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Thank you.

Laura di Bonaventura

Greenwich EMAC P&Z subgroup

Memorandum

To: Connecticut Codes & Standards Committee
From: Greenwich Energy Management Advisory Committee, Planning & Zoning subgroup*
Date: 2/22/2022
Subject: Adoption of CT 2022 Building Code & 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)

Please accept our public testimony as follows:

- 1) We support the adoption of the 2021 IECC without amendments that weaken or reduce energy efficiency or slow the adoption of renewable energy systems.
- 2) We support the addition of stretch codes as alternative performance pathways.
- 3) We urge the inclusion of Passive House certification among any alternative pathways as a means of achieving lower operating costs for residents (especially in affordable housing) and energy efficiency, among other benefits.

Background

In 2021, the Town of Greenwich Board of Selectmen established an [Energy Management Advisory Committee \(EMAC\)](#). EMAC's purpose is to advise the Selectmen on ways to improve energy efficiency and expand the use of renewables, in order to save more and pollute less.

EMAC's Planning & Zoning subgroup, working with the Planning & Zoning Commission, is preparing municipal zoning regulations to support the development community in realizing the Town and the State's energy and emissions goals. EMAC's P&Z subgroup is responding to Public Act 21-29 and the Governor's Executive Order 21-3.

CT residents, including Greenwich residents, are already feeling the pain of our changing climate. Help us build a just and prosperous future with strong baseline building and efficiency codes and sufficient stretch options.

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