

CITY OF VINELAND

RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 142

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF
THE CITY OF VINELAND PLANNING BOARD
RESOLUTION 6382 AS IT RELATES TO AN AMENDMENT
TO CHAPTER 425 ENTITLED "LAND USE" TO ADDRESS
SOLAR AND WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has undertaken a re-examination of the City's Master Plan and related Land Use Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board adopted an Amendment to the Land Use Element of the Master Plan on January 22, 2020, which require certain revisions to the City's Land Use Ordinances in order to make the City's Land Use Ordinance consistent with the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board adopted Resolution 6382 recommending an amendment to Section 425 entitled Land Use of the City of Vineland to address solar and wind energy systems desires by residents and businesses for the production of electricity, heating and hot water other than by means of centrally distributed utilities; and

WHEREAS, after review of Resolution 6382 of the Planning Board, the Director of the Municipal Utilities made certain recommended changes to clarify the language of the proposed Ordinance as specified in Resolution 6382, more particularly at the following Sections:

Section 425-386 B, the Director recommended to insert language to make it clear that all wind energy systems must not only be installed in accordance with applicable regional agency, state and federal laws and rules, but also local laws and rules as the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility is not a public utility and not governed thereby.

Section 425-387 B, the Director recommended to insert language to make it clear that all solar energy systems must not only be installed in accordance with applicable regional agency, state and federal laws and rules, but also local laws and rules as the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility is not a public utility and not governed thereby.

Section 425-387 F is recommended by the Director to be added to make it clear that all solar and wind energy systems must be reviewed and approved by the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility Engineering Department as any such system will have an impact on the distribution of energy within the City.

WHEREAS, City Council has considered the recommendations of the Director of the Vineland Municipal Utilities and concurs with the changes as recommended.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Council of the City of Vineland that the recommended changes to Resolution 6382 of the Planning Board recommending amendments to Section 425 entitled Land Use of the City of Vineland to address solar and wind energy systems as specified by the Director and contained herein are hereby approved.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk