

On October 9, 2008, the City Council adopted mandatory green building requirements for new residential construction. All new residence applications submitted for Site Development review must incorporate green building measures using either Build It Green's GreenPoint Rated or US Green Building Council's LEED for Homes checklists. The Green Building program is designed to be accessible, flexible and attainable, and encourages voluntary participation for remodels and additions.



**GreenPoint Rated = 50 points
or
LEED for Homes = 45 points**



STEP 1: Site Development Review

Include GreenPoint or LEED for Homes checklist with Site Development application demonstrating that minimum point threshold will be achieved.

STEP 2: Building Plan Review

Include GreenPoint or LEED for Homes checklist completed by qualified green building professional (GreenPoint Rater or LEED AP) with Building Permit application. Construction plans must reflect green building measures.

STEP 3: Final Inspection and Occupancy

Documentation from qualified green building professional (GreenPoint Rater or LEED AP) verifying compliance required prior to final.

INCENTIVES for projects that exceed minimum points

Expedited Permit Processing

GreenPoint >75 points or LEED >60 points (Silver)

Guaranteed Building Inspections

GreenPoint >100 points or LEED >75 points (Gold)

Special Council Recognition

GreenPoint >150 points or LEED >90 points (Platinum)

Additions and Remodels (Voluntary participation in Green Building Program)

Expedited Permit Processing

GPR Elements > 25 points

Guaranteed Building Inspections

GPR Whole House > 50 points



Have Questions?

We're here to help. Please call the Planning Department at (650) 941-7222.

Links:

GreenPoint Rated Guidelines and Checklist: <http://www.builditgreen.org/greenpoint-rated/guidelines>

LEED for Homes Guidelines and Checklist: <http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CMSPageID=147>