

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-05

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON THE APPROVAL OF NEW SOLAR FARMS TO EXPIRE FEBRUARY 1, 2025 IN FAYETTE COUNTY, INDIANA AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

WHEREAS I.C. 36-7-4 ET SEQ. EMPOWERS THE FAYETTE COUNTY AREA PLAN COMMISSION TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, INDIANA CONCERNING ORDINANCES FOR THE ZONING OR DISTRICTING OF ALL LANDS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, INDIANA.

WHEREAS at the Tuesday, June 20, 2023 the Fayette County Indiana Board of Commissioners requested that the Fayette County Indiana Area Plan Commission consider holding a public hearing for a "12 month moratorium on the approval of new solar farm projects for the purposes of ensuring public health, safety and general welfare."

WHEREAS at the Thursday, June 22, 2023 Fayette County Indiana Area Plan Commission meeting the area plan commission voted to hold a special meeting on Monday, July 17, 2023 to hold a hearing on a "12 month moratorium on the approval of new solar farm projects for the purposes of ensuring public health, safety and general welfare" at 6:00 PM at Robert E. Wise Center located at Connersville Sr. High School, 1100 Spartan Drive Connersville, Indiana.

WHEREAS on Monday, July 17 the Fayette County Area Plan Commission conducted a public hearing regarding a "*moratorium on the approval of new solar farm projects until February 1, 2025* for the purposes of ensuring public health, safety and general welfare" the Fayette County, Indiana Area Plan Commission forwarded and certified a such proposal to the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County Indiana with a favorable recommendation.

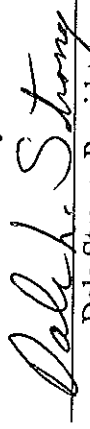
NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS.

The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County Indiana adopted a *moratorium on the approval of new solar farm projects until February 1, 2025* within the unincorporated areas of Fayette County, Indiana.

The ordinance shall be effective within the unincorporated areas of Fayette County, Indiana as provided in I.C. 36-7-4.

PASSED ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, INDIANA THIS 18TH DAY OF JULY, 2023

Board of Commissioners Fayette County, Indiana


Dale Strong, President


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