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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 5386

A RESOLUTION adopting goals for the procurement of recycled products and recyclable products by the City of Bellevue and its contractors; authorizing the City Manager to promulgate policies through administrative orders with regard thereto; and requiring the consideration of recycled products in sending out requests for bids.

WHEREAS, the City has successfully introduced curbside collection of recyclables including yardwaste; and

WHEREAS, recycling by City staff of paper products and aluminum cans through the "in-house recycling program" is hereby affirmed; and

WHEREAS, recycling reduces the loss of virgin materials and the loss of land for landfills, thus helping to preserve the environment; and

WHEREAS, the success of recycling depends on the manufacture or reconstitution of recovered materials into useful products that re-enter the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the availability of markets for recycled products is essential to the success of recycling and is a key element of any comprehensive approach to solid waste management as well as energy and resource conservation; and

WHEREAS, the City can influence private purchases of recycled products by setting an example through its purchases, contracts with consultants and contractors, testing of products and establishment of standards and specifications; and

WHEREAS, recycled products can be competitive with virgin products in price and quality and are becoming more available as more manufacturers and vendors enter the marketplace and the supply of secondary materials increases dramatically; and

WHEREAS, waste reduction by prudent purchasing is another way of achieving a reduction in the waste stream; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE:

Section 1. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate procedures and guidelines by administrative order consistent with this resolution to govern the procurement of products and materials made from recycled or recyclable materials to the maximum extent

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practicable by all City departments, and to encourage waste reduction. Such administrative order shall list products and materials that have significant levels of recovered materials that can and should be readily procurable. Designated products or materials shall qualify as recycled products if they meet minimum content standards as defined by administrative order. As a first step in implementing these policies, designated products or materials shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Paper and paper products
- Letterhead and stationery
- Envelopes
- Paper for convenience copying
- Business cards
- Miscellaneous outside printing:
 - brochures/newsletters
 - computer paper

Other products to be explored should be mulch and topsoil, re-refined antifreeze, oil and lubricants and tires.

Section 2. Recycling Policies, Procedures and Requirements.

A. In procuring designated products and materials, the City shall require recovered material and/or post-consumer material content to be factors in determining the lowest responsible bid in any competitive bidding procurement process initiated pursuant to City ordinance. Guidelines for purchasing materials, supplies and equipment which encourage recycled or recyclable products shall be developed.

B. The City shall promote the use of recycled and recyclable products by publicizing its procurement program and by disseminating information about recycled and recyclable products.

C. The City Manager shall report annually to the City Council on progress in procuring recycled and recyclable products.

D. It is not intended that the City or its contractors procure products that do not perform adequately for their intended end use or products that are not available at a reasonable price within a reasonable period of time.

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PASSED by the City Council this 13th day of May,
1991, and signed in authentication of its passage this 13th day
of May, 1991.

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Terry Lukens
Terry Lukens, Mayor

Attest:

Marie K. O'Connell
Marie K. O'Connell, City Clerk