

ORDINANCE NO.: 2007-17 (Amended June 26, 2007)
(Amended July 10, 2007)
(Amended August 28, 2007)
SPONSOR: COUNCILWOMAN RIDGEWAY
INTRODUCED: JUNE 12, 2007

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE USE OF GREEN SUSTAINABLE BUILDING PRACTICES IN THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND RENOVATION OF CERTAIN CITY-OWNED AND OPERATED BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, during these times of escalating energy costs and pollution, it is in the best interest of the public welfare and civic responsibility for the City to take a leadership role in resource conservation, reduction of waste generated by construction projects, and increase energy efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the City has found that the benefits of green building are numerous; green buildings use recycled-content building materials, consume less energy and water, have better indoor air quality, and use much fewer natural resources than conventional buildings. Construction waste is often recycled and remanufactured into other building products; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that through use of the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Standards ("LEED"), green building design, construction, and operation can have a significant positive effect on energy and resources efficiency, waste and pollution generation, and the health and productivity of a building's occupants over the life of the building; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that use of green design and construction decisions in the construction and remodeling of City-owned buildings can result in ~~significant~~ **POTENTIAL** cost defines savings to the City over the life of the buildings; and

WHEREAS; the City realizes that in recent years, green building design, construction and operational techniques have become increasingly widespread; many homeowners, businesses, and building professionals have voluntarily sought to incorporate green building techniques into their projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, AND STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION ONE:

All covered buildings constructed after ~~August 1, 2007~~ **JANUARY 1, 2008** shall meet a minimum LEED CERTIFIED, Silver, Gold or Platinum ~~Certified~~ rating **OR GREEN BUILDING INITIATIVE STANDARDS.**

SECTION TWO:
Definitions:

- A. “~~Covered~~ **APPLICABLE** Building” means any ~~City-sponsored~~ **CITY-OWNED** construction project constructing or renovating five thousand (5,000 sq. ft.) gross square feet or more of occupied space, and that has an estimated construction cost exceeding \$200,000.00, that is constructed after the effective date established in this legislation.
- ~~B. “City Sponsored Project” means any construction project primarily funded or sponsored by the City, or on City-owned land.~~
- C. **B** “Construction” means the building or renovation of any new or existing covered **APPLICABLE B** building.
- ~~D.~~ **C** “Green Building Compliance Official” means the City Planning Director, or any competent individual in City Administration so appointed by the Mayor.
- E. **D** “LEED Rating System” means the most recent version, including future updates, of the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Standards Green Building Rating System approved by the United States Building Council. The Green Building Compliance Official shall maintain the most recent version of the LEED Rating System at all times.

SECTION THREE:

~~City-sponsored~~ **CITY-OWNED** projects or structures deemed historic under any federal, state or local law are exempt from, but encouraged to comply with, the requirements of this legislation whenever feasible.

SECTION FOUR:

If, due to specific economic circumstances, compliance with this legislation would defeat the intent or create an unreasonable burden on the City or project, a request for exemption shall be submitted in writing to City Council along with the request for appropriation for the project. The exemption request must explain the hardship or infeasibility, including detail of the burden and a life-cycle cost analysis.

If a waiver is granted by City Council, the project design will reflect as many LEED credits as reasonably achievable.

If individual project appropriation will not be necessary, the Green Building Compliance Official will submit the request for exemption to the Mayor, who will then make the final determination.

SECTION FIVE:

LEED registration and certification through the United States Green Building Council are encouraged but not required **UNDER SECTION FOUR OF THIS ORDINANCE**

SECTION SIX:

All residents and builders are encouraged to use their best efforts to incorporate as many green building measures as feasible from the LEED Rating System and to pursue LEED registration and certification.

SECTION SEVEN:

The City finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the enactment of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council and all deliberations of this Council or any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with Section 121.22, Revised Code.

ADOPTED: August 28, 2007

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Molly Kapeluck, Clerk
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APPROVED: August 28, 2007

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