



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

COUNCIL POLICY

TITLE: Green Building and Development Policy	NO. PLAN - 35
<u>POLICY:</u> The Township of Esquimalt embraces the principles of sustainable design and development for public and private developments, and encourages the use of green building technologies and practices in developments within Esquimalt.	
<u>OBJECTIVES:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to support Esquimalt’s goals related to: sustainable land use and development practices; protecting and enhancing the health of our natural environment; and enhancing opportunities for pedestrian travel, cycling and public transit;• to demonstrate Esquimalt’s commitment to environmental, economic and social stewardship;• to yield long-term savings to Esquimalt taxpayers through reduced life-cycle costs for municipal buildings, and through reduced public infrastructure costs related to development;• to reduce the amount of waste generated by the construction and operation of buildings, including solid waste, sewage, and greenhouse gas emissions;• to conserve energy, water and other natural resources used in the construction and operation of buildings;• to help minimize environmental degradation (i.e. air, water, soil, habitat);• to support other like-minded municipalities and agencies in encouraging the application of green building practices in private and public sector development; and• to support education increasing awareness of green building issues.	
<u>IMPLEMENTATION GOALS:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop a list of objectives for both residential and large development building projects, which will set goals for both the municipality and development community within Esquimalt to follow for future building in Esquimalt;• As of [date to be determined], require applicants for rezoning and development permits to provide a list of green building features that will be incorporated into the development, e.g. features recognized under the Built Green or LEED rating system (endorsed by the Canada Green Building Council); and• Develop an education component to increase awareness of municipal staff and the construction industry with respect to the benefits of green buildings.	

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