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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: **Sustainability Commission Refocus – Resolution Amendment Request**

In December, Mayor and Council chartered the Sustainability Commission to promote measures that encourage Dunwoody to work towards reducing the environmental footprint of the government through its policies, practices, buildings, and fleets.

Over the last six months, the Sustainability Commission has been working with staff to research and pursue measures to attain the Atlanta Regional Commission's Green Communities certification program. Thus far, directly from the Commission's work, the City Council has passed policies or implemented measures achieving 40 of the needed 175 points for certification.

Although the Commission continues to enthusiastically pursue the Green Communities certification, because of the on-going Comprehensive Plan process, they would like to refocus their approach to working on government-only measures. The Comprehensive Plan will provide a guide for the work that affects the community as a whole. Once the Comprehensive Plan is adopted, the Commission will be better equipped to continue work on community measures. As such the **Sustainability Commission is asking Mayor and Council to amend Resolution 2008-12-31 by removal of the deadline for achieving** Green Communities certification.

Staff recommends amending the original resolution authorizing the Sustainability Commission's new focus.