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**Zoning Office**

**Solar Energy System Information and Requirements**

Solar Energy Systems are permitted only as an Accessory use in all Zoning Districts.

**A Township Zoning Permit is required for the installation of Solar Energy Systems on all Residential and Commercial Properties.**

**Building Permits and a Certificate of Occupancy are required from an Outside 3<sup>rd</sup> Party for Residential Systems or Labor & Industry for Commercial Systems.**

2.1 B. Definitions

6. Accessory Structure- A use subordinate to the principal use on the same lot and customarily incidental thereto.

162. Solar Access – The capability of receiving direct sunlight between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. (Solar Time) on any area of a lot not within required yard areas.

3.14 Accessory Uses

A. In General - An accessory use on the same lot and customarily incidental to a permitted principal use permitted by right.

B. Yard Requirements - Every accessory use shall comply with the yard regulations for the district in which it is located, except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance.

C. Special Standards - Each accessory use shall comply with all of the following standards listed for the use:

12. Residential Accessory Building, Structure or Use – Permitted residential accessory buildings, structures or uses include:

c. Structure – Structures (such as garages, bathhouses, greenhouses, and storage sheds) shall not exceed fifty (50%) percent of the floor area of the principal building, shall not exceed twenty (20') feet in height, and shall not be located in front of nor within ten (10') feet of the principal building, not within six (6') feet from a side lot line, nor within (5') feet of a rear lot line.

***Note: No Accessory building, structure or use shall be located within any designated drainage and utility easement.***

14. Solar Energy System - No Solar energy system shall deny solar access to adjacent lots.

18. Non-Residential Accessory Building, Structure or Use - Contact Labor and Industry

Submission Requirements:

1. Application for Permit
2. Contractor Listing
3. Site Plan