

**Proposed Amendments to the Franklin Site Plan Regulations; Public Hearing on May 26, 2021**  
**The amendments relate to the Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments and are also subject to a**  
**Public Hearing on May 26, 2021.**

Add the following to the Site Plan Regulations [new Section 402-7, Solar Systems] and reference the Site Plan regs in the Special Use Permit section of the Zoning Ordinance.

- A. For all solar projects which, per Section 305-29.2 of the Zoning Ordinance, trigger the submission of a Site Plan and/or Special Use Permit, the application package shall contain or address the items outlined below:
  1. A comprehensive plan that details, but is not limited to, all solar arrays, equipment, interconnection equipment, landscaping, and any other information required by the Planning Board.
  2. A narrative document which details the specifics of the project [size, number of panels, approach to the design features, stormwater management, etc.].
  3. The Site Plan Requirements and Design Specifications can be used as a general guideline for the preparation of the plan.
  4. Special attention should be paid to the plans and details for the interconnection equipment situated between the solar arrays and the utility grid.
  5. The plan shall show access to the site to be used in the event of a fire or other emergency response situation. This access way shall be discussed and coordinated with the Franklin Fire Department.
  6. The applicant shall contain a comprehensive contact information sheet, with the names, and contact information [email addresses, cell or land line numbers, and mailing addresses] for all owners, engineers, architects, or any other representatives. This contact information sheet will, in some abbreviated format, also be posted on the fencing or gates at the site so that contact can be readily made in the case of any emergency.
  7. Fencing shall be installed, if required, by the electric code or the utility. Additional security or fencing may be required if the location of the system presents a safety concern for abutting land uses.
  8. The application shall prepare an As-built plan, at the same scale as the approved plan cited in any Notice of decision, showing all elements and components of the construction facility.
  9. For any building permit applied for following the issuance of a Notice of Decision, the permit application package shall contain details and specifications for all components or equipment that relate to compliance with all fire, life, and electrical codes. Such information can be supplied via manufacturer's specifications or through detailed description.
  10. As referenced in Section 305-29.2.G.6 of the Zoning Ordinance, a copy of the NHDES Alteration of Terrain [AoT] permit shall be provided to the Planning Board for systems that are required to secure such a permit. For projects which do not trigger an AoT permit process, the applicant shall adhere to the Stormwater Management sections of the Site Plan regulations.
  11. All construction work performed in accordance with any approval of a Site Plan or Special Use Permit shall be conducted in accordance with Best Management Practices for erosion and sedimentation control during the pre-construction, construction and post-construction restoration period. Plantings utilized shall be native species which provide beneficial habitat for song birds, pollinators and/or foraging species.