

# Policy Order Resolution

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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- WHEREAS: Protecting the environment from climate disruption for generations to come is of the utmost importance to the future of our country and the world; and
- WHEREAS: The supply of current energy sources, fossil fuels such as gas and oil, is declining rapidly; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has adopted a Climate Protection Plan pledging to reduce greenhouse gasses by twenty percent from 1990 levels by the year 2010, in part by becoming as energy efficient as possible; and
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- WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is dedicating its first energy efficient green building on February 26, 2004 at 344 Broadway (formerly 57 Inman Street), a major step in demonstrating that commercial energy use can be made much more efficient through creative measures that work for the environment and also enhance the workplace for its occupants; and
- WHEREAS: The building's many energy efficient features include an innovative ground source heat pump system in three 1500 foot wells so that all heating and cooling is provided without using a furnace or boiler, "intelligent" lighting that automatically adjusts artificial light output to daylight levels and shuts down when rooms are unoccupied and solar power provision of about 10% of the building's electricity; and
- WHEREAS: This building joins other green buildings recently built in the city such as the Genzyme headquarters which is expected to be rated gold or platinum on the LEED ratings of the US Green Building Council, the Stata center now under construction at MIT, for which a high rating is also expected. And this building, like the Cambridge Savings Bank, which became Energy Star rated, will shine with energy efficient light; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record expressing its congratulations and appreciation to City Manager Robert W. Healy, Deputy City Manager Richard Rossi and Commissioner of Public Works Lisa Peterson and their staff, along with the City's partners in this project, HKT Architects, Consigli Construction, Mass Technology Collaborative and the Cambridge Arts Council's Public Art Program, on the development and construction of this beautifully rehabilitated green building; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That in honor of this new building the City Manager be and hereby is requested, on behalf of the City of Cambridge, to formally ask our university partners to pledge to build all their new buildings as green buildings; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Manager use the resources of all relevant departments to provide information and to encourage all those constructing or reconstructing institutional, commercial or residential buildings in Cambridge to utilize environmentally friendly and energy efficient building options, in particular using the city's departmental network to disseminate information about green building practices; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to invite other builders of green buildings in Cambridge to the opening of 57 Inman St/ 344 Broadway, and further, that the City Council recognize and honor said builders and request the City Clerk to transmit to them a copy of this resolution; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge hereby celebrates being a leader in green building by setting a goal that all new buildings and buildings that face major reconstruction in Cambridge be made green buildings and be built to the highest energy efficient and green building standards possible; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby does declare February 26, 2004 as Green Building Day in Cambridge.