

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Yakima County Commissioners' Office, Room 232

Prepared by:
Tommy Carroll - Planning Official

Department: Public Services - Planning
Requested Agenda Date: 07/25/2023
Presenting: Tommy Carroll

Board of County Commissioners Record Assigned

18 5 - 2023

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:
 Consent Regular
Board of County Commissioners Determined

Document Title:

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE FINDINGS OF FACT SUPPORTING THE EXTENSION OF A MORATORIUM PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF MODERATE TO LARGE SCALE SOLAR

Action Requested: *Check Applicable Box*

PASS RESOLUTION EXECUTE or AMEND **AGREEMENT** CONTRACT or GRANT
 ISSUE PROCLAMATION PASS ORDINANCE OTHER _____

Describe Fiscal Impact:

None

Background Information:

Need to schedule a public hearing for August 15, 2023 for the Board to adopt findings in support extending the 6-month moratorium on submitting applications for moderate to large-scale solar facilities.

Summary & Recommendation:

Recommend adoption of this Resolution to set a hearing for August 15, 2023 to take testimony and adopt findings in support of a 6-month moratorium on moderate to large-scale solar facilities.

Motion:

Department Head/ Elected Official



Signature


AGREEMENT Attached Is Approved as to Form
Corporate Counsel Initial _____

Late Agenda Requests Require BOCC Chairman Signature:

BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION NO.

185-2023

WHEREAS, 36.70.795 and 36.70A.390 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) grants the authority to the Board of Yakima County Commissioners (Board) to establish a moratorium, interim zoning map, interim zoning ordinance or interim official controls without holding a public hearing provided a public hearing on said moratorium, interim zoning map, interim zoning ordinance or interim official controls is held within sixty days of adoption; **and**,

WHEREAS, 36.70.795 and 36.70A.390 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) also states that a moratorium, interim zoning map, interim zoning ordinance, or interim official control may be renewed for one or more six-month periods if a subsequent public hearing is held and findings of fact are made prior to each renewal; **now therefore**,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on August 15, 2023 at 10:00 AM or as soon as possible thereafter, to take evidence and public testimony on the Findings of Fact and extension of the six-month zoning moratorium of moderate to large-scale solar facilities within the unincorporated areas of Yakima County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to post, publish, and distribute notices of the hearing as prescribed by YCC 16B.10 and as otherwise appropriate.

Done JUL 25 2023

LaDon Linde, Chair

Attest:

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

Kyle Curtis, Commissioner

Amanda McKinney, Commissioner
*Constituting the Board of County Commissioners
for Yakima County, Washington*

BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Yakima County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 10:00 am**, or as soon thereafter as possible, to receive public comments on the extension of a 6-month moratorium (Resolution No. 200-2022) prohibiting the establishment of moderate to large-scale solar facilities to provide the County sufficient time to study appropriate regulations for the establishment of moderate to large-scale solar facilities and to develop a work plan for the implementation of such regulations. Public comments on the extension of the moratorium will be considered at the hearing as indicated below:

The hearing will be held in the Yakima County Courthouse Basement Conference Room 33B, 128 North 2nd Street, Yakima, Washington. The public may participate in-person or virtually via Zoom:

Meeting Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/94084501212?pwd=Q1VNdGVVcmJaTW9ORzREUUtIWWt2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 940 8450 1212. **Meeting Passcode:** 874864.

Meeting Phone Number: 1-206-337-9723 (ID & Passcode Above).

You may provide verbal comments at the public hearing. In addition, all mailed comments received prior to the hearing will be considered. You may send written comments to: Board of Yakima County Commissioners, Yakima County Courthouse, Room 232, 128 North Second Street, Yakima, WA 98901 or to the Yakima County Planning Division, Fourth Floor Courthouse, 128 North Second Street, Yakima, WA 98901. Be sure to reference the Solar Moratorium or Resolution No. 200-2022 in your correspondence. Copies of the moratorium are available upon request. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and participate. Further information on the moratorium can be obtained in Public Services Department - Planning Division at the address listed above.

Dated this 25th day of July, 2023

The Yakima County Courthouse Basement Conference Room 33B 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)

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Bill: Acct# 10826 Planning