickly to mitigate them, to catastrophic, if we do not; and

**Whereas**, it is urgently necessary to radically and immediately reduce emissions of all greenhouse gases to stave off the worst outcome, and meanwhile to prepare for the consequences we can already anticipate of the level of warming that is already assured; and

**Whereas**, local governments, because of their duty to take care for the public health, safety, and welfare, have a particular obligation to act in the public interest to reduce the causes of climate change and to address its effects; and

**Whereas**, climate impacts are not confined to a small subset of the activities of the government of the Town of University Park, but rather are deeply and inextricably embedded in the full spectrum of those activities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Town of University Park to adopt a climate action framework for the purpose of systematically and deliberately integrating the goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and increasing resilience to climate change into every Town decision concerning any substantial proposed policy or action or purchase, and of ensuring that the Mayor, Council, staff, and residents understand the extent to which the Town, by its decision, will contribute to either worsening or mitigating climate change.

**ADOPTED** by the Mayor and Common Council at a regular public meeting on the 16th day of November, 2020.

*Lenford C. Carey*

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Lenford C. Carey, Mayor

# TUP Adopted 20-R-09 Climate Action Framework

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