

A RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTING A NET ZERO DEFINITION FOR THE TOWN OF
CARRBORO BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, the Town Council received a Net Zero Buildings report and presentation at the December 1, 2020 Town Council Meeting by the Town's consultant, Sud Associates, P.A., and subsequently discussed the Net Zero Buildings metric and boundary options presented; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) received the same presentation on January 11, 2021 and have submitted the attached hereto comments; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council and the EAB are in agreement with which Net Zero Buildings definition to adopt for the Town of Carrboro; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council and the EAB also agree that the approach to any Net Zero Buildings project will be to first conserve as much as possible through energy efficiency measures, then to make up the balance through renewable energy generation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Town Council that the following Net Zero Buildings definition be adopted for the Town of Carrboro:

Net Zero Buildings shall be evaluated using greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) as the accounting metric. Renewable energy can be generated off-site to offset GHG emissions from non-renewable energy consumption.

This definition conforms to Option 3C of the attached report.

This the 19th day of February in 2021.