

**CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE  
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-2019**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE  
ESTABLISHING AN ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has been engaged in a process to establish a competitive market place through deregulation and restructuring the electric utility market; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a government aggregator and an energy aggregation program to purchase electric generation service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 14:4-6.1 et seq. will increase competition for the provision of electric power to residential and non-residential users, thereby increasing the likelihood of lower electric rates for these users without causing any interruption in service; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lambertville is interested in ensuring that a greater percentage of energy provided by the Program comes from renewable energy sources, and will therefore include provisions for the inclusion of renewable energy in the proposals for energy aggregation services; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchase of renewable energy will reduce the dependence on fossil fuels and under the aggregation process the residential and non-residential ratepayers will likely receive a direct reduction in their electric bills; and

**WHEREAS**, the realization of energy cost savings is in the interests of the health, safety and welfare of the residents and non-residents of the City of Lambertville, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lambertville hereby finds that it is in the best interests of residential and non-residential ratepayers for the City of Lambertville to create the opportunity for them to enter into an aggregation agreement in order to seek substantial savings on electric rates.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey, duly assembled in public session, as follows:

1. The City publicly declares its intent to become an aggregator of electric power on behalf of its residential users of electricity pursuant to the Government Energy Act of 2003, **N.J.S.A.** 48:3-91.3 to -98, and implementing regulations.
2. The City will utilize approved vendors, Commercial Utility Consultants, Inc. and its subcontractor Concord Engineering Group dba Concord Energy Services pursuant to the NJ E-PROCUREMENT Pilot program (P.L. 2001, c.30) under the NJ Department of Community Affairs. The Reverse Energy auction will seek bids from licensed and appropriate third party suppliers. If such winning bid is selected and agreement executed, individual residential consumers would retain the option not to participate and to choose any alternatives they desire.
3. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents necessary to carry out the purpose of the Ordinance.
4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
5. If any portion of this ordinance shall be deemed invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall survive in full force and effect.
6. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with law.

### **NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey held in the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center located at 25 South Union Street on Thursday, August 22, 2019 and the same came up for final passage at the Regular Voting Session of the City of Lambertville's Governing held on September 19, 2019, at which time, after persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance, the same was passed and will be in full force in the City of Lambertville according to law.

Date Introduced: August 22, 2019  
Date Advertised: August 26, 2019, Times  
Date Adopted: September 19, 2019

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Cynthia L. Ege, City Clerk