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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MARTIN J. WALSH

April 9, 2018

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Chapter VI, Section 6-9.5(G), the Solar Renewable Energy Certificates Revolving Fund.

The amendments are necessary because the City desires to include in the fund revenues from the sale of alternative energy certificates and demand response program revenues produced by combined heat and power units located at Boston Public Schools sites, in addition to solar renewable energy certificates already produced by the City's photovoltaic arrays. This will allow the Environment Department to take advantage of alternative energy certificate revenue and demand response program revenue produced by Boston Public Schools' combined heat and power units, instead of limiting revenues to the sale of solar renewable energy certificates produced by the City's photovoltaic arrays.

The revenues from the Fund will be used to: (i) purchase offsets of greenhouse gas emissions which shall be associated with a portion of the electricity consumed by the City annually; (ii) monitor, operate, and maintain existing solar arrays belonging to the City and the Boston Public School Department, and (iii) monitor, operate, and maintain Boston Public Schools' combined heat and power facilities.

I respectfully urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Walsh
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF BOSTON CODE, CHAPTER VI, SECTION 6-9.5(G), THE SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES REVOLVING FUND.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. City of Boston Code, Chapter VI, is hereby amended by deleting the title of subsection G of section 6-9.5, and inserting in place thereof the following title:-

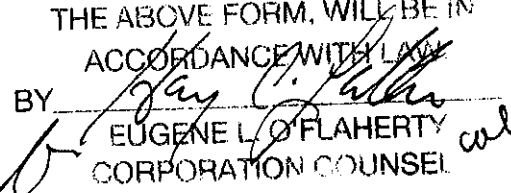
G. Distributed Energy Resource Revenue Revolving Fund.

SECTION 2. City of Boston Code, Chapter VI, is hereby further amended by deleting in subsections 6-9.5(G)(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) the words “Solar Renewable Energy Certificates Revolving Fund” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Distributed Energy Resource Revenue Revolving Fund.

SECTION 3. City of Boston Code, Chapter VI, is hereby further amended by deleting in subsection 6-9.5(G)(ii) the words “the sale of solar renewable energy certificates produced by the City’s solar photovoltaic arrays” and inserting in place the following words:- (i) the sale of solar renewable energy certificates produced by City photovoltaic arrays, (ii) the sale of alternative energy certificates produced by School Department combined heat and power units, and (iii) demand response program revenues earned by School Department combined heat and power units.

SECTION 4. City of Boston Code, Chapter VI, is hereby further amended by deleting in subsection 6-9.5(G)(iii) the words “facilitate the purchase of offsets of greenhouse gas emissions which shall be associated with a portion of the electricity consumed by the City annually, as well as to operate and maintain the City’s existing solar facilities, and to expand the City’s solar generating capacity” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (i) purchase offsets of greenhouse gas emissions which shall be associated with a portion of the electricity consumed by the City annually; (ii) monitor, operate, and maintain existing City and School department photovoltaic arrays, and (iii) monitor, operate, and maintain School Department combined heat and power units.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT
THE FOREGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW
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