

**CITY OF HOPKINS
HENNEPIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE 2025-1224

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART 2, CHAPTER 8 OF THE HOPKINS CITY CODE
TO ESTABLISH A HOPKINS SUSTAINABLE BUILDING POLICY**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOPKINS HEREBY ORDAINS AS
FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. Hopkins City Code, Part II, Chapter 8 is hereby amended to add Article VIII, to read with the double-underlined language after as follows:

Article VIII. - Hopkins Sustainable Building Policy

Sec. 8-321. – Applicability. The Hopkins Sustainable Building Policy applies to a development if it meets the following criteria:

- (a) It is new construction, AND
- (b) It has at least 10,000 square feet of non-residential space and/or has 20 or more residential units, AND
- (c) It meets at least one of the following sub-criteria:
 - i. It is publicly owned, OR
 - ii. It is receiving discretionary land use approvals, including Planned Unit Development, Rezoning, or Comprehensive Plan Amendment, OR
 - iii. It is receiving over \$300,000 in financial assistance from Tax Increment Financing, City land write-downs, the Housing Redevelopment Authority, Local Affordable Housing Aid, grant dollars from other organizations that pass through the City, or property tax abatements.

Sec. 8-322. – Sustainable Building Rating System. All applicable projects must certify the project under the current version of one of the following rating systems and levels:

- (a) LEED Building Design and Construction or LEED Residential BD+C Multifamily Certified Silver, Gold or Platinum
- (b) State of Minnesota B3 Guidelines Certified Compliant
- (c) Enterprise Green Communities Certification or Certification Plus
- (d) Equivalent rating systems with prior staff approval

Sec. 8-323. - Hopkins Universal Requirements. All applicable projects must comply with the following Hopkins Universal Requirements:

- (a) Calculate predicted greenhouse gas emissions and report to City staff
- (b) Evaluate feasibility of sourcing 2% of energy with on-site renewable energy and install if cost-effective by B3 guidance OR evaluate feasibility of installing a cool or green roof through a similarly developed cost effectiveness assessment as used for the B3 renewables guidance.

- (c) For 5-10% of parking spots, install electric vehicle charging equipment or make EV-ready. Exact requirement is based on land use type.
- (d) Evaluate feasibility of activities from the City of Hopkins' low-salt design checklist.

Secs. 8-324 – 8-340 – Reserved.

SECTION 2. The effective date of this ordinance shall be April 24, 2025.

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By: 
Patrick Hanlon, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Domeier, City Clerk