

**ORDINANCE ENACTING
CERTAIN CHANGES TO TABLE 17-606
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA:

That Table 17-606 "Land Use and Zoning Table" be and hereby is amended as follows:

Table 17-606 Land Use and Zoning Table

Industrial Uses

ADD (alphabetically)

Solar energy facility, large:

By permitted use with supplemental standards (P*) in the I-1, I-2, PID, PMR, MXU, PCD, R-4, R-5, and S-1 zoning districts

By special use permit with supplemental standards (SU*) in the A-1, A-2, RV, PG, RR-1, B-1 and B-2 zoning districts.

Solar energy facility, small:

By permitted use with supplemental standards (P*) in all zoning districts.

This ordinance shall be effective from the ___ day of _____, 201_.

Adopted the ___ day of _____, 201_.

Aye Nay Abstain Absent

Supervisor Cuevas

Supervisor Eberly

Supervisor Chandler

Supervisor Kyger

Supervisor Breeden

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTESTE:

Clerk

STAFF RECOMMENDATION APPROVAL January 12, 2016

After a request was made by Dominion Power for an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow Solar Energy in the County, a committee was formed that included both Dominion and SVEC as well as JMU, EMU, private citizens and several other companies along with staff to review and draft an ordinance. After meeting and coming up with ideas, a draft ordinance was prepared and has been reviewed by all persons involved with the committee. This is the final draft to come out of that work.

As solar energy becomes more popular, it is the intent of the County to stay in the forefront on this. With the help of the committee to prepare an ordinance that addresses solar energy on both a large scale and small scale, staff is of the opinion that we are prepared for solar energy in Rockingham County.

Staff recommends approval.