

CITY OF VINELAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- 71

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1191, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 687, SECTION 687-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED APPLICATION FOR SERVICE; CONTRACTS; SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGE

WHEREAS, the use of solar energy is encouraged in the State of New Jersey and City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City to encourage the use of “green energy” as a means to reduce the carbon footprint; and

WHEREAS, as a result of governmental incentives, many residents of the City have requested the City of Vineland Municipal Electric Utility (VMEU) perform a feasibility study to determine if a homeowner may construct a solar array to service a residential use and interconnect with the VMEU transmission system; and

WHEREAS, there are several factors that need to be investigated to determine if a solar array may be interconnected with the VMEU transmission system including wiring and ability to accept additional energy generated, which is time consuming; and

WHEREAS, in order to cover the cost of the employees of the VMEU performing the feasibility study on behalf of a homeowner for the initial solar request, it is recommended by the Director of the Vineland Municipal Utilities that a fee of \$50.00 be charged for the solar feasibility study for an initial solar request by a residential property owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that Ordinance 1191, Chapter 687, Section 687-1 be amended by the addition of the following:

Section 687-1 E.

E. A residential property owner of the City seeking a feasibility study be performed by the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility to determine the ability to interconnect a solar electric array or panel into the utility transmission as part of the initial solar request shall be assessed a fee of \$50.00 to cover the cost of such study.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any Ordinance or portion thereof inconsistent herewith shall be void to the extent of such inconsistency.

Passed first reading:

Passed final reading:

President of Council

Approved by the Mayor:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk