

# Memorandum of Understanding Phase 1 – Plan Development

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Congratulations on joining Xcel Energy's Partners in Energy. This offering is designed to provide your community with the tools and resources necessary to develop and implement an energy action plan that reflects the vision your community has for shaping energy use and supply in its future, building upon the relationships developed and progress achieved through the Energy Futures Collaborative (EFC). Participation is intended to span 24 months with the initial 4-6 months dedicated to developing a strategic energy action plan and the remaining time focused on implementing that plan.

The intent of this Memorandum of Understanding is to confirm the Town of Frisco's intent to participate in the initial plan development phase of Partners in Energy and outline the commitment that your community and Xcel Energy are making to this collaborative initiative. The primary objective of this phase of Partners in Energy is to develop your energy action plan.

### In order to achieve this Xcel Energy will provide:

- Consulting support to assist in identifying potential community stakeholders and constructing or delivering an invitation or informational announcement regarding the planning process.
- Data analysis of community energy use and Xcel Energy program participation to the
  extent that it is legally and technically prudent and feasible. The results can be used to
  identify potential opportunities to implement plan strategies. Xcel Energy will attempt to
  integrate data provided by the Town of Frisco into the analysis if feasible.
- Professional facilitation of 3-4 plan development work sessions with the community stakeholder group to develop the energy action plan's vision, focus areas, goals, and implementation strategies. These sessions are planned for in-person but may pivot to virtual if preferred and/or necessary.
- Virtual meeting platform for stakeholder work sessions (if held virtually).
- Assistance as needed in synthesizing the community and program data collected with the vision of the community to identify attainable goals that align with suitable strategies and tactics.
- Development of the documented energy action plan that will incorporate inputs from the stakeholder planning team and will be accessible to the community.

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### Although participation in the Plan Development phase of Partners in Energy requires no monetary contribution, the Town of Frisco does agree to provide:

- A single contact point to recruit active and engaged stakeholders, coordinate planning meeting logistics and distribute deliverables, and lead participation of the community in the planning process.
- Community staff engagement in developing workshop agendas, participating in regular check-in meetings, and supporting follow-up work between workshops.
- Commitment to ensuring community stakeholder engagement throughout the planning workshops. This could include consultation with key community stakeholders who may be relevant to the plan but not present on the energy action planning team to gain input on proposed goals and strategies.
- Timely review of the energy action plan document, as well as shepherding the completed plan through stakeholder review process.
- Good-faith evaluation of the recommendations and analysis provided, as well as fair consideration of the potential strategies and tactics identified to ensure alignment with the City's goals and priorities.
- Meeting facilities to host the stakeholder group during the development of the plan (if held in-person).
- Identification of existing community energy plans, programs, or initiatives that could be leveraged in successful development and delivery of this plan.
- Commitment to delivering an actionable and complete energy action plan within a 9-month timeframe of Town of Frisco's and Xcel Energy signing this Memorandum of Understanding. Within this period, the Town of Frisco is committed to completing the formation of the energy action planning team and the development and approval of the energy action plan.
- Public distribution of the work products developed with the support of Xcel Energy's Partners in Energy.

## Resource Commitment Summary Plan Development Phase

Town of Frisco	Xcel Energy
Single point of contact	Assistance identifying and recruiting stakeholders
<ul> <li>Support in maintaining community stakeholder engagement throughout the planning process.</li> </ul>	Analysis of community energy use and program participation
<ul> <li>Involvement in development and review of energy action plan content.</li> </ul>	Facilitation of planning sessions
Meeting facilities	Virtual meeting platform
<ul> <li>Access to existing energy-related plans and programs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Training and guidance developing goals and strategies</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Commitment to completing the plan development and approval</li> </ul>	Documentation and delivery of the energy action plan
<ul> <li>Agreement that the energy action plan resulting from this work will be available to the public</li> </ul>	Commitment to completing energy action plan development

The Memorandum of Understanding for the Implementation Phase of Partners in Energy will be developed upon completion of the energy action plan and will outline Town of Frisco's goals and the resource commitment from Xcel Energy and Town of Frisco.

### **Legal Applicability and Waiver**

This is a voluntary agreement and not intended to be legally binding for either party. This Memorandum of Understanding has no impact, nor does it alter or modify any existing Franchise Agreement or other existing agreements between Xcel Energy and Town of Frisco. Parties agree that this Memorandum of Understanding is to memorialize the intent of the Parties regarding Partners in Energy but does not create a legal agreement between the Parties. It is agreed by the Parties that nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding will be deemed or construed as creating a joint venture, trust, partnership, or any other legal relationship among the Parties. This Memorandum of Understanding is for the benefit of the Parties and does not create third party rights. Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding constitutes a waiver of Town of Frisco ordinances, Town of Frisco regulatory jurisdiction, or Colorado's utility regulatory jurisdiction.

### **Single Points of Contact**

All communications pertaining to this agreement shall be directed to Hilary Sueoka on behalf of the Town of Frisco and Tami Gunderzik on behalf of Xcel Energy.

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Xcel Energy is excited about this opportunity to support Town of Frisco in advancing its goals. The resources outlined above and provided through Partners in Energy are provided as a part of our commitment to the communities we serve and Xcel Energy's support of energy efficiency and renewable energy as important resources to meet your future energy needs.

Thank you again for your continued interest in Xcel Energy's Partner in Energy. We look forward to assisting the Town of Frisco in developing its energy action plan.

For Town of Frisco:	For Xcel Energy:
Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date: