1. ***City of Gresham Sustainability Policy***

***Guiding Principles***

Guiding principles are key to the successful incorporation of sustainability in decision making and in our actions:

• Approach problems from a systems perspective, defining mutually supportive economic, social and environmental goals and objectives.

• Incorporate a long-term and global perspective of human activities and environmental conditions when making decisions and establishing policies.

• Account for the social and environmental costs and benefits, as well as making explicit the inherent value of the natural environment.

• Exercise caution in public policy when there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental or public health damage.

• Align regulations, fees and taxes to encourage the widespread adoption of best practices.

• Inspire and promote public action to help Gresham achieve this vision and goals.

***Sustainability Policy***

The City of Gresham will strive to design and deliver services that:

• Support a stable, diverse and equitable economy (ECONOMY)

• Promote community health and well-being, outdoor recreation, cultural awareness, and encourage learning (COMMUNITY)

• Protect and improve the quality of the air, water, land and other natural resources by reducing human impacts and increasing public awareness of the valuable services they provide (ENVIRONMENT)

1. ***Wastewater Division Energy Policy***

The Wastewater Treatment Program will strive to:

• Implement the recommendations of the 2008 ACWA Energy Independence Project.

• Continue purchasing renewable power as a portion of any power purchased from Portland General Electric.

• Consider energy conservation as part of normal plant operations and regularly review operational decisions which promote energy conservation.

• Consider energy conservation improvements with all equipment maintenance or replacement projects.