# STRENGHTENING CHICAGO'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT POLICY

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**Former Policy** 

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	Financial Assistance		Non-Financial Assistance
	(RFP/Negotiated Sale wfLand Write Down) (Empowerment Zone Grants)	(Industrial Dev. Rev. Bonds) (Enterprise Zone Fac. Bonds)	(Planned Developments)
	(TIF) (DHED Housing Assistance)	(Bank Participation Loans) (Class L) (Class 68)	(Lakefront Protection Ordinance Developments)
Residential			
Market Rate SF, TH, Multi-units (< 4 units)	Building Certification		
4 or more Townhomes (TH)*	100% Green Roof + Building Certification	50% Green Roof + Building Certification	50% Green Roof + Building Certification
4 or more Market Rate Units (including Hotels)	100% Green Roof + Building Certification	50% Green Roof + Building Certification	50% Green Roof + Building Certification
> 20% Affordable Units or CPAN	Building Certification	Building Certification	Building Certification
Institutional			
Hospitalis	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 75% Green Roof + LEED Certification	75% Green Roof +exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification	75% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification
Community Centers, Government Buildings and Schools**	50% Green Roof + LEED Certification	25% Green Roof + LEED Certification	25% Green Roof + LEED Certification
Industrial			
	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or LEED Certification or Exceed Stormwater Ordinance by 2015*** or 50% Green Roof + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or LEED Certification or Exceed Starmarter Ordinance by 20%*** or 50% Green Roof + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or LEED Certification or Exceed Stormarder Ordinancely 20%*** or 50% Green Roof + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs
Communical			
Retail over 10,000 square feet (footprint)	100% Green Roof + LEED Certification or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification or 50% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification or 50% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 + 50% VUA shading in 5 yrs
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Grocery Stores located in Food Deserts (see Note #5)	Exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 + 50% shading after 5 years	Exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004	Exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004
Office	100% Green Roof + LEED Certification	100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004 or 50% Green Roof + LEED Certification	50% Green Roof + LEED Certification
fixiting fluidings**** and Landmark	Buildings		
	Building Certification or LEED-CI Certification or 100% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004	50% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004	50% Green Roof + exceed ASHRAE 90.1-2004

### **Objectives**

# Strategies & Requirements

# Compliance Process

# Tracking & Measurement

- Incorporate emerging technologies into new development
- Lower urban temperatures
- Divert stormwater from combined sewers

- Green Roofs
- LEED certification
- Expanded to higher levels of energy efficiency and stormwater management in 2008
- Written into Plan
   Development (PD) &
   Redevelopment
   Agreements (RDA)
- DPD verifies that LEED projects are registered
- Upon verification, City releases full TIF funding
- Impact measurement through satellite imagery (green roofs)

# **Former Policy Impact/Outcomes**

- Chicago's Sustainable Development Policy requires projects receiving public funding or needing special approvals to incorporate sustainable design elements (requirements vary by project type):
  - Building Certification (LEED, ENERGY STAR, Green Globes)
  - Green Roof (100% or 50% in-conjunction with certification)
  - Exceed Stormwater Ordinance performance requirements

#### **LEED Buildings**:



"Illinois named No. 1 in LEED certification"

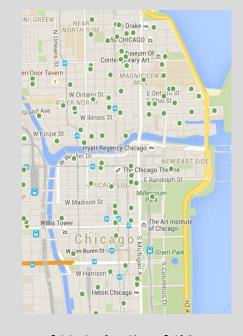


#### Illinois #1 in LEED for Third Consecutive Year

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USGBC announced today that **Illinois ranks #1** in the nation for LEED certified space. That makes it three years in a row **Illinois** has been #1 based on the per capite rankings released every year. Click <a href="here">here</a> to view the press release and the 2015 list of Top 10 States for LEED.

#### **Green Roofs:**

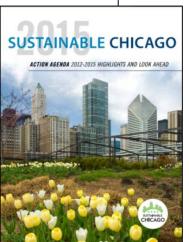


As of 2013, the City of Chicago had 509 vegetated roofs, covering 5.5MM square feet

## **Sustainability Context**

- The Chicago Climate Action Plan established greenhouse gas emission targets
  - 25% GHG reduction by 2020, 80% by 2050
  - Focus on energy, transportation, waste, & adaptation
- The **Sustainable Chicago Action Agenda** prioritized specific activities to drive near-term progress
  - Mutually-reinforcing citywide and cross-sector goals
  - Focus on economy, energy, transportation, waste, water open spaces & healthy food, climate





#### **Recent Efforts (Not Exhaustive)**

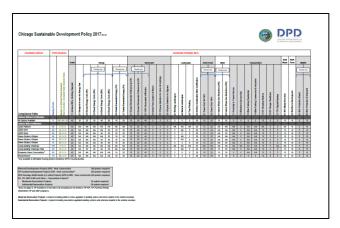


# **Objectives of the Policy Refresh**

- Build a "smarter" policy:
  - Reflect changes in market developments since 2004
  - Incorporate broader environmental context
  - Recognize innovation in sustainable design
  - Increase flexibility in meeting the City's sustainability goals
  - Create environmental, social and economic value in development projects
- Enable impact / outcome tracking







## **Policy Update Process**

• **Feb 2016**: Assembled committee of experts



Andrew Billing (stormwater), Alison Lindburg (energy efficiency), Benjamin Skelton (energy efficiency), Samantha Bingham (alternative transportation), Carl Giometti (bird-friendly design), Ron Daye (landscape), Meg George (PD process), Jade Paul (sustainable landscapes), Jeff Wickenkamp (stormwater), John Mlande (energy efficiency), Judith Pollock (bird-friendly design), Katie Kaluzny (building certification), Laura Demink (ecology), Laura Umek (ecology), Billy McGhee (building certification), Tom Price (sustainable landscapes), Cindy Roubik (historic preservation and design), Noah Szafraniec (PD process), Terry Guen (sustainable landscapes), Karen Weigert (sustainability), Chris Wheat (sustainability), Christopher Dillion (Developer)

- **Feb July 2016**: Met three times as large group then broke up into sub-groups and each group met separately
- July 2016: Held two meetings with developers to review framework
- Oct 2016: Posted draft on October 3 and met with 15 stakeholder groups to obtain feedback
- Dec 2016: Re-assembled committee to discuss feedback and discuss changes
- Dec 2016: Posted new draft based on feedback and provided 2 week public comment period
- Jan 2017: Implemented updated policy

### **Updated Policy**

