

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXPLORATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN
THE FORM OF WIND POWER FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 5, 2006

WHEREAS, there is heavy dependence on fossil fuels in Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, fossil fuels are being depleted at an unsustainable rate worldwide;
and

WHEREAS, the uses of these fossil fuels create numerous environmental
problems through air, water, and soil contamination, contributing to a myriad of
human health problems; and

WHEREAS, the cost of fossil fuels as an energy source is multiplying rapidly; and

WHEREAS, these excessive costs are becoming an enormous economic burden
on our residents and businesses through increasing utility bills;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Commissioners
directs the Planning Director to draft a strategic business plan examining the
feasibility of providing wind generated electricity for Washtenaw County and to
provide wind testing and the construction of a Wind Farm to provide additional
electricity for the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to wind power energy, the Planning
Department may present any additional alternative energy sources that may be
appropriate for use and that would enhance the environmental and economic
wellbeing of the County.