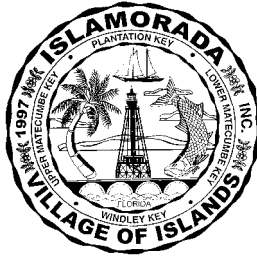


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## **Islamorada, Village of Islands**

### **Building Permit Fees Waived for Installation of Solar and Photovoltaic Systems**

At its meeting of December 18, 2008, the Islamorada Village Council voted unanimously to eliminate Building permit fees associated with the installation of solar and photovoltaic systems. The waiver of fees is intended to provide an incentive for Islamorada property owners to invest in alternative energy sources.

Islamorada Building Official Gerry Albertson recently completed the solar panel installation course offered by the Florida Keys Community College and introduced the resolution to the Village Council. Albertson said, "We are fortunate to have an abundance of solar power available. I have become acutely aware of the tremendous potential of our environment to provide this alternative energy source."

Mayor Cathi Hill added, "Islamorada continues to lead Monroe County in environmental sustainability through policy innovations."

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Islamorada Building Official Gerry Albertson at 305-664-6430.

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