

HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 06-009

Introduced by Council Member Henson

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ALAMEDA COUNTY
RESIDENTIAL GREEN BUILDING GUIDELINES (FOR NEW
MULTIFAMILY CONSTRUCTION) AS A CITY REFERENCE
DOCUMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Hayward's General Plan sets forth goals for preserving and improving the City's natural and built environment, protecting the health of its residents and visitors, and fostering its economy; and

WHEREAS, green building is a whole systems approach to the design, construction, and operation of buildings, which employs materials and methods that promote natural resource conservation, energy and water efficiency, and good indoor air quality; and

WHEREAS, green buildings benefit building industry professionals, residents and communities by improving construction quality, increasing building durability, reducing, utility, maintenance, water and energy costs, creating healthier homes, and enhancing comfort and livability; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, green building design, construction, and operational techniques have become increasingly widespread in California and the nation, with many homeowners, businesses, and building professionals voluntarily seeking to incorporate green building techniques into their projects; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Waste Management Authority has developed a series of voluntary guidelines designed specifically for the residential building industry for New Home Construction, Home Remodeling and Multifamily ("Residential Green Building Guidelines") that provide helpful and valuable guidance for applying these techniques to residential building projects; and

WHEREAS, the practices contained in these Multi Family Green Building Guidelines were selected for their viability in today's market and their ability to promote sustainable buildings and communities; and

WHEREAS, a number of cities and counties throughout California have used these guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to section 15308, regulatory action to protect the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, commencing March 1, 2006, private residential developers of 20 units or more shall be requested to submit the Green Points checklist as part of any application for land use permits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Hayward adopts the Alameda County Waste Management Authority's Multi Family Residential Green Building Guidelines, as they may be amended from time to time, as a City reference document.

IN COUNCIL, HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA, January 24, 2006


ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CITY COUNCIL: Jimenez, Quirk, Halliday, Ward, Dowling, Henson
MAYOR: Cooper

NOES: CITY COUNCIL: None

ABSTAIN: CITY COUNCIL: None

ABSENT: CITY COUNCIL: None

ATTEST: 
City Clerk of the City of Hayward

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney of the City of Hayward