**Energy Efficient Building Benchmarking Ordinance** 

# **Sustainable Energy Advisory Board**

June 14, 2018





# Background

- During Climate Action Plan adoption, Environment Committee and Council requested City staff to bring forth a Commercial Benchmarking Ordinance
- Supporting initiative to Climate Action Plan Strategy 1, Energy and Water Efficient Buildings
- Assembly Bill 802
- Stakeholder Outreach



## What is Building Benchmarking?

- 1. Gather building details and energy data
- 2. Input data into ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager (free web portal)
- 3. Compare performance against historical data and other similar properties





# Benefits of a Local Ordinance

#### **Building Owner**

- Better information about building's operating costs
- Access to actionable information related to energy investment decisions
- Opportunity for building owners to distinguish themselves in the marketplace
- Additional locally-focused benchmarking assistance

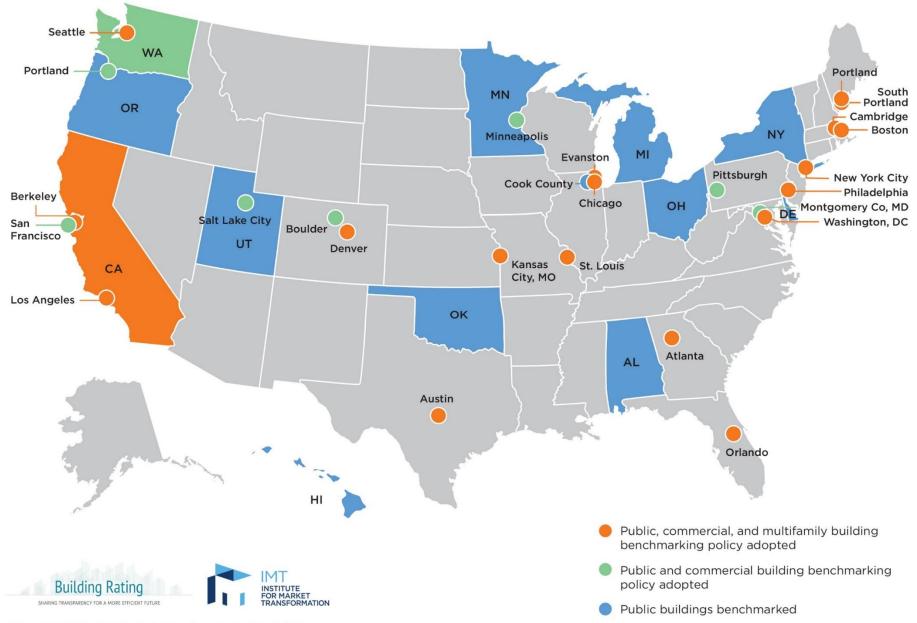
#### City

- Gain a better understanding of their existing building stock
- Identify gaps in energy programs
- Serve as the backbone of a strong energy services market
- Utility and Other Program Implementers
  - Opportunities for increased customer engagement
  - Use benchmarking data to make their efficiency programs more effective
  - Identify new programs



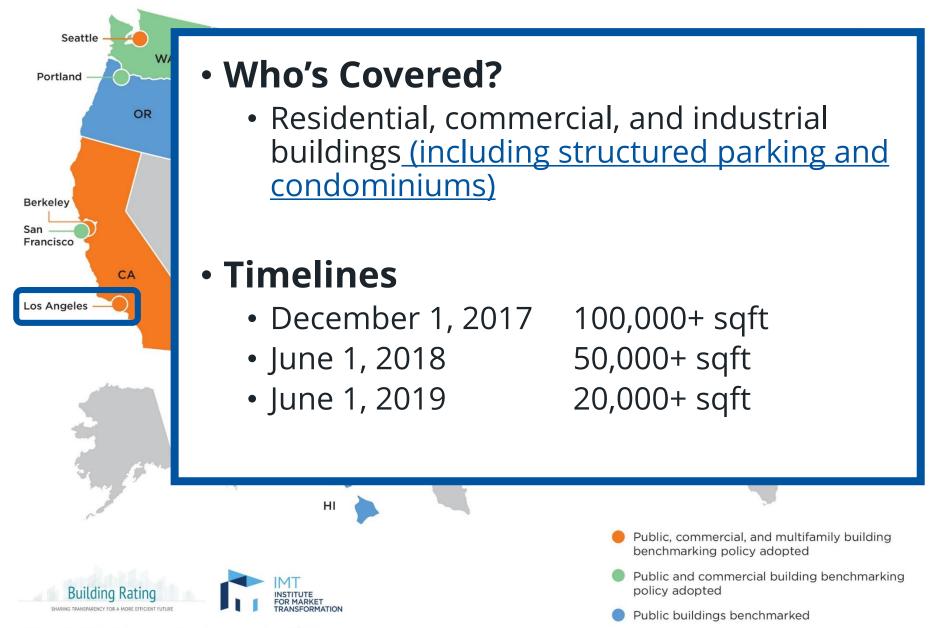
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- Became law in fall 2015
- Requires whole building energy use benchmarking and public disclosure
- First reporting deadline is June 1, 2018
- Utilities provide aggregated whole-building energy use data to building owners upon request (started Jan 1, 2017)
- Building owner does NOT need permission from tenant when there are:
  - 3 or more accounts (all commercial)
  - 5 or more accounts (at least one is residential)



#### U.S. Building Benchmarking and Transparency Policies

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# Proposed Local Ordinance



Applies to buildings 50,000+ sqft (with 17+ utility accounts for residential) to start w/exemptions

Involves annual reporting of energy consumption information

Specifies tracking and reporting data using ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager

Building owners and managers are responsible for reporting

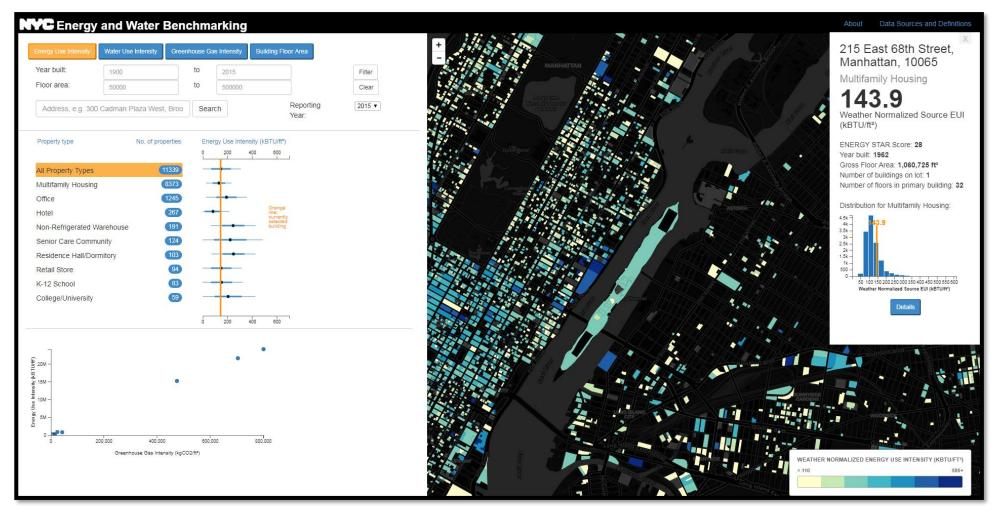


Compliance Process





#### Data Visualization





## Next Steps

- Environment Committee June 21
- City Council (First Read) July 17
- City Council (Second Read) July 30/31



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