

**RESOLUTION**  
of the  
**BOROUGH OF NEW PROVIDENCE**  
Resolution No. 2011-141

Council Meeting Date: 05-09-2011

Date Adopted: 05-09-2011

TITLE: RESOLUTION ADOPTING GREEN PURCHASING POLICY FOR THE MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW PROVIDENCE.

Councilperson Cucco submitted the following resolution, which was duly seconded by Councilperson Vyzas.

*Whereas*; the Borough of New Providence is committed to greening their municipal operations through consideration and purchase of equally effective environmentally friendly products, including but not limited to recycled paper and Energy Star rated equipment purchases. When office equipment is retired, our staff will find ways to either recycle it or have it be reused by other parties, and;

*Whereas*, the appropriate and responsible staff who are involved in relevant purchasing practices are trained to always consider greener options. Additionally, staff has been trained to move away from paper reliant communication methods where possible, such as faxes and mailings, and are scanning and emailing documents to various parties and/or posting communication on the Borough of New Providence website instead and,

*Whereas*, the Borough staff has been trained to create portable document formats (PDFs) for electronic distribution without having to print the original document first and then scan it. The software allows staff to handle documentation by reducing and/or eliminating the need to do so using physical copies, and

*Whereas*, the Borough Council has adopted a paperless meeting format, where all council documents are provided to the council members via a secure portal on the web-site for viewing on their computers. This eliminates the need to make hundreds of copies in advance of each council meeting.

*Whereas*, each time the Borough needs to replace a printer, appliance or other electronic device, staff will explore pricing options for energy efficient machines and/or two-sided printing capability, and

*Whereas*, while New Providence municipal operations and policies have always centered on the most environmentally friendly practices, this policy formalizes the procedures.

THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Providence, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, that they do support the Green purchasing policy as described herein and direct that decisions made by professional staff consider the provisions herein.

APPROVED, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May.

RECORD OF VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
CUCCO	X			
GALLUCCIO	X			
GENNARO	X			
LESNEWICH	X			
MUÑOZ	X			
VYZAS	X			
HERN			TO BREAK COUNCIL TIE VOTE	

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Borough Council held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011

Wendi B. Barry, Borough Clerk