

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 18-229

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ADOPTION OF GREEN BUILDING
PRACTICES FOR CIVIC, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS**

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

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. There are many examples of green building programs and guidelines that have been propagated at national, state and municipal levels. They commonly address energy efficiency and carbon emissions reductions, 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.

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

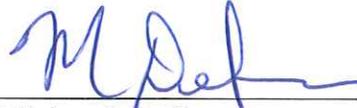
WHEREAS, the Township additionally wishes to support green building in the private sector through a combination of voluntary actions (e.g., including a green building scorecards as a discussion item with the Site Plan approval process), and actions that may be required in future although not at the time of the adoption of this resolution (e.g., amending the Site Plan approval checklist to directly incorporate those green buildings standards available to a municipality), and educational actions (e.g., - make available information on green building programs, guidelines, rebates, etc., to residents of the municipality).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Washington hereby implements a Green Building Policy that will encourage green design for commercial residential buildings.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON


Susan Witkowski,
Township Clerk

BY 
Michael DeSena
Council President

DATED: June 6, 2018

MOTION		SECOND		COUNCIL	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Bruno		Bruno		Bruno	X			
Cascio		Cascio		Cascio	X			
Cumming		Cumming	X	Cumming	X			
DeSena		DeSena		DeSena	X			
Ullman	X	Ullman		Ullman	X			