RESOLUTION NO. 6644

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, ADOPTING THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE GREEN BUILDING POLICY.

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale is an acknowledged environmental leader in Green Building and Sensitive Facilities Design; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale recognizes and accepts its responsibility to implement and promote building practices that protect Scottsdale’s natural and built environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale desires to model environmentally sensitive building design, as developed in the city’s Green Building Program, in its own facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED™) Green Building Rating System and Certification is a nationally recognized standard for excellence in facility design and has multiple levels of certification; and

WHEREAS, the Scottsdale City Council finds that green design and construction decisions made by the city in the construction and remodeling of city buildings can result in significant cost savings to the city over the life of the buildings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. That the Scottsdale City Council hereby adopts the "City of Scottsdale Green Building Policy.” This policy reflects the City’s commitment to encouraging environmentally sensitive construction practices in the City of Scottsdale by adopting construction practices inspired by both the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED™) certification process and the City of Scottsdale Green Building Program.

Section 2. That the Scottsdale City Council hereby declares that all new, occupied (as defined by the City’s building code) city buildings, of any size, will be designed, contracted and built to achieve the LEED™ Gold certification level, and to strive for the highest level of certification (currently Platinum) whenever project resources and conditions permit.

Section 3. That the Scottsdale City Council hereby declares that all future renovations and non occupied (as defined by the City’s building code) city buildings will be designed, contracted and built to include as many principles of
both the LEED™ program and the City's Green Building Program as are feasible.

Section 4. That the Scottsdale City Council, to maintain tight control over the cost of city building projects, qualifies the above Section 2 of this Green Building Policy to require a pay back period of no more than five (5) years for projects designed to the LEED™ Gold Standard. Where the payback is anticipated to be more than five (5) years, City staff is directed to recommend to the City Council which level of LEED™ certification is appropriate for that particular project. If no level of LEED™ certification is feasible, then the project under consideration shall include as many principles of both the LEED™ program and the City's Green Building Program as are feasible.

Section 5. The City Council may grant exceptions to this Policy when it deems appropriate.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona this ____ day of _____, 2005.

ATTEST:  
CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an Arizona Municipal Corporation

By: ____________________________  By: ____________________________
   Carolyn Jagger, City Clerk       Mary Manross, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: ____________________________
   Joseph R. Bertoldo, City Attorney