

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM PERMIT APPLICATION
County of Fayette, 221 South Seventh Street, Vandalia, Illinois 62471
(618) 283-5004 • (618) 283-5000 (Fax)

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Site Address	Date
Property Owner	Project Valuation

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant is: Property Owner Contractor Tenant Other

Applicant's name	Phone Number	State License #
Company Name	Email	
Company Address	City, State, and Zip Code	

WRITTEN PLAN/PLAT

Is the plat/drawing attached to the Permit? Yes No

CLASSIFICATION OF SES

How many Kilowatts will the SES be? _____

DECOMMISSIONING

Is decommissioning a part of the lease agreement? Yes No

APPLICANT: PLEASE READ AND SIGN BELOW

I hereby certify that I have read and examined this document and know the same to be true and correct. I understand and agree that the work for which the permit is issued shall be performed according to the State Building Code and applicable State and Federal approvals, ordinances and codes. I further certify that I am the owner or the owner's authorized agent and that the proposed work is authorized by the owner. I understand that the work shall not begin until permit is issued.

Applicant's Signature	Date
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OFFICE USE

Permit #:	Permit Fee:
Date Authorized	

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COUNTY OF FAYETTE, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2018-06-12-B

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE
2018-05-08-E AUTHORIZING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

ADOPTED BY THE FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF FAYETTE, ILLINOIS
THIS 12th DAY OF JUNE, 2018

PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF
THE COUNTY BOARD OF FAYETTE COUNTY
THIS 12th DAY OF JUNE, 2018

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-05-08-E
AUTHORIZING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, Fayette County, Illinois (the "County"), has heretofore been duly organized and is now operating as a county under the provisions of the Illinois Counties Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto (the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, the Fayette County Board has determined that solar installations should be allowed in unincorporated Fayette County as allowed in 55 ILCS 5/12 and 55 ILCS 5/5-1063; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance will amend the Ordinance 2018-05-08-E; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance does not apply to any portion of Fayette County that is incorporated or under a municipal rule; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance shall only apply to commercial grade solar energy systems and does not apply to single residential homes; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall not be deemed to nullify any provisions of local, state or federal law; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County of Fayette to enact an ordinance to permit Solar Energy Systems,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

"Commercial Grade" shall be defined as a solar system that is harvesting solar energy for the purpose of providing power to two or more homes and does not apply to solar energy systems that are installed for the purpose of powering a single residential home.

SECTION 2. PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AND FEES.

All Commercial Grade Solar Energy Systems (“SES”) will be required to have a Fayette County Permit before any work can be started. This is a one-time permit for each project. It does not need to be renewed. A written plan and a plat/drawing for the proposed Solar Energy System shall be provided with the Permit Application. The plat/drawing must show the location of the system on the building or on the property, (for a ground-mount system show arrangement of panels), with all property lines and set back footages indicated. Fees for processing the applications for permits shall be submitted to and collected by the Fayette County Clerk’s Office as follows:

0-100 Kilowatts (kW)	\$50.00
101-500 Kilowatts (kW)	\$100.00
501-1000 Kilowatts (kW)	\$250.00
1001-2000 Kilowatts (kW)	\$500.00
2001-3000 Kilowatts (kW)	\$750.00
3001-4000 Kilowatts (kW)	\$1000.00
Over 4,001 Kilowatts (kW)	\$1500.00 + \$100.00 for each additional 0-1000 Kilowatts

Any SES where construction has started before a Permit has been applied and paid for will be charged double the permit fee.

SECTION 3. SET BACK REQUIREMENTS.

All solar panels in a Solar Farm shall be not located within fifty (50) feet of a property line or right-of-way.

SECTION 4. DECOMMISSIONING.

1. Decommissioning of solar panels must occur in the event they are not in use for 180 consecutive days.

2. A decommissioning plan is required for all solar energy farms unless the lease agreement between the land owner and the tenant sets forth a decommissioning plan and bond amount.
3. The decommissioning plan shall include provisions for removal of all structures and foundations, restoration of soil and vegetation and a plan ensuring financial resources will be available to fully decommission the site.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. REPEALER.

All ordinances, resolutions, or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

ADOPTED by the County Board of the Fayette County, Illinois on the 12 day of June, 2018, upon ye and nay vote as follows:

BRYCE KISTLER	Yea _____
JAKE HARRIS	Yea _____
JOHN C. DANIELS, JR.	Yea _____
JEFFREY BECKMAN	Yea _____
GLEN W. DANIELS	Yea _____
MARK ISAIAH	Yea _____
DEAN J. BERNHARDT	Yea _____
KEITH COLE	Absent _____
DARRELL SCHAAL	Yea _____
JENNY WAGGONER	Yea _____
GLENN GURTNER	Yea _____

GLEND A J. BARTELS

Yea


WADE WILHOUR

Yea

CHAD AUSTIN

Yea

APPROVED by the Chairman of the Fayette County Board, Illinois on the 12th day of June, 2018.


Jeffery Beckman, Chairperson
Fayette County Board, Illinois

ATTEST:


Vicky L. Conder
Fayette County Clerk

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