

**RESOLUTION OF TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL
TO ENACT LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2017 TO AMEND CHAPTER 345 “ZONING”
OF THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL AND AMENDING
CHAPTER 310 “TAXATION”**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethel (“Town Board”) heretofore adopted a Zoning Code under the authority of the NY Town Law § 261, which Zoning Code appears as Chapter 345 of the Town Code of the Town of Bethel (the “Town Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town Board heretofore adopted a Taxation Code, which Taxation Code appears as Chapter 310 of the Town Code; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the Town to make amendments to Chapter 345 (Zoning) as it relates to regulation of solar energy generating systems; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the Town to make amendments to Chapter 310 (Taxation) as it relates to the taxation of solar energy generating systems; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2016, the Town Board introduced the proposed local law, set a public hearing date and established itself as lead agency for State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) purposes; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed local law was forwarded to the Sullivan County Department of Planning and Environmental Management, along with a full statement of the proposed action, for review and recommendations in accordance with New York State Town Law 239-m; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed local law was forwarded to the Town of Bethel Planning Board for its review and recommendation in accordance with Town Code 48-2.B; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 25, 2017 at 7:45 p.m. at which public comments on the local law were heard; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the public hearing the Town Board allowed for any additional comments to be made in writing by no later than February 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Town received and reviewed all comments that were submitted.

WHEREAS, the Town, acting as lead agency under SEQRA, has declared a negative declaration for the proposed legislation; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby enacts Local Law 1 of 2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of local law as enacted shall be filed with the Department of State; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Local Law 1 of 2017 shall become effective upon filing with the Department of State.

Motion by Town Board member Vicky Simpson, seconded by Town Board member Lillian Hendrickson, and adopted upon a roll call vote as follows:

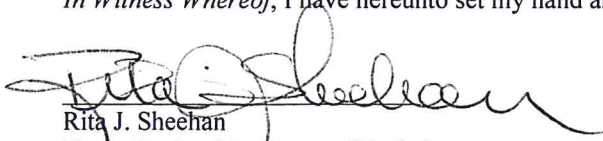
		<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Bernie Cohen	Voting	X	
Lillian Hendrickson	Voting	X	
Dawn Ryder	Voting	X	
Vicky Simpson	Voting	X	
Daniel Sturm	Voting	X	

Duly adopted by 5 ayes, 0 nays the 22nd day of February, 2017.

State of New York
County of Sullivan County
Office of the Clerk of the
Town of Bethel

This is to certify that I, Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel in the said County of Sullivan, have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution to adopt Local Law #1-2017 by the town of Bethel Town Board on February 22, 2017 with the original now on file in this office, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original and the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 6th day of March, 2017.


Rita J. Sheehan
Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel
Sullivan County, New York