



## Annapolis Green Building Code Fact Sheet

### Why Are Green Buildings Important?

- ♦ they conserve energy, water, and other natural resources
- ♦ they can lower operating costs
- ♦ they are healthier for occupants

### Buildings That Need To Receive Green Certification: (per City Code 17.14)

- ♦ Residential, non-residential, and commercial buildings that are larger than 7500 square feet
- ♦ Any public building owned or occupied by municipal government
- ♦ Five or more single family or attached homes that resided on one lot or as a subdivision
- ♦ Single family homes that are larger than 3250 square feet of conditioned space

### Levels of Certification:

- ♦ Commercial or mixed use buildings need to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified-level rating OR equivalent energy and environmental design standards
- ♦ Public buildings need to meet LEED silver-level rating OR equivalent energy and environmental design standards
- ♦ Single family homes need to meet LEED certified-level rating, National Green Building Standard (NGBS) bronze-level rating, OR equivalent energy and environmental design standards

### Green Building Applications Must Include:

#### For Site Design Review:

- ♦ Design plans
- ♦ LEED (or equivalent) checklist showing how surrounding landscape will comply with applicable standard
- ♦ LEED (or equivalent) checklist showing LEED points intended for the building inspection
- ♦ Written explanation of how all LEED points are achieved

#### For Building Permit:

- ♦ Design plans indicating all required details for intended points
- ♦ LEED checklist (or equivalent) and any other supporting documentation required

### Final Approval:

- ♦ Before final inspections may be scheduled, documentation must be received and approved to verify compliance with these requirements
- ♦ Documentation requirements are extensive for the points selected therefore the project team is advised to accumulate documentation along the process of construction
- ♦ A final certificate of use and occupancy shall not be issued unless the completion of the green building requirements have been verified
- ♦ Please allow a minimum of one week for review after submission of documentation package before scheduling your final building inspection