CASE#2024-008 RESOLUTION NUMBER



GRANTING A SITING APPROVAL PERMIT FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3500 – 3600 BLOCK OF SHALER ROAD, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62707 SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the Zoning Board of Appeals has presented to the Sangamon County Board, Sangamon County, Illinois, its Recommendation that the Sangamon County Board grant a Siting Approval Permit to the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance with respect to the following described property, to-wit:

See Exhibit A

WHEREAS, the Petitioner, RPIL Solar 11, LLC, has petitioned the Sangamon County Board requesting pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held at the Sangamon County Building on March 21, 2024 after proper notice was posted on said property and given by news publication, as is required by said Ordinance, and all procedural and jurisdictional requirements of the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance have been met; and,

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals has presented to the Sangamon County Board of Sangamon County its Recommendation that the Sangamon County Board grant a Siting Approval Permit; and,

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Board does hereby adopt the recommendation of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Sangamon County, Illinois, in session assembled this 8th Day of April, 2024 that the following request on the above described property is hereby approved:

| | • Pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting |
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| | Approval Permit. |
| | Signed and passed by the Sangamon County Board in session on this 8th day of April, |
| 2024. | |
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| | COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN |
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Exhibit A

The South One-Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Sangamon County, Illinois, except the West 660 feet thereof; further except all coal underlying said land, together with the right to mine and remove same.

Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois.

PIN# 14-12.0-251-003

RECAP

(For County Board Use)

COUNTY BOARD MEMBER:

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NAME:

Paul Truax

DOCKET NUMBER: 2024-008

ADDRESS: 3500 - 3600 Block of Shaler Road, Springfield, IL 62707

PETITIONER: RPIL Solar 11, LLC

PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: "A" Agricultural District.

REQUESTED ZONING CLASSIFICATION: Pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit.

AREA: 60

60 acres

COMMENTS:

Yes

OBJECTORS:

None

PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval. Staff reviewed the materials submitted by the applicant and determined that the proposal complies with Sangamon County's Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit regulations.

SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Staff Recommendation.

SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

| |) | Springfield, IL 62707 |
|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| |) | 3500 - 3600 Block of Shaler Road |
| |) | PROPERTY LOCATED AT: |
| RPIL Solar 11, LLC |) | |
| IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: $)$ |) | DOCKET NO: 2024-008 |

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

THIS MATTER, Coming on for a hearing before the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals of Sangamon County, Illinois, and it appearing to said Board that a petition for a **Siting Approval Permit** of the Zoning Regulations of said County has been filed herein by the above captioned petitioner(s); that legal publication has been made pursuant to law; and that a public hearing was held on **March 21, 2024** pursuant to law; and that said Board took testimony of witnesses, examined the evidence, and otherwise being fully advised in the premises, therefore finds as follows:

- 1. That said Board has jurisdiction to consider the petition filed herein.
- 2. That the above-captioned petitioner(s) is the owner(s) and/or has a beneficial interest in, contract to purchase, or is the County Board Member representing the property commonly known as: 3500 3600 Block of Shaler Road, Springfield, IL 62707 and more particularly described as:

See Exhibit A

- 3. That the present zoning of said property is "A" Agricultural District.
- 4. That the present land use of said property is **cropland**.
- 5. That the proposed land use of said property is **Commercial Solar Energy Facility and cropland.**
- 6. That the request(s) for the subject property is pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit.
- 7. The evidence adduced at the hearing **does** support the proposition that the adoption of the proposed **Siting Approval Permit** is in the public interest and is not solely in the interest of the petitioner(s).

IT IS, THEREFORE, the recommendation of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals to the County Board of Sangamon County that the following request(s) is hereby approved:

• Pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit.

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MINUTES OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There was a motion by Zoning Board Member, **Richard Thompson**, which was duly seconded by **Anthony Mares**, to concur with the recommendation of the Regional Planning Commission and recommend to the County Board that the following request(s) is hereby approved:

• Pursuant to Chapter 17.37, a Commercial Solar Energy Conversion Facility Siting Approval Permit.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

| YES: | Richard Thon | ipson, Anthon | y Mares, Dor | ı Wulf. | George | Petrilli. | Phil Sidles |
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PRESENT:

ABSENT: Charlie Chimento