

## Local Law Filing

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County  
 City of Erie  
 Town  
 Village

Local Law No. 6 of the year 20 07

A local law entitled The Green Buildings Act which adopts LEED standards for the construction or  
(Insert Title)  
renovation of buildings owned by Erie County.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the  
(Name of Legislative Body)

County  
 City of Erie  
 Town  
 Village as follows:

FINDINGS—The Erie County Legislature finds that:

1. Energy costs for public buildings are skyrocketing and will likely continue to increase.
2. Energy use by public buildings contributes substantially to the problems of pollution and global climate change.
3. Public buildings can be built and renovated using high-performance methods that save energy costs, preserve the environment, and make workers and students safer and more productive.

(B) PURPOSE—This law is enacted to more efficiently spend public funds and protect the health and welfare of Erie County residents.

### SECTION 2. Definitions

DEFINITIONS—In this section:

1. “LEED silver standard” means the United States Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design green building rating standard referred to as silver standard.

(If additional space is needed, attach pages the same size as this sheet, and number each.)

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2. "Major facility project" means:

- a. A building construction project larger than 2,500 gross square feet of occupied or conditioned space; or
- b. A building renovation project when the cost is greater than 50 percent of the assessed value and the project is larger than 2,500 gross square feet of occupied or conditioned space.

3. "Erie County" means every County office, board, commission, committee, bureau, department or public institution of higher education.

**SECTION 3.**

**GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS**

All major facility projects of Erie County shall be designed, constructed and certified to at least the LEED silver standard. This provision applies to major facility projects that have not entered the design phase prior to \_\_\_\_\_, 2007

**SECTION 4.** If any article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence of this local law is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, that portion shall be deemed a separate distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

**SECTION 5.** This local law shall take effect immediately in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

*Law Dept Interpretation  
is Date filed w/  
State (Robin/Conner)*

*I.E. - 8/30/07*

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

**1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)**

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20 \_\_\_\_\_ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the applicable (Name of Legislative Body) provisions of law.

**2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer\*.)**

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ of 20 07 \_\_\_\_\_ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of Erie \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the Erie County Legislature \_\_\_\_\_ on July 26, 20 07 \_\_\_\_\_, and was (approved)(not approved) (Name of Legislative Body) (repassaged after disapproval) by the Erie County Executive \_\_\_\_\_ and was deemed duly adopted (Elective Chief Executive Officer\*) on August 16, 20 07 \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

**3. (Final adoption by referendum.)**

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20 \_\_\_\_\_ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_, and was (approved)(not approved) (Name of Legislative Body) (repassaged after disapproval) by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_. (Elective Chief Executive Officer\*)

Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general) (special)(annual) election held on 20 \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

**4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)**

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\* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

**5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)**

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20 \_\_\_\_\_ of the City of \_\_\_\_\_ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_, became operative.

**6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)**

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20 \_\_\_\_\_ of the County of \_\_\_\_\_ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

**(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)**

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 2 \_\_\_\_\_, above.

Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

Date: 8/28/07

(Seal)

**(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)**

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF Erie

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing local law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.

  
Signature

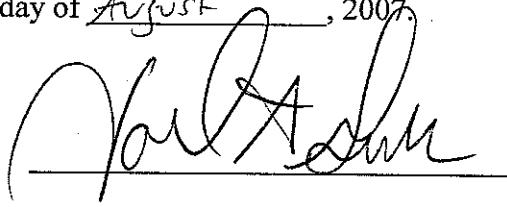
Meredith A. Conner

Title Assistant County Attorney

County  
City of Erie  
Town  
Village

Date: 8/28/07

A Public Hearing was held on the foregoing Local Law Intro. No. 5-2007 on Thursday, August 9, 2007 at 9:45 a.m., due notice thereof having been published in the official newspapers of the County of Erie designated for this purpose, and after due deliberation thereon, I, JOEL A. GIAMBRA, County Executive of Erie County, do hereby APPROVE and SIGN said Local Law this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.



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