



BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Agenda Request Form (ARF)

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Department: Public Services - Planning Division
Requested Agenda Date: JAN 20 2026
Presenting: Tommy C.

Board of County Commissioners Record Assigned

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028-2026

Action Requested – Check Applicable Box:

☒ PASS RESOLUTION

☐ PASS ORDINANCE

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☐ EXECUTE or AMEND

AGREEMENT, CONTRACT, or GRANT

☐ OTHER _____

Document Title:

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING THE DATE FOR AN OPEN RECORD PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED SOLAR POWER PRODUCTION FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO YCC TITLE 19 – UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

Background Information:

Yakima County Planning Commission (PC) has made their findings and recommendations regarding the proposed text amendments to YCC Title 19 related to Solar Power Production Facilities. The PC has recommended approval of the draft language and has submitted them to the Board of Yakima County Commissioners for their consideration. This resolution sets the date for the required public hearing before the Board.

Describe Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Summary & Recommendation:

The approval of this resolution sets the date and time for a hearing before the Board to take testimony on the Planning Commissions proposed changes to YCC Title 19 related to Solar Power Production Facilities.

Department Head/Elected Official Signature

Corporate Counsel Initial (for Agreements Only)

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WHEREAS, in compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), Chapter 36.70A RCW, the Board of Yakima County Commissioners (Board) adopted the Yakima County Comprehensive Plan – *Horizon 2040*, on June 27, 2017, and adopted the development regulations – Yakima County Code (YCC) Title 19, on May 5, 2015; **and**,

WHEREAS, as part of its comprehensive plan and development regulation update process, the County has established a public participation program, YCC 16B.10, which sets forth minimum requirements for ensuring adequate public notification and opportunities for comment and participation in the amendment process; **and**,

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2022, the Board adopted Resolution No. 200-2022 declaring a zoning moratorium on moderate to large-scale solar facilities within the unincorporated areas of Yakima County because the County presently lacks specific development standards regulating the establishment and operation of moderate to large-scale solar facilities; **and**,

WHEREAS, at the direction of the Board of Yakima County Commissioners the Yakima County Public Services – Planning Division developed proposed new development regulations to YCC Title 19 – Unified Land Development Code to regulate moderate to large-scale solar facilities within the unincorporated areas of Yakima County; **and**,

WHEREAS, the Yakima County Planning Commission held work sessions on November 8, 2023, January 10, 2024, February 28, 2024, May 8, 2024, August 14, 2024, February 12, 2025, March 12, 2025, and April 9, 2025, to consider the proposed text amendments (LRN2023-00001/SEP2023-00003 Solar Power Production Facilities) to YCC Title 19 – Unified Land Development Code; **and**,

WHEREAS, the Yakima County Planning Commission held an open record public hearing on September 17, 2025, to consider the proposed development code text amendments regarding moderate to large-scale solar facilities (LRN2023-00001/SEP2023-00003) and has rendered its recommendation to this Board in a document entitled “Findings of Fact and Recommendation”; **and**,

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to hold a public hearing on the proposals prior to making decisions on whether to approve, amend, or deny them; **now, therefore**,

BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Yakima County Commissioners that **Tuesday, February, 10, 2026, at 10:00 AM**, or as soon thereafter as possible, be, on the attached legal notice for the purpose of considering the proposed solar related text amendments; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to post and publish notices as prescribed by Yakima County Code.

DONE JAN 20 2026

Attest:

Julie Lawrence, Clerk of the Board *or*
Erin Franklin, Deputy Clerk of the Board

LaDon Linde, Chair

Amanda McKinney, Commissioner

Kyle Curtis, Commissioner
*Constituting the Board of County Commissioners
for Yakima County, Washington*

**Board of Yakima County Commissioners
Notice of Public Hearing**

Development Code Text Amendments – Solar Power Production Facilities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Resolution 28-2026 the Board of Yakima County Commissioners will conduct an open record public hearing on **TUESDAY, February 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter, to consider text amendments to the Unified Land Development Code Title 19 (file numbers LRN2023-00001/SEP2023-00003 (Solar Power Production Facilities). The proposed amendments and SEPA documents can be found online at <https://www.yakimacounty.us/2572/Text-Amendments>. Contact the Long Range Planning Division at 509-574-2300 or longrangeplanning@co.yakima.wa.us for more information.

The public hearing will be conducted in person and virtually using the Zoom conferencing platform. The location of the in person public hearing is the BOCC Basement Conference Room, Room 33B, 128 N. 2nd Street, Yakima, WA. Persons interested in attending the hearing virtually can join the meeting via the Zoom link and/or telephone number below:

Participants, please join the meeting via the Zoom link or telephone number below. Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/94084501212?pwd=Q1VNdGVFcmlJaTW9ORzREUUtWWt2Zz09>

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PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Your views on the proposals are encouraged. You may provide written comments up to the hearing and oral comments at the public hearing. In addition, all written comments received prior to the hearings will be considered. You may send written comments via email to: julie.lawrence@co.yakima.wa.us; via fax to: 574-1501; or via mail to: Board of County Commissioners, Yakima County Courthouse, 128 North Second Street, Yakima, WA 98901. Be sure to reference the file numbers of the proposed amendment in your correspondence.

The Yakima County Courthouse Basement, Room 33B, Conference Room 2 is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate the needs of special classes of citizens, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving advance notice. This public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. To submit comments, request the documents in an alternate format, or arrange accommodations with at least one-week notice, please contact Julie Lawrence, Clerk of the Board at (509) 574-1500 or the ADA Coordinator at Yakima County no later than five (5) working days prior to the date service is needed.

Yakima County ADA Coordinator
128 N. 2nd Street, Room B27
Yakima, WA 98901
(509) 574-2210

7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384 (Washington Relay Services for deaf and hard of hearing)

Dated: January 20, 2026

Publish: January 22, 2026

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