



## CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS STAFF REPORT

**Meeting Date:** August 19, 2008  
**To:** Honorable Mayor & City Council  
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**Subject:** Residential Green Building Program  
**Attachments:** None

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### INTRODUCTION

This report relays the status of the City's Residential Green Program.

### DISCUSSION

In June of this year, the City Council adopted a Green Building Ordinance for multi-family and commercial structures. The ordinance affects projects that are deemed complete after September 5, 2008. During the discussion, the Council directed staff to develop a voluntary green building program for single family residential structures to further encourage sustainable development and environmental building practices in the City.

In keeping with this direction, staff will present the voluntary program concept to the Planning Commission at its September 11, 2008 meeting. A proposal including an enabling resolution incorporating the Planning Commission's comments and suggestions will be brought forward to the City Council for consideration at the September 23, 2008 formal meeting. Any resolution, once adopted, would take effect immediately.

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council receive and file this report.

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George Chavez, City Building Official  
Approved By