

**ORDINANCE NO. 669**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HATFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE,  
CHAPTER 282, RELATIVE TO THE PLACEMENT OF  
GROUND-MOUNTED SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hatfield prescribes rules and regulations relative to ground-mounted solar energy systems in the Zoning Ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the First Class Township Code, the Township Board of Commissioners desires to amend the code relative to the placement of ground-mounted solar energy systems;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners, after due consideration of the proposed ordinance at a duly advertised public hearing, has determined that the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of the Township will be served by the amendment to the Hatfield Township Zoning Ordinance;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it, and it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of Hatfield Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by authority of same as follows:

**SECTION I.**

Sections 282-202 Accessory uses, paragraph C.(2)(a) shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

- (a) Ground-mounted systems shall be set back from property lines a distance equal to the required setback for a principal building or a distance equal to the height of the system, whichever is greater. In all cases, the entire installation must be located behind the rearmost portion of the principal building.

**SECTION II.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such determination shall have no effect on the remaining provisions of this Ordinance or on the provisions of the Hatfield Township Code.

**SECTION III.** All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

**SECTION IV.** This Ordinance shall be effective five (5) days following its legal enactment.

**ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

**ATTEST:**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
HATFIELD TOWNSHIP**

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Aaron Bibro, Secretary

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Thomas C. Zipfel, President