

RESOLUTION NO. 146-15

ENDORING THE ADOPTION OF GREEN BUILDING PRACTICES FOR MUNICIPAL, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

WHEREAS buildings account for 39% of CO₂ emissions, more than either the transportation or industrial sectors, and for nearly 12% of potable water use, 65% of waste output, and 71% of electricity consumption in the U.S. according to the U.S. Green Building Council; and

WHEREAS green building, also referred to as sustainable or high-performance building, is a collection of better design, construction, and operating practices that have the potential to reduce or eliminate the negative impacts of development on the environment and on human health; and

WHEREAS there are many examples of green building programs and guidelines that have been propagated at national, state, and municipal levels that commonly address energy efficiency and carbon emissions reduction, water conservation, waste reduction, healthy and sustainably produced materials, indoor air quality, occupant productivity and health, and other components of green building and sustainable development; and

WHEREAS the purpose of this resolution is to enhance the public welfare and assure that municipal, commercial, and residential development is consistent with the Township's desire to create a more sustainable community by incorporating green building measures into the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of buildings; and

WHEREAS the Township desires to set a leadership example in the area of green building through the implementation of energy efficiency audits and upgrades to the municipal building stock, improvement in water conservation, and increased construction waste recycling; and

WHEREAS the Township additionally wishes to support green building in the private sector through a combination of educational actions, voluntary actions, and actions that may be required in the future although not at the time of the adoption of this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Voorhees in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Township of Voorhees hereby implements a Green Building Policy that will consider, where practicable, opportunities to incorporate green building measures into the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of municipal buildings and facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township will also encourage the same implementation of green building measures into the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of commercial and residential buildings.

DATED: JULY 13, 2015

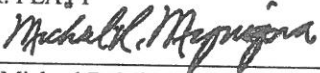
MOVED: MR. DiNATALE

AYES: ALL

SECOND: MR. PLATT

NAYS: NONE

APPROVED:


Michael R. Mignogna, Mayor

I, Dee Ober, Clerk of the Township of Voorhees, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Township Committee, at their meeting of July 13, 2015 held in the Municipal Building, 2400 Voorhees Town Center, Voorhees, NJ.



Dee Ober, RMC
Township Clerk