RESOLUTION

CASE NO. ZO-0005-2011. ENDORSEMENT OF GREEN BUILDING INCENTIVES

- WHEREAS, the 2009 Comprehensive Plan cites use of green building practices in a development project as an example of public benefit; and
- WHEREAS, the Green Building Design Roundtable Forum, which met from March 2009 to June 2010, compiled a report and set of green building recommendations known as the James City County Green Building Design Roundtable Report ("Report") dated June 2010; and
- WHEREAS, on July 27, 2010, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution that supports implementation of the general recommendations found within the Report; and
- WHEREAS, consideration of a green building policy was part of the Zoning Ordinance update methodology adopted by the Board of Supervisors in May 2010; and
- WHEREAS, at its January 24, 2012, work session, the Board of Supervisors directed staff to set forth incentives to be provided for projects that pursue green building certification; and
- WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors encourages all types of development in James City County to pursue green building practices for new construction and major renovations or expansions.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, does hereby endorse the following green building incentives:

In support of projects considering program certification (at a minimum, "Certified" level or equivalent), James City County commits to the following:

- 1. Technical consultations and assistance, including the following components:
 - a. County-organized workshops and training sessions that will cover green building topics; and
 - b. As-needed opportunities to sit down with knowledgeable County staff to discuss questions about certification standards and processes and to evaluate options.

In support of projects that do make the commitment¹ to achieve green building certification through Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), Earthcraft, or another equivalent certification program, James City County offers the following package of incentives:

¹ Commitment shall entail providing a copy of relevant documents showing that the project has been registered with the certification program, and submission of an initial draft certification checklist indicating the likely items to be pursued.

- 1. To help defray the costs of certification program registration and certification, the County will refund 25 percent of the Planning Division site or subdivision construction plan review fees upon the project achieving certification.
- 2. On-going technical consultations and assistance, including the following components:
 - a. Invitations to no cost or low cost planned County-organized workshops and training sessions that will cover green building topics.
 - b. Opportunities to work with County staff:
 - i. Pre-application meeting to go through the certification program checklist to identify opportunities to coordinate certification points with County requirements.
 - ii. Plan review project participation within Development Management by staff members familiar with green building certification programs. Staff will be available to review and discuss the elements of the project proposed to meet the certification points on an as-needed basis.
- 3. Recognition of the commitment through the following, at a minimum:
 - a. A "Future James City County Green [Business/Institution/Community]" site sign on location during construction.
 - b. Upon certification, a profile on the County website and on TV Channel 48.
 - c. Upon certification, inclusion in the Planning Commission's Annual Report and recognition at a Board of Supervisors meeting.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

VOTES

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board

Robert C. Middaugh

MCGLENNON JONES KENNEDY ICENHOUR

ABSTAIN

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 11th day of September, 2012.

KALE

ZO-05-11GrBldg_res