

Section 20.4 Essential Services

Essential services as defined in this Ordinance shall be permitted as authorized and regulated by law and other ordinances of the Township, it being the intention hereof to generally exempt such essential services from the application of this Ordinance. This essential services exception shall not apply to buildings, communication towers, wind energy systems, public utility storage yards, substations and similar above-ground structures and uses associated with such essential services, and shall be subject to all requirements of this Ordinance including minimum lot area and setbacks. The site plan approving body may require fencing, landscaping and/or other measures to minimize negative impacts of such facilities on surrounding uses as part of required site plan review proceedings. All such facilities shall be maintained in a neat condition and free of litter.