

# Local Law Filing

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County  City  Town  Village  
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of Northumberland

Local Law No. 5 of the year 2016

A local law continuing a temporary moratorium on the further consideration or approval by the

(Insert Title)

Northumberland Town Planning Board of any proposed construction of large scale Solar

Arrays

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the  
(Name of Legislative Body)

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of Northumberland

as follows:

## Section 1

The Town of Northumberland continues to consider updates to its comprehensive plan together with revisions to its existing Zoning Ordinance regarding siting and installation of large scale Solar Arrays. Among considerations regarding development in the Town are the protection of the community's agricultural character, open space, aesthetic and other resources. If not properly sited and installed large scale solar arrays and associated structures could adversely affect these important resources if they are not properly located and sited in the Town. Accordingly, on April 14, 2016 the Town Board adopted Local Law #1 of 2016 - A Local Law establishing a temporary moratorium on the further consideration or approval by the Northumberland Town Planning Board of any proposed siting or construction of large scale Solar arrays. This moratorium was filed in the Secretary of State's Office and took effect on April 22, 2016. The Town Board has made good progress toward completion of its review and development of appropriate amendments to the comprehensive plan and zoning ordinance, but needs additional time to finalize its proposals and recommendations. Consequently, the Town of Northumberland is in need of an additional extension of the moratorium period in order to allow the Town Board to complete the updates to its Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

## Section 2

There is enacted a continuation of the temporary moratorium (initially adopted as Local Law #1 of 2016) on the further consideration or approval by the Northumberland Town Planning Board of any proposed siting or construction of large scale solar arrays within the Town. This moratorium shall continue for a period of 6 months from the effective

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date of this local law.

**Section 3**

**This Local Law shall take effect immediately.**