



# *Town Of Berlin*

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To Whom It May Concern:

*I hereby certify* the following to be a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Berlin Town Council at its duly called meeting on December 4, 2007 at the Berlin Town Hall, Town Council Chambers, 240 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT:

Council Morelli moved the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING  
THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE USE OF "LEEDS"  
BUILDING STANDARDS AND PRACTICES BY PRIVATE DEVELOPERS  
WITHIN THE TOWN OF BERLIN**

**Whereas**, the Town of Berlin is dedicated to the principles of "green building," and would like to encourage the goals of energy efficiency, environmental protection, economic growth, as well as enhance the environmental health and safety of citizens, and their families, and

**Whereas**, the Town of Berlin recognizes that municipal governments should assume a leadership role in promoting the efficient use of energy and natural resources, which is in the best interest of the protection and enhancement of the Town's environment, economy, as well as the health of current and future generations of residents, and

**Whereas**, the US Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Standards (LEEDS) is a voluntary, consensus-based, market-driven rating system for commercial and industrial buildings used to determine what constitutes sustainable building by national standards, and

**Whereas**, "LEEDS" building standards, in addition to adhering to sound principles of "green" building requirements, are also instrumental in reducing the operating costs of building facilities, and

**Whereas**, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Town of Berlin that all private commercial and industrial buildings constructed or expanded (over 25,000 square feet), or renovated (exceeding \$1 million in value) in the future are encouraged to be state-of-the-art modern facilities, combining the most energy-efficient design, the most environmentally sustainable developments possible, and the most environmentally sustainable systems.

**Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved**, it is the policy of the Town of Berlin to encourage the use of "LEEDS" green building standards on all new major municipal facilities, as outlined above, and

**Further Resolved**, the Town would like to encourage private-sector developers to use the "LEEDS" environmentally friendly and sustainable development standards on all new major residential, commercial, and industrial developments in the future, and

**Further Resolved**, a copy of this resolution be distributed to the members of all appropriate municipal boards and commissions for their review and information about this "LEEDS" policy, and

**Further Resolved**, that a copy of this resolution be forward to the CT Construction Industries Association (CCIA) in an effort to distribute this policy to the private development community, and

**Further Resolved**, that copies of "LEEDS" literature be made available to the development community and members of the public in the Public Works, Development Services, Library, and City Clerk Departments, and

**Further Resolved**, that the Town Manager be directed to send copies of this resolution to the CT Council of Small Towns (COST), as well as the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM), to serve as a model for other communities that may wish to publicly endorse and promote "LEEDS" principles and practices.

Seconded by Councilor Watson, III.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 7-0. (MOTION CARRIED)

Dated at Berlin, Connecticut this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007.

  
Kathryn J. Wall, CMC  
Town Clerk