

HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 06-010

Introduced by Council Member Henson

RESOLUTION REGARDING LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY
EFFICIENT DESIGN (LEED) SILVER RATING FOR NEW
MUNICIPAL PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City of Hayward, through the design, construction, operation and deconstruction of its own facilities and facilities in funds, wishes to provide leadership to both the private and public sectors by incorporating green building strategies in City buildings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the design, construction and maintenance of buildings within the City can have a significant impact on the City's environmental sustainability, resource usage and efficiency, waste management and the health and productivity of residents, workers and visitors to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that, based on studies by the Alameda County Waste Management Authority (ACWMA), construction and demolition debris comprise up to 21% of materials disposed in Alameda County landfills; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that green building design, construction, and operation can have a significant positive effect on energy and resource 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 Council finds that green building benefits are spread throughout the systems and features of the building. Green buildings use recycled-content building materials, consume less energy and water, have better indoor air quality, and use much less natural resources than conventional buildings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that green design and construction decisions made by the City in the construction and remodeling of City buildings can result in significant cost savings to the City over the life of the buildings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is critical to both the economic and environmental health of the City that the City provide leadership to both the private and public sectors in the area of green building; and

WHEREAS, the most immediate and meaningful way to do so is to include green building elements in City buildings and to encourage private projects to include green building elements; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations Section 15308, actions by regulatory agencies to protect the environment; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council finds the adoption of this Resolution categorically exempt from CEQA and that all new construction or renovation projects of municipally-owned buildings intended for human occupancy which exceed either twenty thousand square feet or a construction cost of three million dollars and which are initiated after the adoption of this Resolution shall meet a minimum LEED "Silver" standard.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all new construction or renovation projects of municipally-owned buildings intended for human occupancy that do not meet the threshold that triggers compliance with the requirements of this Resolution shall seek to achieve as many LEED credits as practicable.

IN COUNCIL, HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA January 24, 2006

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ATTEST: Angeline Taylor
City Clerk of the City of Hayward

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

M. O. John
City Attorney of the City of Hayward