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Center for Green Building Living Greener Proposal

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Agenda

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- **Project Scope**
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Project Team

Partnership between:

- Hopewell Township Environmental Commission (EC)
- The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC)
- The Rutgers Center for Green Building (RCGB)



Project Scope

- Research and suggest green design criteria for incorporation into existing land use ordinances
- Meet and/or exceed green building guidelines and/or best practices
- Draw upon model ordinances and incentives
- Customize a set of green building land use ordinances that can also serve as a model for other New Jersey municipalities

Methods

- Critique through lens of U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) guidelines:
 - Sustainable Sites
 - Water Efficiency
 - Energy & Atmosphere
 - Materials & Resources
 - Indoor Air Quality
 - Innovation & Design
- Conduct comprehensive literature review of model green building ordinances and incentives

Overview of Activities

- Review existing land use ordinances and identify opportunities to:
 - insert green building language
 - add new green standards, and/or
 - omit existing impediments
- Research growing number of green building design standards, ordinances and incentives
- Provide green building resources and educational material for local residents and businesses

Project Work Plan

- Form Working Group (mid-September)
- Report on progress (late-October)
- Help host first Public Meeting (mid-November)
- Conclude research and draft final recommendations (late-December)
- Township works with Planner & Attorney to incorporate suggestions. (mid-January)
- Unveil new green ordinances and disseminate information at second Public Meeting (late-January)

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