

**Town of Putnam Valley Local Law No. 4 of 2024**

**A Local Law Amending the Town of Putnam Valley Zoning Law Relating to Ground Mount Commercial Solar Energy Systems**

BE IT ENACTED, by the Town Board of the Town of Putnam Valley, Putnam County, New York, as follows:

**Part 1. Title**

This Local Law shall be known as the “A Local Law Amending the Town of Putnam Valley Zoning Law Relating to Ground Mount Commercial Solar Energy Systems.”

**Part 2. Enactment**

This Local Law is adopted and enacted pursuant to the authority and power granted by §10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

**Part 3. Amendment of the Zoning Law**

The Town of Putnam Valley Zoning Law is amended as follows:

*Replace*

Section 165-111(D) “Solar Energy Systems”: Commercial solar energy systems. Due to the potential negative impacts to neighborhood character and to other environmental resources from commercial activity related to energy generation, supply and transmission in residential zones, commercial solar energy systems are strictly prohibited in all residential and CD and PD Zoning Districts in the Town. Ground mount commercial solar energy systems shall not be permitted in any zoning district or area of the town with the exception of installations constructed above existing or approved impervious surfaces or remediated contaminated sites as defined by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). A commercial solar energy system shall be permitted only as a special permit use in Commercial Zoning Districts. Commercial Building-Integrated Photovoltaic Systems shall be subject to the following requirements (in addition to the requirements for a special permit application and site plan review).

**Part 4. Severability**

The invalidity of any part or provision (e.g., word, section, clause, paragraph, sentence) of this Local Law shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Law which can be given effect in the absence of the invalid part or provision.

**Part 6. Supersession**

This Local Law is intended to supersede any provisions of the Town Law, the laws of the Town of Putnam Valley, and the New York State General Municipal Law which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Local Law.

**Part 7. Effective Date**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon the filing with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law, and specifically, Article 3, Section 27 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law.

**OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK**

State of New York  
County of Putnam  
Town of Putnam Valley

ss.:xxx-xx-2031

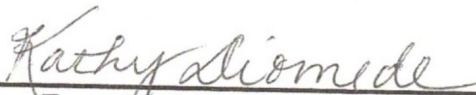
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With the originals filed in this office and **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** the same to be correct transcripts therefrom and of the whole of such originals.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Town this:

10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024

  
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Town Clerk, Town of Putnam Valley

**VOTE ON PROPOSED LAW ON GROUND MOUNT COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS**

Presented by Councilman Russo

**RESOLUTION #R24-264**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2024 ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY ZONING LAW RELATING TO GROUND MOUNT COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS"**

WHEREAS, a local law was introduced to be known as Local Law No. 4 of 2024, entitled "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY ZONING LAW RELATING TO GROUND MOUNT COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS;" and

WHEREAS, a public hearing in relation to said local law was held on June 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was given pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board classified this action as a Type I Action for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and prepared a Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) to review potential environmental impacts of the local law amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, in its role as Lead Agency, determines that the proposed local law amendment will not result in a significant environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, the said local law has been on the desks of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Putnam Valley for at least seven (7) days, exclusive of Sunday.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the local law annexed hereto is hereby enacted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall file a certified original of this local law in the office of the Town Clerk and one (1) certified copy in the Office of the Secretary of State, State of New York, such certified copy to have attached thereto a certificate that it contains the correct text of the enactment of this local law.

Dated: July 10, 2024

Moved: Councilman Russo

Seconded: Councilwoman Howard


Motion passes:

Ayes 4 Nays 0

PRESENT/ABSENT  
PRESENT/ABSENT  
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PRESENT/ABSENT  
PRESENT/ABSENT

Councilwoman Howard  
Councilwoman Tompkins  
Councilman Russo  
Councilman Luongo  
Supervisor Annabi

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KATHY DIOMEDE, TOWN CLERK