## **RESOLUTION 2024-12**

## ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT A NOTICE OF INTENT TO COMMENCE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature amended Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451 (the "Act"), effective March 29, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Act now requires the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy ("EGLE") to ensure that all counties have an approved Materials Management Plan (the "MMP");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, EGLE is overseeing the transition from solid waste disposal to a materials management system that will focus on sustainable materials management approaches, such as recycling and composting, instead of just primarily disposal;

**WHEREAS**, the Act provides that an approved solid waste management plan in effect as of March 29, 2023 shall remain in effect until a MMP has been approved;

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2024, EGLE required that all counties, within 180 days, submit a Notice of Intent to prepare an MMP;

**WHEREAS**, a Notice of Intent must state whether the county board of commissioners will prepare an MMP and be the County Approval Agency;

WHEREAS, failure to timely submit a Notice of Intent may result in local municipalities or EGLE preparing an MMP applicable to St. Clair County;

WHEREAS, if St. Clair County submits a Notice of Intent, the Act requires that the County designate a planning agency as the Designated Planning Agency and an individual within the Designated Planning Agency to serve as a point of contact regarding the MMP process.

**WHEREAS**, the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners desires to submit a Notice of Intent to create an MMP to EGLE and to designate a Designated Planning Agency as required by the Act.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners is the County Approval Agency, as defined by the Act, for the St. Clair County MMP. The St. Clair County Board of Commissioners assumes and accepts the responsibilities to carry out the necessary actions of a County Approval Agency under the Act, including, all aspects of developing and implementing a single county MMP.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners appoints the Metropolitan Planning Commission as the Designated Planning Agency for St. Clair County and Lindsey Wallace as the individual within the Metropolitan Planning Commission as the contact person required under Subpart 11 of the Act.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Designated Planning Agency to communicate with neighboring counties and respond to neighboring counties' regarding the option of preparing a multi county MMP pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act, as required by the Act.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to execute a Notice of Intent and/or other documents, consistent with this Resolution, which confirms St. Clair County's intent to create a single county MMP and to submit the same to EGLE.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners directs that within 30 days of submission of the Notice of Intent to EGLE: (i) that a copy of the Notice of Intent be submitted to the governing body of each municipality within St. Clair County; (ii) that the Notice of Intent be published in a newspaper or by electronic media having major circulation or viewership within St. Clair County; and (iii) that local units of government in St. Clair County be requested to publish the Notice of Intent on their websites and other multimedia outlets as appropriate.

DATED: June 20, 2024

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