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**Shoreline Planning Commission:**  
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**SHORELINE DEEP GREEN INCENTIVE PROGRAM (DGIP)**

Dear Planning Commission Members,

I am writing to express the International Living Future Institute's support for the Shoreline Deep Green Incentive Program.

The Deep Green Incentive Program is an important tool for furthering the City's implementation of advanced sustainability within the built environment to meet city-wide goals and positions Shoreline as an international leader. It also encourages developers who are transforming the City to construct to the built environment's most rigorous performance standard - The Living Building Challenge™. It calls for the creation of building projects at all scales and typologies (new buildings, renovations, landscapes & infrastructure) to operate cleanly, beautifully and efficiently as nature's architecture - projects that generate all of their own energy with renewable resources, that capture and treat all of their water, and operate efficiently with maximum beauty & addressing equity all while meeting important implementation targets outlined in the Climate Action Plan.

The Living Building Challenges currently has over 300 registered project (both commercial and residential), including more than 60 renovations to existing buildings, that have declared their intent to pursue the Living Building Challenge (Living pathway comprised of all 20 Imperatives, or Petal pathway).

The serious problem of climate change demands bold action, and the Deep Green Incentive Program should be available at scale in Shoreline. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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