

# City of San Jose - Private Sector Green Building Policy (California)

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<b>Place (/wiki/Property:Place)</b>	California (/wiki/California)
<b>Name (/wiki/Property:Incentive/Name)</b>	City of San Jose - Private Sector Green Building Policy
<b>Incentive Type (/wiki/Property:Incentive/Type)</b>	Building Energy Code (/wiki/Building_Energy_Code)
<b>Applicable Sector (/wiki/Property:Incentive/ApplyDsc)</b>	Commercial, Industrial, Residential
<b>Eligible Technologies (/wiki/Property:Incentive/TechDsc)</b>	Comprehensive Measures/Whole Building (/wiki/Comprehensive_Measures/Whole_Building), Unspecified technologies
<b>Active Incentive (/wiki/Property:Incentive/Active)</b>	Yes
<b>Implementing Sector (/wiki/Property:Incentive/ImplSector)</b>	Local
<b>Energy Category (/wiki/Property:Incentive/EnergyCat)</b>	Energy Efficiency Incentive Programs
<b>Commercial Code (/wiki/Property:Incentive/CommCode)</b>	Tier 1: Must complete a GreenPoint Rated Checklist or LEED Checklist Tier 2: Must be LEED Silver certified

<b>Residential Code</b> (/wiki/Property:Incentive/ResCode)	Tier 1: Must complete a GreenPoint Rated Checklist or LEED Checklist Tier 2: Must be LEED certified or GreenPoint Rated High Rise Residential: Must be LEED certified
<b>Website</b> (/wiki/Property:Website)	<a href="http://www.sanjoseca.gov/esd/greenbuilding/policies.asp">http://www.sanjoseca.gov/esd/greenbuilding/policies.asp</a> ( <a href="http://www.sanjoseca.gov/esd/greenbuilding/policies.asp">http://www.sanjoseca.gov/esd/greenbuilding/policies.asp</a> )
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<b>References</b>	DSIRE <sup>[1]</sup>

## Summary

In October 2008, the City of San Jose enacted the Private Sector Green Building Policy (Policy No. 6-32). The policy was adopted in Ordinance No. 28622 in June, 2009. All new buildings must meet certain green building requirements in order to receive a building permit. Requirements are dependent on the size and type of the project.

- Tier 1 Commercial Projects include commercial industrial projects (non-residential) of less than 25,000 square feet, and less than a height of 75 feet. These projects are required to submit a completed GreenPoint Rated Checklist or LEED Checklist in order to receive a building permit.
- Tier 1 Residential Projects are single family detached residences, small residential projects consisting of 2-9 units, or multi-family buildings with 2-units. These buildings must also be less than 75 feet in height. Tier 1 Residential Projects are required to complete a GreenPoint Rated Checklist or a LEED Checklist.
- Tier 2 Commercial Projects include commercial industrial buildings (non-residential) of more than 25,000 square feet but less than 75 feet in height. These projects must LEED Silver certified.
- Tier 2 Residential Projects are multi-family buildings or multi-building residential projects consisting of 10 or more units. Buildings must be less than 75 feet in height. Tier 2 Residential projects must be LEED Certified or GreenPoint Rated.
- High-Rise Residential Projects are residential projects taller than 75 feet. These projects must be LEED Certified.
- Mix-Use Projects must submit a GreenPoint Rated Checklist or LEED Checklist and receive the minimum LEED certification required by the relevant standard in the Ordinance.

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**Authorities** (Please contact the Web administrator (<mailto:openei.webmaster@nrel.gov>) if there are any file problems.)

<b>Authority 1:</b>	17.84.docx Municipal Code Chapter 17.84 ( <a href="http://www.dsireusa.org/documents/Incentives/Chapter">http://www.dsireusa.org/documents/Incentives/Chapter</a> )
<b>Date Effective</b> (/wiki/Property:Incentive/AuthDtEff)	2009-09-08

<b>Authority 2:</b>	Policy No. 6-32 ( <a href="http://www.sanjoseca.gov/clerk/cp_manual/CPM_6_32.pdf">http://www.sanjoseca.gov/clerk/cp_manual/CPM_6_32.pdf</a> )
<b>Date Effective</b> (/wiki/Property:Incentive/Auth2DtEff)	2008-10-07
<b>Date Enacted</b> (/wiki/Property:Incentive/Auth2DtEnact)	2008-10-07

- Incentive and policy data are reviewed and approved by the N.C. Solar Center's DSIRE project staff.<sup>[1]</sup>

## References

1. "Database of State Incentives for Renewables and Efficiency (DSIRE) (<http://www.dsireusa.org>)"

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