

**TOWN OF SHELBY TOWN BOARD-VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE OF SECOND PUBLIC HEARING**

**REGARDING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2021 TO AMEND THE TOWN
LAW REGULATING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held **virtually** (due to COVID-19 precautions) by the Town of Shelby Town Board on January 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM for the purpose of hearing public comments on a revised version of proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2021 (originally introduced and identified as proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2020) amending certain provisions in the Zoning Local Law of the Town of Shelby that regulate solar energy systems. The information and link to log into the public hearing will be available on the Town of Shelby's website (www.townofshelbyny.org). This proposed local law would amend: Section 787(A) of the Town Zoning Law to add a paragraph stating that the provisions under Section 787 for solar energy systems are intended to protect the Town, its residents, and its environment; Section 787(D) to add a paragraph requiring applicants for utility scale solar energy systems to enter a host community agreement with the Town; Section 787(E)(3) to refer to small ground mounted solar energy systems; Section 787(E) to add paragraphs regarding requirements for decommissioning, site restoration, and financial assurance; Section 787(G)(8) to add language requiring applicants for utility-scale solar energy systems include considerations for their use of local roads; Section 787(G)(14) to add language that utility-scale solar energy systems shall provide adequate visual screening and site security measures; Section 787(G)(17) to clarify the existing provision on bonds or other financial security; and Section 787(H)(5) to add language allowing the Town to draw on a financial assurance instrument if a system is deemed non-operating or abandoned. The Town Board has revised the proposed local law after considering public comments that were submitted, including revised language distinguishing how certain requirements apply between solar projects that are and are not subject to a State siting review under the NYS Public Service Law Article 10 or NYS Executive Law Section 94-c. A complete copy of the proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2021 is available on the Town's website (www.townofshelbyny.org). Anyone wishing to speak on the subject should participate in the public hearing. The Town Board invites written and oral comments on this proposed local law during the public hearing.

The Town Board will also accept written comments on the proposed local law submitted electronically to the Town Clerk at darlenerich@townofshelbyny.org or mailed to the following address: Attn: Town Clerk – Local Law Comments, Shelby Town Hall, 4062 Salt Works Road, Medina, NY 14103. Written comments submitted via email or regular mail must be received by the Town Clerk by 5:00 PM on January 26, 2021.

By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Shelby

Darlene A. Rich, MMC, RMC
Town Clerk