CITY OF NOVI  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LEED STANDARDS AS NOVI’S OFFICIAL GREEN BUILDING CRITERIA

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall in said City on September 24, 2007, at 7:00 o’clock P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Landry, Capello, Gatt, Margolis, Mutch, Nagy and Paul
ABSENT: Councilmembers

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember Paul and supported by Councilmember Nagy.

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2007, the City Council adopted goals and strategies for the City of Novi, including the goal that Novi will “Be a community that values natural areas and natural features” with an adopted strategy to “Allow and encourage green building and development”; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2007, the City Council received a report from City Staff regarding “green” construction and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards that were developed by the United States Green Building Council, a non-profit organization, and are being used nationwide; and

WHEREAS, green construction has been viewed as promoting the “Triple Bottom Line” by promoting Economic Prosperity, Social Responsibility, and Environmental Stewardship, and
WHEREAS, green construction can reduce energy consumption by up to 30%, saving building tenants up to fifty cents in operating costs per square foot, per year; and

WHEREAS, all fifty states are home to at least one LEED certified project and fifty-six units of local government have already adopted LEED as their green building standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Novi prides itself on being an environmentally-friendly community, promoting the preservation of wetlands, woodlands, and other natural features; and

WHEREAS, the City of Novi strives to remain on the cusp of new building and planning techniques to make Novi an even more desirable and environmentally-conscious community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Novi City Council hereby resolves:

1. To encourage voluntary participation by private developments in the City of Novi to be energy efficient and environmentally sustainable, through the use of the standards established and published by the United States Green Building Council, and the related standards provided by the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Registered Project Checklist.

2. To further review the City’s ordinances and policies and consider modifications to encourage “green” and environmentally-friendly construction, utilizing the LEED checklist and related standards as a baseline for consideration.

3. To maintain membership in the United States Green Building Council to allow access to the resources and information leveraged by this nationwide organization.
AYES: Councilmembers Landry, Capello, Gatt, Margolis, Mutch, Nagy, Paul

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi at a Regular meeting held this 24th day of September, 2007.

MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK