



## CITY OF DETROIT

SCOTT BENSON

COUNCIL MEMBER

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# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Detroit City Council

**Through:** Council President, Mary Sheffield

**From:** Council Member Scott Benson submitting memorandum relative to

**Date:** 1/17/2021

**RE: Resolution Authorizing the Continuation of the  
Detroit City Council Green Task Force**

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### SUMMARY:

**Whereas**, The Federal Government has published an extensive report, the National Climate Assessment, that concluded human activity is the cause of global warming; **and**

**Whereas**, The City of Detroit has agreed to adopt, honor and uphold the United Nations' Paris Climate Agreement goals; **and**

**Whereas**, Some of the goals are delineated in the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which provides a shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future. It is an urgent call for action by all countries; **and**

**Whereas**, A strong, vibrant Green Task Force is needed more than ever to assist the administration in setting policies for a more sustainable city; **and**

**Whereas**, The Green Task Force is made up of a diverse group of practitioners that are derived from advocacy groups, government officials,

industry representatives, foundations, and residents who are all interested in making Detroit a sustainable and resilient city; **and**

**Whereas**, The Green Task Force has seven active subcommittees; Water, Organic Recycling (Composting), Renewable Energy, Recycling and Waste Reduction, Climate Action, Energy Waste Reduction and Transportation whose roles will be to advise the administration on sustainable principles and practices that will better serve the City of Detroit; **and**

**Whereas**, The mission of the Green Task Force is to create and advocate for policies that will reflect a sustainable city; **Now Therefore Be It**

**Resolved**, That the Detroit City Council will hereby continue the Green Task Force effective immediately and continuing through December 31, 2022; **and Be It Finally**

**Resolved**, That Council Member Scott Benson will be chairman of the Green Task Force.

**DEPARTMENTAL CONTACT:**

**Name:** Kerwin Wimberly

**Position:** Senior Policy