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Introduced by: Legislator John R. Ferretti, Jr.

LOCAL LAW NO. __-2019

A LOCAL LAW TO PROVIDE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Majority Counsel

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WHEREAS, solar energy infrastructure projects and introduction of electric vehicles into County operations have the potential to create both environmental and financial benefits for Nassau County residents; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County does not currently have a long-term plan for the introduction of solar energy installations and the integration of electric vehicles into County operations; and

WHEREAS, infrastructure planning for solar installations and Electric Vehicle Charging stations must be carefully and strategically planned and coordinated among various departments including the Department of Public Works, the Planning Commission, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Shared Services; and

WHEREAS, such projects will require long term planning for inclusion in the Capital Budget and four-year Capital Plan; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows:

Section 1. A new section shall be added to Article XII of the County Government Law of Nassau County as follows:

§1237. Environmental Infrastructure, Planning and Development.

The Commissioner of Public Works shall:

1. Evaluate County-owned properties to determine suitability for solar power and electric vehicle infrastructure projects;
2. Develop and coordinate the strategic planning and development necessary for the construction of solar power and electric vehicle infrastructure projects and for the integration of an electric vehicle fleet into County operations;
3. Collaborate with public utilities and pursue available grant funding or incentives for potential projects identified;
4. Analyze the potential financial costs and benefits for all projects considered by the Department;
5. Provide written status updates to the Nassau County Committee on Planning, Development and the Environment as requested by the Committee; and
6. No later than the fifteenth day of September each year, report to the Legislature potential projects identified pursuant to this section.

§2. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder hereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence,

paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its application to the person or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

§3. SEQRA Determination

It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L., section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the adoption of this local law is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) and (27) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

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