



City of Keene, N.H.
Transmittal Form

February 28, 2019

TO: Mayor and Keene City Council
FROM: Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee
ITEM: K.2.

SUBJECT: Relating to Property Tax Exemptions for Solar, Wind & Wood Heating Energy Systems

COUNCIL ACTION:

In City Council March 7, 2019.

Report filed as informational. Voted unanimously for the rescission of Resolution R-2017-18, and the adoption of Resolution R-2019-05

RECOMMENDATION:

On 4-0 vote, the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee recommends the rescission of Resolution R-2017 and the adoption of Resolution R-2019-05

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Resolution R-2017-18_Rescinded

Resolution R-2019-05 Adopted

BACKGROUND:

Mr. Langille addressed the Committee and stated this Resolution was before the Committee recently. He noted the City currently has a solar, wind and wood exemption for the City. This proposed Resolution removes the cap of \$30,000 the City currently has and to completely exempt those systems. Mr. Langille went on to say there is current legislation in place which is looking at the definition for this exemption. Staff is working with the New Hampshire Municipal Association to make sure it meets the criteria the City is looking at.

This Resolution takes effect as of April 1, 2019.

Councilor Clark made the following motion which was seconded by Councilor Chadbourne.

On 4-0 vote, the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee recommends the rescission of Resolution R-2017 and the adoption of Resolution R-2019-05

Patricia C. [Signature]
City Clerk



CITY OF KEENE

R-2017-18

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and 2017

A RESOLUTION RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR SOLAR, WIND
POWERED & WOOD HEATING ENERGY SYSTEMS

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keene, as follows:

Whereas, in 1975 the legislature enacted RSA 72:62, an Exemption for Solar Energy Systems, and RSA 72:66, an Exemption for Wind Powered Energy Systems, and RSA 72:70, an Exemption for Wood heating Energy Systems and

Whereas, the City of Keene is a active participant and leader in the "Cities for Climate Protection" and

Whereas, the Council of the City of Keene wishes to modify the Exemption for Solar Energy, Wind Powered Energy and Wood-heating Energy Systems in recognition of energy conservation.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Keene that Resolution R-2007-11 adopted March 15, 2007, is rescinded.

And Be It Further Resolved by the Council of the City of Keene that it hereby wishes to comply with the modifications as set out in RSA 72:27-a, by responding in the affirmative to the following:

"Shall the Council of the City of Keene adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy system in an amount equal to the assessed value of the solar energy systems, up to 30,000 in value."

"Shall the Council of the City of Keene adopt the provisions of RSA 72:66 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a wind powered energy system in an amount equal to the cost, including installation, of the wind powered energy systems, up to 10,000 in value."

"Shall the Council of the City of Keene adopt the provisions of RSA 72:70 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a wood heating energy system in an amount equal to the cost, including installation, of the wood heating energy systems, up to 10,000 in value."

[Signature]
Kendall W. Lane, Mayor

May 4, 2017

A true copy;
Attest:

[Signature]

City Clerk



CITY OF KEENE

R-2019-05

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and

RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

A RESOLUTIONFOR SOLAR, WIND-POWERED & WOOD-HEATING ENERGY SYSTEMS.....

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keene, as follows:

Whereas, in 1975 the legislature enacted RSA 72:62, an Exemption for Solar Energy Systems, and RSA 72:66, an Exemption for Wind Powered Energy Systems, and RSA 72:70, an Exemption for Wood heating Energy Systems, as amended from time to time; and

Whereas, the City of Keene is an active participant and leader in the “Cities for Climate Protection Program;” and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Keene wishes to modify the Exemption for Solar Energy, Wind Powered Energy and Wood-heating Energy Systems in recognition of energy conservation;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keene that Resolution R-2017-18 adopted May 4, 2017, is hereby rescinded through the adoption of this Resolution.

And Be It Further Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keene that, in accordance with the requirements of RSA 72:27-a, the following exemptions are hereby adopted:

“The provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy system in an amount equal to the assessed value of the solar energy system.”

“The provisions of RSA 72:66 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a wind powered energy system in an amount equal to the assessed value of the wind powered energy system.”

“The provisions of RSA 72:70 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a wood heating energy system in an amount equal to the cost, including installation, of the wood heating energy systems, up to \$10,000.00 in value.”

This Resolution shall be effective as of April 1, 2019.

In City Council February 21, 2019.
Referred to the Finance, Organization
and Personnel Committee.

Deputy City Clerk

Kendall W. Lane, Mayor

A true copy, Attest:

City Clerk

PASSED March 7, 2019