

RESOLUTION NO. 24³² - 2009

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY TO ADOPT
THE SAN MATEO COUNTY ENERGY STRATEGY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Portola Valley is committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and taking action on climate change; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Energy Strategy identifies five main goals with associated actions related to renewable energy and energy efficiency, water conservation and new sources of water, collaboration between cities and with utilities, economic development opportunities, and promoting leadership; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Energy Strategy complements and supports the Town's Sustainability Element, its commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions under AB32 and its developing climate action plan.

WHEREAS, the Utility and Sustainability Task Force, an ad hoc committee of the Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee of the City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG), was chartered in 2006 to develop a countywide energy strategy that would consider the county's future energy and infrastructure needs and recommend how to address these needs in an economically, socially, and environmentally responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, the Town received a draft County Energy Strategy in September 2008 for comment and provided comments/feedback to the County; and

WHEREAS, comments from cities were incorporated, and the County Energy Strategy was approved by the County Board of Supervisors and C/CAG Board of Directors in December 2008; and

WHEREAS, the County Energy Strategy is a working document that will be updated periodically; and

WHEREAS, the County Energy Strategy is one piece of a concerted effort countywide called "CO2 San Mateo County" to take action on climate change, including a

new County staff person to provide support to the cities, a new partnership with PG&E called San Mateo County Energy Watch to fund energy efficiency projects in the county, and other resources available to cities from several nonprofit organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Portola Valley adopts the San Mateo County Energy Strategy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town commits to pursuing the next steps recommended by the Strategy: committing to working collaboratively with other cities and the County towards the goals of the Energy Strategy and releasing energy and water utility data to the County and C/CAG for tracking purposes.

Regularly passed and adopted this 11th day of February 2009 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Derwin, Driscoll, Merk and Mayor Wengert

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Toben



Chair/Mayor

ATTEST:



Town Clerk