

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Charlottesville is a signatory to the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement which promotes sustainable building practices and energy efficiency;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council's 2025 Vision Statement and the City's Comprehensive Plan incorporate goals and objectives related to green building practices;

**WHEREAS**, the number green building related efforts to-date support the City's goals and commitment to environmental improvement and sustainability;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville as follows:

- The City of Charlottesville is committed to incorporating green building practices regarding site selection and development, water and energy efficiency, air quality protection, and material selection (with regards to both origin and content).
- That the USGBC LEED standard will be used to guide the design and construction process for all major City owned buildings and renovation projects to ensure that a basic suite of practices are consistently incorporated.
- That an internal cross-departmental team of knowledgeable staff review all major building construction and renovation projects and evaluate whether such projects present the opportunity to pursue LEED or similar third-party certification.
- That City Council is informed on a regular basis of the status of green building efforts, including certification(s).
- That staff continue to monitor industry standards by which green building practices are evaluated in order to ensure that any third-party certification process is appropriate and applicable to municipal projects.

Approved and adopted this 2nd day of September 2008.