



Legislation Text

File #: 18-1128, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Request approval to participate in the 2019 Solarize NOVA program

EXPLANATION AND SUMMARY :

The Community Enhancement Commission (CEC) brought Solarize NOVA, a solar purchasing program, to residents and businesses of Vienna during the springs of 2015-18. The CEC would like to once again offer Solarize NOVA in spring 2019. Council adopted the original Solarize NOVA resolution on February 23, 2015. Solarize NOVA is an initiative of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) and the nonprofit Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP). Solarize NOVA is a one-stop shop for residents to learn more about solar power options for their homes and businesses and helps facilitate installation and financing of these private projects.

Benefits of program include:

- free solar site assessments
- lower-than-ever solar panel pricing and affordable financing
- qualified local solar installers and high-performance systems
- free home energy inspections - to make your solar power go further
- free installed measures save an average of 759 kWh
- community workshops and support
- a great investment in clean energy

Departmental Recommendation : The Parks and Recreation Director recommends approval to offer the Solarize NOVA program during spring 2019

Finance Recommendation : N/A

Purchasing Recommendation : N/A

Town Attorney Recommendation : Town Council may approve the proposed Solarize NOVA program in its discretion.

Town Manager's Recommendation : I recommend the Town Council approve the Town's participation in the Solarize NOVA program for spring 2019 and authorize staff and the Community Enhancement Commission to move forward with implementation, as presented.

Cost and Financing: N/A

Account Number: N/A

Decision Needed by This date: January 7, 2019

PROPOSED/SUGGESTED MOTION

"I move to approve the Town's participation in the Solarize NOVA program for spring 2019 and authorize staff and the Community Enhancement Commission to move forward with implementation."

Or

Other action deemed necessary by Council.