

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PROJECT: MODEL ORDINANCES

The model ordinance program provides standardized local laws aimed at developing economically strong and environmentally healthy communities. The following ordinances have been developed through a rigorous vetting process that has included public and private input and a broad survey of best practices from around the country and the world.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT



- **01-01: Parking Maximums**
Managing Stormwater Through Sustainable Parking Lots
- **01-02: Permeable Pavement**
Adapting to Stormwater Management Challenges
- **01-03: Shared Parking**
Working Together for Parking Solutions

The ordinance places a cap on parking lot sizes and provides flexible alternatives, thereby curbing the practice of mandating large parking lots with unneeded spaces.

The ordinance substitutes impervious surfaces with permeable pavement to naturally absorb and filter the water, while providing a durable surface cover.

The ordinance increases the efficiency of parking lots by allowing multiple users to share underutilized parking spaces.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



- **02-01: Sustainable Procurement**
Purchasing for the Future
- **02-02 Public Art Set Aside**
Educating through Art
- **02-03 Food Trucks**
A Desert Oasis

The ordinance considers alternative purchasing methods to positively impact human health and the environment, while being fiscally prudent.

The ordinance seeks to promote art, education, and culture by promoting public art projects.

The ordinance establishes a framework for permitting mobile food trucks and groceries to enhance health and increase pedestrian traffic and entrepreneurship.

WASTE MANAGEMENT



- **03-01: Pay-As-You-Throw**
Saving Money and Reducing Trash
- **03-02: Commercial Recycling**
Incorporating Recycling at Work
- **03-03: Multifamily Residential Recycling**
Ensuring Recycling in Density Housing

The ordinance seeks to reduce residential trash by charging customers by volume of trash in a manner similar to water and/or electricity.

The ordinance requires business and/or property owners to arrange for recycling services, inform their tenants about the services, provide recycling bins, and submit a recycling plan.

The ordinance requires all property owners to arrange for recycling services, provide tenants with information on the services and educational materials, supply recycling bins, and submit a recycling plan.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY



- **04-01: Energy Efficiency Inspections**
Information to Improve Decision-Making
- **04-02: Energy Conservation Compliance**
Promoting Wise Energy Use
- **04-03: Solar Energy Standards**
Clarity and Stability for the Solar Energy Industry

The ordinance requires a periodic energy efficiency audit for certain buildings and disclosure of the audit to potential purchasers and lessees.

The ordinance requires owners of certain buildings that have not met minimum energy efficiency standards to make certain cost-effective energy improvements.

The ordinance puts in place clear regulations for solar energy permitting, siting, safety, zoning, easements, and access, and creates a solar energy "fast-tracking" program.