

**Burnt Store Isles Association, Inc.**

**No.: 001-2022**

**Policy/Procedure**

**Title:** Solar Energy Panels

**Purpose:** To clarify that BSIA fully supports and complies with Florida Statute 163.04 regarding the use of renewable energy resources. BSIA may determine the specific location where solar panels may be installed on the property provided such determination does not impair the effective operation of the solar panels.

**Policy/Procedure:** Per BSI Deed Restrictions, Section 4, Approval of Plans, a homeowner wishing to install solar panels must submit an Architectural Change Form, obtain design and cost proposal from a licensed contractor and seek approval from BSIA before starting work.

- Contractor or homeowner obtains necessary permits from the city of Punta Gorda.
- Homeowner or contractor submits the Architectural Change Form, along with the design proposal and permits or permit numbers to BSIA Standards.
- BSIA Standards Committee reviews request for:
- Design sketch showing south facing placement or within 45 degrees east or west of due south, providing this does not impair the effective operation of the solar collectors.
- Panels/collectors not visible from the front of the home unless required for effective operation of the solar collectors. All effort should be made to minimize the number of panels visible from the front of the home.
- Permits
- Overall aesthetics
- Proposal is reviewed and approved, or if not approved, the Standards Committee works with the homeowner and/or contractor to find suitable, efficient panel placement that meets community aesthetic standards.

This policy was approved by the BSIA Board on May 9, 2022 and is effective immediately.