

RESOLUTION NO. R2007-032

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY STAFF TO DEVELOP AN ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASING POLICY REGARDING ITS PUBLIC PURCHASING ACTIVITIES TO THE EXTENT IT IS AVAILABLE, TO THE EXTENT IT IS PRACTICABLE, AND TO EXTENT REASONABLY PERMITTED BY THE TEXAS STATE PURCHASING LAWS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Denton, Texas, a municipal corporation and a Home-Rule City is committed to environmental quality; and

WHEREAS, by incorporating environmental considerations into public purchasing, where legally possible, the City can reduce its burden on the local, regional and global environment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Denton wishes to conserve natural resources by purchasing both "recycled content materials" and "environmentally preferable materials," where legally possible; and

WHEREAS, the City of Denton wishes to reduce energy consumptions in facilities located within the City, by both energy-efficient new construction and by the retrofitting of existing facilities with the most energy-efficient materials practicable; and

WHEREAS, all City departments will do their utmost to ensure that preference is given to environmentally preferable products to the extent that they are available, are practicable and are legally authorized; and

WHEREAS, the continued implementation of the use of biodiesel fuel in the City of Denton fleet and the recovery of landfill gas in the biodiesel process are both an added benefit to air quality that Denton is already availing itself of; and

WHEREAS, an environmentally preferable purchasing policy will be developed and the necessary tools shall be formulated and provided to assist staff in identifying environmentally preferable options to existing materials; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is in the public interest of the residents of the City of Denton; NOW THEREFORE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Denton, Texas hereby authorizes the development of an "Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy" for the future public purchasing needs of the City of Denton, to the extent that the same is available, is practicable, and is legally possible.

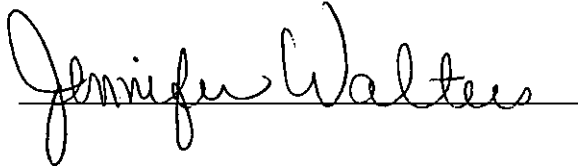
SECTION 2. The City Council may, from time-to-time consider changes to this policy as will be reflected by their future action.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 2nd day of October, 2007.


PERRY R. McNEILL, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:
JENNIFER WALTERS, CITY SECRETARY

By: 

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
EDWIN M. SNYDER, CITY ATTORNEY

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