

**TOWN OF FAIRFAX
STAFF REPORT**

TO: Mayor, Members of the Town Council

FROM: Michael Rock, Town Manager 
Jim Moore, Planning and Building Services Director

DATE: February 3, 2010

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution forwarding the Model Green Building Ordinance to the Planning Commission for consideration per the Town Zoning Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution forwarding the Model Green Building Ordinance to the Planning Commission for consideration per the Town Zoning Ordinance.

DISCUSSION

At the January 13, 2010 Town Council meeting, Council heard a presentation on the newly created Model Green Building Ordinance by Bob Brown, a member of the Marin Climate & Energy Partnership (MCEP) – Building Energy Retrofit & Solar Transformation (BERST) Task Force.

After the presentation and subsequent discussion, Council directed staff to prepare a resolution forwarding the Model Green Building Ordinance to the Planning Commission for consideration.

ATTACHMENT:

Resolution forwarding the Model Green Building Ordinance to the Planning Commission

RESOLUTION 10-

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION DIRECTING THE FAIRFAX PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND ACTION ON A MODEL GREEN BUILDING ORDINANCE PROPOSED BY THE MARIN CLIMATE & ENERGY PARTNERSHIP (MCEP) TASK FORCE KNOWN AS MARIN GREEN "BERST" (BUILDING ENERGY RETROFIT & SOLAR TRANSFORMATION) AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that the Town of Fairfax should promote the use of "green" technologies in furtherance of a whole-systems approach to planning, design, construction and operation of buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council seeks to promote the efficiency use of energy thereby reducing the production of green house gases in the atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council seeks to reduce environmental impacts through efficient resource use and sustainably created products; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council seeks to reduce utility, maintenance and infrastructure costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council seeks to reduce water usage; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that green building technologies can offer substantial benefits to property owners, occupants and the entire community;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council directs the Planning Commission to review and recommend action on these matters as set forth in Resolution 10- ____.

The foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax, County of Marin, State of California, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 3rd day of February, 2010 by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Lew Tremaine, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk