



Hon. Amanda Burden  
Chairperson  
New York City Planning Commission  
22 Reade Street  
New York, NY 10007

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Dear Chairperson Burden:

I am writing on behalf of the U.S. Green Building Council, New York Chapter to express our support for certain green building-related provisions of Proposed AIA Text Amendments 10.29.07.

Pages 4-5 of those amendments propose adding a new subdivision (h) to Section 23-62 of the Zoning Resolution that would facilitate the use of green roofs, solar energy panels and other sustainable technologies. We believe these changes would be of benefit to the city and promote important green building measures.

Please note that our comments are limited to this one provision of the AIA's proposed amendments, as it effects sustainable design; we express no opinion on any other aspects of AIA's proposal.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or if USGBC New York can be of any assistance in this or future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director