

July 27, 2018

Arnold Jablon, Director Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspections (PAI) C/O Carl Richards, Zoning Supervisor Baltimore County Zoning Review Office 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Room 111 Towson, Maryland 21204

Re

Zoning Spirit and Intent (S and I) Letter Philadelphia Road Solar Array 11956 Philadelphia Road Zoning Case 2018-0095-SPHXA 11th Election District, 6th Councilmanic District Job No. 17031

Dear Mr. Jablon:

Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc. (DMW) represents the lessee of the referenced property, and we are responsible for the development processing, engineering, and planning of their commercial solar facility project. The facility has been recently approved via Special Exception Case Number 2018-0095-SPHXA. No appeal to the Zoning Order was filed.

After Special Exception approval and during final design, our team realized that we must erect three (3) electric utility poles that were not shown on the Plan to Accompany the Special Exception Petition. The proposed poles are clearly within the approved Special Exception Area. In addition, the solar array is being modified as part as final design and all panels are located with the Special Exception Area as well. All modifications, we feel, are immaterial and are within the scope of the Special Exception approval.

Please confirm by countersigning this letter that the addition of the 3 utility poles and modification to the solar array, all within the approved Special Exception area, are with the scope and/or spirit and intent of the approved Special Exception. With this letter, we are enclosing the red-line Special Exception plan, the Zoning Order of the referenced Special Exception, and a check for payment of the letter processing fee.

Please contact us at your earliest convenience if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc.

Mitchell J. Kellman

Vice President/Director of Zoning Services

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W. Carl Richards, Zoning Supervisor Agreed and Confirmed Date

8/13/18

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, *
SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE

BEFORE THE

(11956 Philadelphia Road)

OFFICE OF

11th Election District

6th Council District

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Legal Owner

Turning Point Energy, LLC

Lessee *

Case No. 2018-0095-SPHXA

Petitioners

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OPINION AND ORDER

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The subject property adjoins Interstate 95 to the north and Philadelphia Road (Md. Route 7) to the south. The site is approximately 23.55 acres in size and is zoned RC-5. The property is improved with a single-family dwelling and agricultural outbuildings (which constitute a "farm" under the B.C.Z.R.), which will remain on site. Petitioners propose to operate a solar facility on approximately 16 acres of the site, which is bisected by high-voltage power lines owned by Baltimore Gas & Electric (BGE).

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Under Maryland law, a special exception use enjoys a presumption that it is in the interest of the general welfare, and therefore, valid. *Schultz v. Pritts*, 291 Md. 1 (1981). The *Schultz* standard was revisited in *Attar v. DMS Tollgate*, *LLC*, 451 Md. 272, (2017), where the court of appeals discussed the nature of the evidentiary presumption in special exception cases. The court again emphasized a special exception is properly denied only when there are facts and circumstances showing that the adverse impacts of the use at the particular location in question would be above and beyond those inherently associated with the special exception use.

Mr. Kellman testified Petitioners satisfy the requirements of B.C.Z.R. §502.1, and he believes this is an "ideal location" for the facility. He noted the site is adjacent to I-95 and a BGE electric substation, and he believed the landscaping proposed would screen the solar facility from view of motorists and/or pedestrians. This appears to be the first hearing seeking approval for a solar facility in the 6th Council district, and Mr. Kellman confirmed the property is not subject to an agricultural or preservation easement. He also advised none of the roadways adjoining the site

are designated as scenic. Based on this testimony and the exhibits presented, and in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, the petition for special exception will be granted.

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The petition for special hearing primarily concerns whether the 50 ft. "tract boundary" setback requirement found in B.C.Z.R. §4E-104 applies to an internal lot line at the site. As Mr. Kellman explained, the subject property is bisected by a strip of land owned in fee simple by BGE, on which are located high-voltage power lines and support structures. BGE will grant to Petitioners an easement so they may travel across this strip while constructing and/or operating the solar facility. In these circumstances, the bisecting strip/road does not create separate parcels for development and zoning purposes. *Freeland Comm. Ass'n v. HZ Props., LLC*, Ct. Special Appeals (9/16/2016, unreported). As such, the internal property lines created by the BGE strip are not considered "tract boundaries," and a variance is not required to locate the solar panels 20 feet from these lines.

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Administrative Law Judge

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ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING





PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING(S)

To be filed with the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

To the Office of Administrative Law of Baltimore County for the property located at:

Address 11956 Philadelphia Road, Kingsville, MD 21087 which is presently zoned RC-5

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2 a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of	f Baltimore County to use the herein described property for
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Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning re gula I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above petition(s), advertising, posting, e and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Legal Owner(s) Affirmation: I / we do so solemnly declare and affirm, und which is the subject of this / these Petition(s).	tc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations Baltimore County.
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:	Legal Owners (Petitioners):
Turning Point Energy LLC	11956 Philadelphia Road LLC
Name - Type or Print	Name #1 – Type of Print Name #2 – Type or Print
Signature	Signature #1 Signature # 2
747 S Corona Street, Suite 100, Denver, CO	12140 Pulaski Highway, Baltimore, MD
Mailing Address City State 80209/ 785-393-6505/ mgreczyn@altisenergy.com	Mailing Address City State 21085
Zip Code Telephone # Email Address	Zip Code Telephone # Email Address
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Jennifer R. Busse, Esquire	Howard L. Alderman, Jr., Esq. / Jennifer R. Busse, Esq.
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Attachment to Zoning Petitions

11956 Philadelphia Road

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And any other relief as deemed necessary.

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Legal Description
Lands of 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC
Special Exception, Variance and Special Hearing Area
Tax Map 64 Parcel 205
Deed Book 33390 Folio 1

Real property in Baltimore County, State of Maryland, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing for this description at a found Iron Axle on the easterly line of this parcel and the line now or formerly of Stephen W. Huber, Sr.,et.al., said Iron Axle being N 22°15′01″W 41.00′ from the center of Philadelphia Road as originally paved with concrete fifteen feet in width, thence S 22°15′01″E 11.91′ to a point on the northerly right of way line of Philadelphia Road and the point of beginning for this description. Thence from said point of beginning and with the northerly right of way line of Philadelphia Road the following five (5) courses;

- 1) S 68°09'34"W 99.97' to a point; 2)S 68°10'28"W 112.10' to a point;
- 3) \$ 70°31′31″W 55.82′ to a point; 4)\$ 73°50′05″W 56.27′ to a point;
- 5) S 76°53'01"W 46.99' to a point;

Thence leaving said right of way line and across the lands of 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC (Parcel 205), 6) N 10°54′03″W 111.55′ to a point; thence 7) N07°30′07″W 130.26′ to a point; thence 8) N 00°00'00"E 157.88' to a point; thence 9) N64°14'18"W 70.43' to a point: thence 10) N 44°49'39"W 49.38' to a point; thence 11) S75°18'46"W 590.89' to a point; thence 12) N39°14'43"W 156.88' to a point; thence 13) N00°00'00"E 133.06' to a point on the line of this parcel and the southerly line of the lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. as described in deed book 5449 folio 239; thence with the aforesaid lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. and this parcel 14) S75°18'46"W 92.55' to a point; thence crossing the aforesaid lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric 15) N49°43'41"W 109.92' to a point on the northerly line of the aforesaid lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. and the south west corner of the northerly portion of this parcel (parcel 205); thence with the westerly line of this parcel and the easterly line of other lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. 16) N39°14'43"W 324.48' to a point; thence leaving the lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. and across the lands of 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC (parcel 205) 17) N61°58'07"E 314.86' to a point; thence 18) N 76°36'11"E 330.44' to a point; thence 19) N52°21'11"E 129.38' to a point; thence 20) S75°44'30"E 132.61' to a point; thence 21) \$33°36'43"E 231.86' to a point; thence 22) \$40°14'34"E 64.38' to a point; thence 23) S67°44′09"E 65.39' to a point; thence crossing the aforesaid lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. 24) S64°41′23″E 186.57′ to a point on the southerly line of the aforesaid lands of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.; thence 25) S51°10′00″E 62.18′ to point, said point being the Northwest corner of the lands of Stephen W. Huber, et.al., as described in deed book 12205 folio 435; thence with the lands of Stephen W. Huber, et.al. 26) S22°20'52"E 353.44' to a found iron pipe and the Northwest corner of the lands of Stephen W. Huber, Sr., et.al., as described in deed book 25952 folio 680; thence with the lands of Stephen W. Huber, Sr., et.al. 27) S22°15′01″E and crossing over the aforesaid found iron axle 324.39' to the Point of Beginning.

Containing within these metes and bounds 18.46 acres more or less. Saving and excepting herefrom 1.96 acres, being the Lands now or formerly of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. The net acreage to be included in the Special Exception request is 16.50 acres more or less.



501 N. Calvert St., P.O. Box 1377 Baltimore, Maryland 21278-0001 tel: 410/332-6000 800/829-8000

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement of Order No 5313811

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11th Election District - 6th Councilmanic District

Legal Owner(s) 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC

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ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY
NOTES: (1) Hearings are Handicapped Accessible; for special accommodations Please Contact the Administrative Hearings Office at (410) 887-3868.

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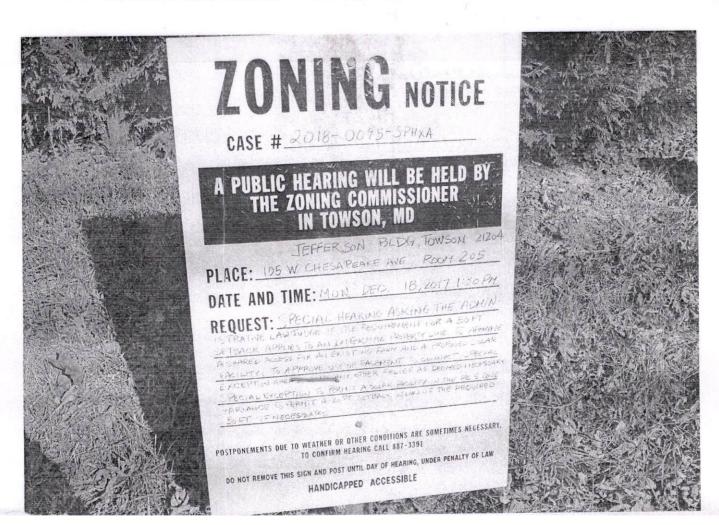
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Petitioner/Developer: 11956 Philodelphie Id LLC

Date of Hearing/Closing: 12-18-17 1:30 PM

This is to certify under the penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted conspicuously on the property located at 11956 Pheladelphiald

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KEVIN KAMENETZ
County Executive
October 30, 2017

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NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE AT 410-887-3868.
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Tuesday, November 28, 2017 Issue - Jeffersonian

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& TPE Maryland Solar Land Holdings, LLC

Petitioner(s) *

BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINSTRATIVE

HEARINGS FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

2018-095-SPHXA

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to Baltimore County Charter § 524.1, please enter the appearance of People's Counsel* for Baltimore County as an interested party in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and the passage of any preliminary or final Order. All parties should copy People's Counsel on all correspondence sent and all documentation filed in the case.

Peter Max Zummerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

CAROLE S. DEMILIO
Deputy People's Counse

Deputy People's Counsel Jefferson Building, Room 204 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of October, 2017, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Howard Alderman, Esquire, 502 Washington Avenue, 8th Floor, Towson, Maryland 21204 and Jennifer Busse, Esquire, 1 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 300, Towson, Maryland 21204, Attorneys for Petitioner(s).

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS ZONING REVIEW OFFICE

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

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Zoning Review will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the legal owner/petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. The newspaper will bill the person listed below for the advertising. This advertising is due upon receipt and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

ARNOLD JABLON Deputy Administrative Officer Director, Department of Permits, Approvals & Inspections

December 14, 2017

11956 Philadelphia Road LLC 12140 Pulaski Highway Baltimore MD 21085

RE: Case Number: 2018-0095-SPHXA, Address: 11956 Philadelphia Road

To Whom It May Concern:

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing ONLY by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspection (PAI) on September 27, 2017. This letter is not an approval, but only a NOTIFICATION.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from several approval agencies, has reviewed the plans that were submitted with your petition. All comments submitted thus far from the members of the ZAC are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to ensure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. All comments will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency.

Very truly yours,

W. Carl Richards, Jr.

Supervisor, Zoning Review

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Enclosures

People's Counsel c: Turning Point Energy LLC, 747 S Corona Street, Suite 100, Denver CO 80209 Jennifer R Busse, Esquire, 1 W Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 300, Towson MD 21204 Howard L Alderman, Esquire, 502 Washington Avenue, 8th Floor, Towson MD 21204

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS



TO:

Hon. Lawrence M. Stahl; Managing Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

FROM:

Jeff Livingston, Department of Environmental Protection and

Sustainability (EPS) - Development Coordination

DATE:

October 20, 2017

SUBJECT: DEPS Comment for Zoning Item

Address

2018-0095-SPHXA

11956 Philadelphia Road

(11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC

Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of October 16, 2017.

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Pete K. Rahn Secretary

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Gregory Slater
Administrator

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Date: 10/10/17

Ms. Kristen Lewis Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals & Inspections County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Ms. Lewis:

We have reviewed the site plan to accompany petition for variance on the subject of the Case number referenced below, which was received on 10/10/17. A field inspection and internal review reveals that an entrance onto 10/10/17 consistent with current State Highway Administration guidelines is not required. Therefore, SHA has no objection to approval for

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Should you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact Richard Zeller at 410-229-2332 or 1-866-998-0367 (in Maryland only) X 2332 or by email at (rzeller@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

Wendy Wolcott, P.L.A.

Metropolitan District Engineer

Maryland Department of Transportation

State Highway Administration

District 4 - Baltimore and Harford Counties

WW/RAZ

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Arnold Jablon

Deputy Administrative Officer and

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FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Case Number: 18-095

INFORMATION:

Property Address: 11956 Philadelphia Road

Petitioner: 11956 Philadelphia Road LLC

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RC 5

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A site visit was conducted on October 12, 2017.

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For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Kaylee Justice at 410-887-3480.

Prepared by:

Lloyd T. Moxley

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c: Kaylee Justice Howard L. Alderman, Jr., Esquire Office of the Administrative Hearings People's Counsel for Baltimore County **Division Chief:**

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Reviewer:

Regina Esslinger

Date: October 19, 2017



INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: November 1, 2017

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Vishnu Desai, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For October 30, 2017

Item No. 2018-0095-SPHXA (Revised Site Plan)

The Bureau of Development Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning Items and we have the following comments.

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DATE: October 13, 2017

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Reviewer:

Regina Esslinger

Date: October 19, 2017

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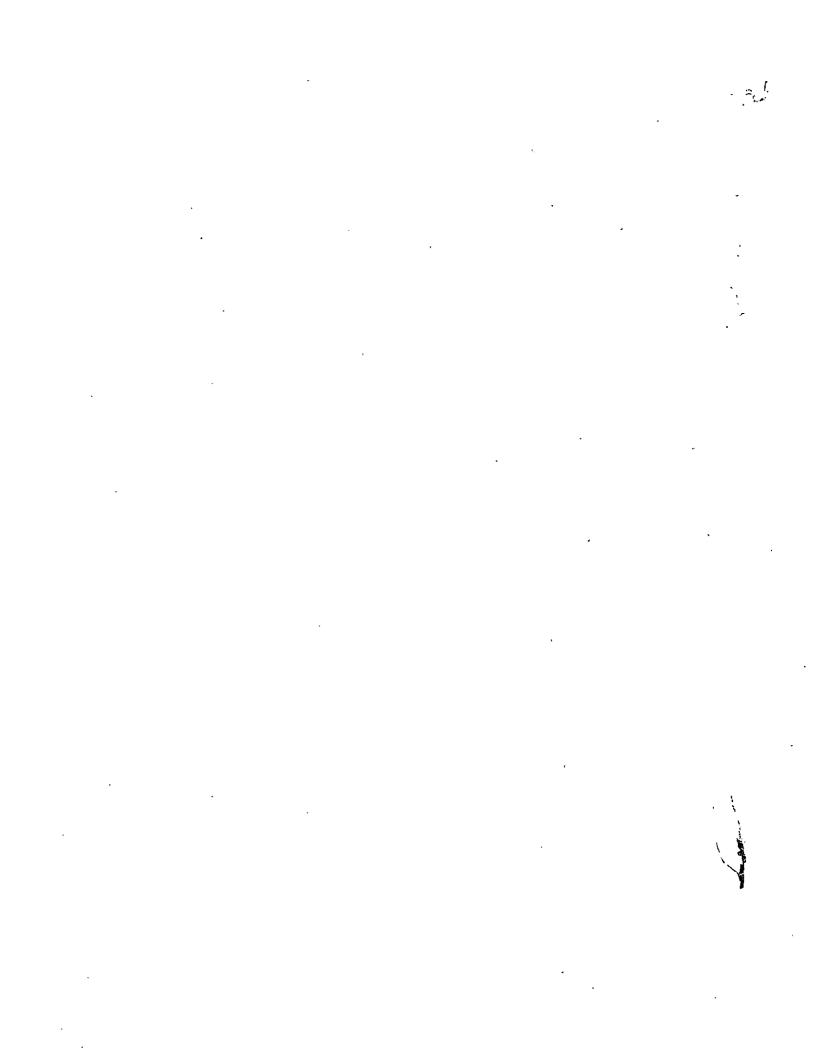
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John E. Beverungen

From:

John E. Beverungen

Sent:

Friday, January 19, 2018 12:22 PM

To:

'Busse, Jennifer R.'

Cc:

'dbehr@jhu.edu'; Sherry Nuffer (snuffer@baltimorecountymd.gov)

Subject:

Case 2018-0095 Solar Facility

Ms. Busse,

I am in receipt of your e-mail and attachments concerning the above matter. I have reviewed those materials and am willing to clarify Condition No. 3 in the order issued in the above case.

As you have requested, Condition No. 3 on page 4 of the December 29, 2017 order shall be clarified to read as follows:

3. "No trees shall be removed from the site in connection with the construction and/or operation of the solar facility which either materially alter the existing screening provided for adjacent residential uses, or materially alter the existing screening provided for pedestrians and vehicles traveling on Philadelphia Road."

All other terms and conditions of the December 29, 2017 order shall continue in full force and effect. A copy of your email, and this response, will be included in the case file.

John Beverungen

John E. Beverungen

From: Busse, Jennifer R. <jbusse@wtplaw.com>

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2018 1:56 PM

To: John E. Beverungen

Cc: Doug Behr; Mike Greczyn; Mitchell "Mitch" Kellman (mkellman@dmw.com)

Subject: Request for Letter of Clarification in Case # 2018-0095-SPHXA

Attachments: 17031_LA_50 Scale Aerial.pdf; RE: Phila Rd solar site; 17031.0 (Rt. 7 Solar Array) 1.17.18

Field Meeting.pdf

Helio Judge Beverungen:

I need to respectfully request clarification of Condition #3 in the Order for Case 2018-0095-SPHXA (11956 Philadelphia Road solar facility).

Doug Behr is copied on this email, as he attended the hearing as an interested citizen.

Mr. Behr and I both expect that the intent behind Condition #3 was to preserve the character of the area and to minimize visibility of the facility, especially along Philadelphia Road.

My client does not have a concern with Condition #3 as it relates to this intention and as discussed at the hearing, does not need to remove vegetation along Philadelphia Road.

However, there are 2 areas, as shown on the attached aerial and circled in blue, in which vegetation needs to be removed to accommodate the solar facility.

My apology if I failed to better explain all of this during the hearing.

The area in the middle where vegetation needs to be removed (south of the BGE overhead lines) is the small wetland area discussed at the hearing, and if the approval is obtained from DEPS, vegetation will be removed in that area to permit the area to be used for the solar facility.

The area near the adjacent BGE parcel (on the left side of the aerial, on the western side of the site, south of the BGE overhead lines) also contains some vegetation which will need to be removed to permit the area to contain solar panels.

The area in the middle will not be visible from off the site.

The area on the left (the western side) is inside other existing plantings which for the most part can remain, as well as additional proposed plantings, as documented on the preliminary landscape plan which was also reviewed at the hearing.

After a site visit yesterday, attended by Mr. Behr, Mr. Kellman and a landscape architect from DMW, Mr. Behr informed me that he has no problem with the need to remove the vegetation in the areas identified on the attached aerial. He also informed me that he would prefer that to the extent possible, as much of the existing vegetation outside of (to the southwest of) the area where vegetation does need to be removed (the larger of the two blue circled areas on the attached aerial), remain; instead of being removed and replaced with new landscape material.

A copy of our email correspondence is attached hereto.

Also attached is a portion of the drafted landscape plan marked up with notations from the site visit.

My client is willing to adjust the solar panel layout as necessary, and DMW will incorporate Mr. Behr's desires in seeking approval from Baltimore County of the landscape plan, thus ensuring that on the property controlled by my client, as much as possible of the existing vegetation on the southwest corner of the site remain.

Therefore, we respectfully request that Condition #3 be clarified and we suggest the following language:

"No trees shall be removed from the site in connection with the construction and/or operation of the solar facility which either materially alter the existing screening provided for adjacent residential uses, or materially alter the existing screening provided for pedestrians and vehicles traveling on Philadelphia Road."

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.



Attachments:

- 1) aerial showing 2 blue circles identifying the areas where vegetation needs to be removed;
- ·2) email correspondence with Mr. Behr; and
- 3) marked up portion of drafted landscape plan.



Whiteford Taylor Preston."

Jennifer R. Busse | Partner

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Sherry Nuffer

From:

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Thursday, December 14, 2017 12:01 PM

To:

Busse, Jennifer R.; Doug Behr; Kristen L Lewis; johnbeverungen@gmail.com; John E.

Beverungen; Beers, Robin

Cc:

Peter Max Zimmerman; Sherry Nuffer; Kristen L Lewis

Subject:

RE: request for hearing postponement

Ok, no pp.

From: Busse, Jennifer R. [mailto:jbusse@wtplaw.com]

Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2017 11:58 AM

To: Doug Behr <dbehr@jhu.edu>; Arnold Jablon <ajablon@baltimorecountymd.gov>; Kristen L Lewis

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<jbeverungen@baltimorecountymd.gov>; Beers, Robin <robinwb1@comcast.net>

Cc: Peter Max Zimmerman <pzimmerman@baltimorecountymd.gov>; Sherry Nuffer <snuffer@baltimorecountymd.gov>

Subject: RE: request for hearing postponement

Hi Doug - thank you so much.

I am so appreciative.

Absolutely happy to discuss this case in more detail before Monday.

And yes we will agree to a continuance after Monday if your association has outstanding concerns, etc.

Peter Zimmerman pointed out the confusion on acreage covered by panels and I apologize.

We will redline the plan to be more clear.

So the total acreage that encompasses the panels is approximately 13.8 acres.

The square footage of the panels is 177,755.

As to a landscape plan – that is not required until the processing of the development plan. That said though, we are happy to discuss it before and at the hearing.

Know that most definitely the landscape plan will be in accordance with the requirements of Bill 37-17 and the landscape manual – we are not seeking approval for deviations from the requirements.

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Gratefully—

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Debra Wiley

Sent:

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 12:28 PM

To:

'John E Beverungen'

Subject:

FW: PP request for Monday

John,

Just found out it is not Patsy Malone but Jen Busse.

From: Debra Wiley

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 12:23 PM

To: 'John E Beverungen' < johnbeverungen@gmail.com>

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Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 11:45 AM
To: Debra Wiley cdf description 13, 2017 11:45 AM

Subject: Re: PP request for Monday

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Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings
105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103
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From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 2:22 PM

To:

Sherry Nuffer (snuffer@baltimorecountymd.gov)

Subject:

FW: request for hearing postponement

FYI

From: Debra Wiley

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 2:19 PM

To: Jennifer R. Busse Esq. (jbusse@wtplaw.com) < jbusse@wtplaw.com>

Cc: 'John E Beverungen' < johnbeverungen@gmail.com>

Subject: FW: request for hearing postponement

Please see email below from Arnold Jablon.

From: Kristen L Lewis

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 2:15 PM

To: Debra Wiley < dwiley@baltimorecountymd.gov

Subject: FW: request for hearing postponement

FYI

Kristen Lewis PAI – Zoning Review 410-887-3391

From: Arnold Jablon

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 2:02 PM

To: Doug Behr < dbehr@ihu.edu>

Cc: Kristen L Lewis < <u>klewis@baltimorecountymd.gov</u>> **Subject:** RE: request for hearing postponement

I will agree to pp, but the cost of reposting is that of the party requesting the pp. You need to contact the attorney for the petitioner, and, in conjunction with Ms. Lewis, the docket clerk, choose a new date for the hearing.

From: Doug Behr [mailto:dbehr@jhu.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 1:38 PM

To: Arnold Jablon <a i style="color: blue;">ajablon@baltimorecountymd.gov>

Subject: request for hearing postponement

Dear Mr. Jablon-

There is a special hearing scheduled for next Monday but there was confusion about the details of the project. Please see the attached request for postponement from our board president, Dottie Foos. It was suggested that we send your office a copy of what was sent to Judge Beverungen.

Many thanks for your consideration.

—Doug Behr

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From:

Administrative Hearings

Sent:

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 12:21 PM

To:

Patricia A. Malone (pamalone@Venable.com)

Subject:

FW: request for meeting postponement (Greater Kingsville Civic Association)

Attachments:

Solar postponement letter GKCA.pdf

Patsy,

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From: Doug Behr [mailto:dbehr@jhu.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 10:03 AM

To: Administrative Hearings <administrativehearings@baltimorecountymd.gov> **Subject:** request for meeting postponement (Greater Kingsville Civic Association)

Good morning-

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Thank you very much—

—Doug Behr

12/18 1:30 PM

Debra Wiley

From:

Administrative Hearings

Sent:

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 11:16 AM

To:

John E. Beverungen

Subject:

FW: request for meeting postponement (Greater Kingsville Civic Association)

Attachments:

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John,

Please see postponement request for hearing on Monday, December 18th @ 1:30 PM.

Thanks.

Deb

From: Doug Behr [mailto:dbehr@jhu.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 10:03 AM

To: Administrative Hearings <administrativehearings@baltimorecountymd.gov> **Subject:** request for meeting postponement (Greater Kingsville Civic Association)

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Greater Kingsville Civic Association, Inc. P.O. Box 221, Kingsville, Maryland 21087

December 12, 2017

Re: Case #2018-0095-SPHXA 11956 Philadelphia Road

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ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Dear Judge Beverungen-

On behalf of the Board of the Greater Kingsville Civic Association Inc., I am writing to request a postponement for the Special Hearing for this case scheduled for December 18.

We are very concerned about this issue but were completely unaware that this hearing was to occur. As recently as yesterday a member of our board was told by County zoning staff that there was no hearing for this issue scheduled. Apparently, the confusion may have been created by misinformation given even online regarding the location of this site. Online, the address of 11956 Philaladelphia Road conflicts with the location description of 'north side of Philadelphia Road, northeast corner of intersecting streets of Philadelphia and Raphel Road'. In researching the property and address, we find there are two different tax numbers as well, so that we need to be able to discern precisely which property is the focus of the hearing. Due to this confusion, it's clear that both the County zoning staff and our board have been 'in the dark' regarding the scheduled hearing and we need additional time to sort this out.

The GKCA board would be most grateful for your permitting the postponement.

With many thanks-Dorothy Foos President

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Greater Kingsville Civic Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 221, Kingsville, Maryland 21087

Jennifer Busse

Whiteford, Taylor, Preston / One West Pennsylvania Ave. / Towson, MD 21204

December 21, 2017

Re: Case #2018-0095-SPHXA

11956 Philadelphia Road

Dear Jennifer-

Thanks once again for you efforts in accommodating our concerns. As I said on Monday, while our association is greatly concerned about the impact of solar arrays in our community, this instance presents minimal impact, for which we are grateful.

There are just a few concerns, and all were mentioned at the hearing. One you all have responded to—there will be no additional lighting of any kind required for the project. Our second concern regards the planting plan. We always encourage the use of native material as much as possible, and a mix of materials so as to try to create as naturalistic an appearance as possible. We would be much happier with a loose, casual planting character than with a regimented or structured planting. The preliminary planting plan that you showed me on Monday certainly reflects that. The GKCA requests that we could review a copy of the final planting plan. Of course our hope is that any material will grow tall enough to hide the views of the panels quickly. We do not want to see any signage, but I don't believe any is called for.

With many thanks—

Doug Behr

GKCA Rural Protection Committee

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John E. Beverungen

From:

Busse, Jennifer R. <jbusse@wtplaw.com>

Sent:

Thursday, December 21, 2017 9:46 AM

To:

Doug Behr

Cc:

John E. Beverungen

Subject:

RE: comments regarding solar array on Philadelphia Road

Hello Mr. Behr and thank you for your email and letter.

In response to your request to review the final landscape plan — I have spoken with my client and that is not a problem. I will share a copy of the plan with you when it is submitted to the County's landscape architect. That way, if you have any comments on it, you can provide them to us before the County's landscape architect provides approval and both the team and he can take your comments into account.

We look forward to working with you and appreciate your involvement and consideration.



Whiteford Taylor Preston."

Jennifer R. Busse | Partner

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From: Doug Behr [mailto:dbehr@jhu.edu]
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 8:51 AM
To: Busse, Jennifer R. <jbusse@wtplaw.com>

Cc: Beverungen, John E. Esquire (jbeverungen@baltimorecountymd.gov) < jbeverungen@baltimorecountymd.gov>

Subject: comments regarding solar array on Philadelphia Road

Good morning Jennifer-

Thanks again for your interest on Monday. I'm attaching a letter noting our concerns, which are quite minimal.

Thanks again, and Merry Christmas-

-Doug

Support/Oppose/

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Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

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Existing View from Philadelphia Road – East of site

Facing west, site is to the right



Facing north toward site







Existing View from Philadelphia Road

Facing northwest toward property entrance



Facing north toward site





Existing View from Philadelphia Road – Property Entrance

Looking north at site entrance



Looking north at site entrance





Existing View from Philadelphia Road – Property Entrance

Looking northeast at site entrance



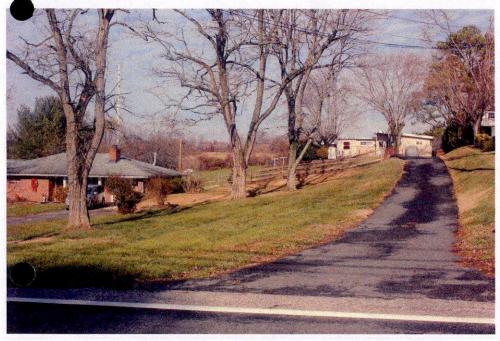
Looking northeast at site entrance





Existing View from Philadelphia Road

Looking north at site



Looking north at site





Existing View from Philadelphia Road

Looking north at site



Looking northeast at site entrance







July 27, 2018

Arnold Jablon, Director
Baltimore County Department of Permits,
Approvals, and Inspections (PAI)
C/O Carl Richards, Zoning Supervisor
Baltimore County Zoning Review Office
111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Room 111
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re

Zoning Spirit and Intent (S and I) Letter Philadelphia Road Solar Array 11956 Philadelphia Road Zoning Case 2018-0095-SPHXA 11th Election District, 6th Councilmanic District Job No. 17031

Dear Mr. Jablon:

Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc. (DMW) represents the lessee of the referenced property, and we are responsible for the development processing, engineering, and planning of their commercial solar facility project. The facility has been recently approved via Special Exception Case Number 2018-0095-SPHXA. No appeal to the Zoning Order was filed.

After Special Exception approval and during final design, our team realized that we must erect three (3) electric utility poles that were not shown on the Plan to Accompany the Special Exception Petition. The proposed poles are clearly within the approved Special Exception Area. In addition, the solar array is being modified as part as final design and all panels are located with the Special Exception Area as well. All modifications, we feel, are immaterial and are within the scope of the Special Exception approval.

Please confirm by countersigning this letter that the addition of the 3 utility poles and modification to the solar array, all within the approved Special Exception area, are with the scope and/or spirit and intent of the approved Special Exception. With this letter, we are enclosing the red-line Special Exception plan, the Zoning Order of the referenced Special Exception, and a check for payment of the letter processing fee.

Please contact us at your earliest convenience if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc.

Mitchell J. Kellman

Vice President/Director of Zoning Services

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W. Carl Richards, Zoning Supervisor Agreed and Confirmed Date

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, *

SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE

(11956 Philadelphia Road)

11th Election District

6th Council District 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC

Legal Owner

Turning Point Energy, LLC

Lessee

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2018-0095-SPHXA

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for Baltimore County for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Variance filed on behalf of 11956 Philadelphia Road, LLC, legal owner, and Turning Point Energy, LLC, lessee ("Petitioners").

The Petition for Special Hearing was filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R") as follows: (1) asking the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) if the requirement for a 50 ft. setback applies to an internal property line; (2) to approve shared access for an existing farm and a proposed solar facility; and (3) to approve use of an easement to connect special exception areas. In the alternative, a Petition for Variance seeks to permit a 20 ft. setback in lieu of the required 50 ft. Finally, a Petition for Special Exception was filed to permit a solar facility in the RC 5 zone.

Appearing at the public hearing in support of the requests was Mitch Kellman. Jennifer R. Busse, Esq. represented the lessee and Howard Alderman, Esq. represented the legal owner. Doug Behr, of the Greater Kingsville Civic Association, attended the hearing to obtain additional information regarding the requests. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. Substantive Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC)

comments were submitted by the Department of Planning (DOP), the Bureau of Development Plans Review (DPR) and the Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability (DEPS). None of the reviewing agencies opposed the requests.

The subject property adjoins Interstate 95 to the north and Philadelphia Road (Md. Route 7) to the south. The site is approximately 23.55 acres in size and is zoned RC-5. The property is improved with a single-family dwelling and agricultural outbuildings (which constitute a "farm" under the B.C.Z.R.), which will remain on site. Petitioners propose to operate a solar facility on approximately 16 acres of the site, which is bisected by high-voltage power lines owned by Baltimore Gas & Electric (BGE).

Special Exception

Under Maryland law, a special exception use enjoys a presumption that it is in the interest of the general welfare, and therefore, valid. Schultz v. Pritts, 291 Md. 1 (1981). The Schultz standard was revisited in Attar v. DMS Tollgate, LLC, 451 Md. 272, (2017), where the court of appeals discussed the nature of the evidentiary presumption in special exception cases. The court again emphasized a special exception is properly denied only when there are facts and circumstances showing that the adverse impacts of the use at the particular location in question would be above and beyond those inherently associated with the special exception use.

Mr. Kellman testified Petitioners satisfy the requirements of B.C.Z.R. §502.1, and he believes this is an "ideal location" for the facility. He noted the site is adjacent to I-95 and a BGE electric substation, and he believed the landscaping proposed would screen the solar facility from view of motorists and/or pedestrians. This appears to be the first hearing seeking approval for a solar facility in the 6th Council district, and Mr. Kellman confirmed the property is not subject to an agricultural or preservation easement. He also advised none of the roadways adjoining the site

are designated as scenic. Based on this testimony and the exhibits presented, and in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, the petition for special exception will be granted.

Special Hearing

The petition for special hearing primarily concerns whether the 50 ft. "tract boundary" setback requirement found in B.C.Z.R. §4E-104 applies to an internal lot line at the site. As Mr. Kellman explained, the subject property is bisected by a strip of land owned in fee simple by BGE, on which are located high-voltage power lines and support structures. BGE will grant to Petitioners an easement so they may travel across this strip while constructing and/or operating the solar facility. In these circumstances, the bisecting strip/road does not create separate parcels for development and zoning purposes. *Freeland Comm. Ass'n v. HZ Props., LLC*, Ct. Special Appeals (9/16/2016, unreported). As such, the internal property lines created by the BGE strip are not considered "tract boundaries," and a variance is not required to locate the solar panels 20 feet from these lines.

The other aspect of the special hearing concerns the use of a shared access driveway. The driveway, which is shown on the redlined site plan (Ex. 3), would be used by the existing resident and the solar facility. Nothing in the law prohibits such an arrangement, and with the exception of construction traffic accompanying the installation of the panels there will be little or no vehicular traffic using the drive to access the solar facility. As such this aspect of the petition for special hearing will also be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>29th</u> day of **December**, 2017, by this Administrative Law Judge, that the Petition for Special Hearing filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."): (1) to determine the requirement for a 50 ft. setback does not apply to an internal property line; (2) to approve shared access for an existing farm and a proposed

solar facility; and (3) to approve use of an easement to connect special exception areas, be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Special Exception to permit a solar facility in the RC 5 zone, be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance to permit a 20 ft. setback in lieu of the required 50 ft., be and is hereby DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE..

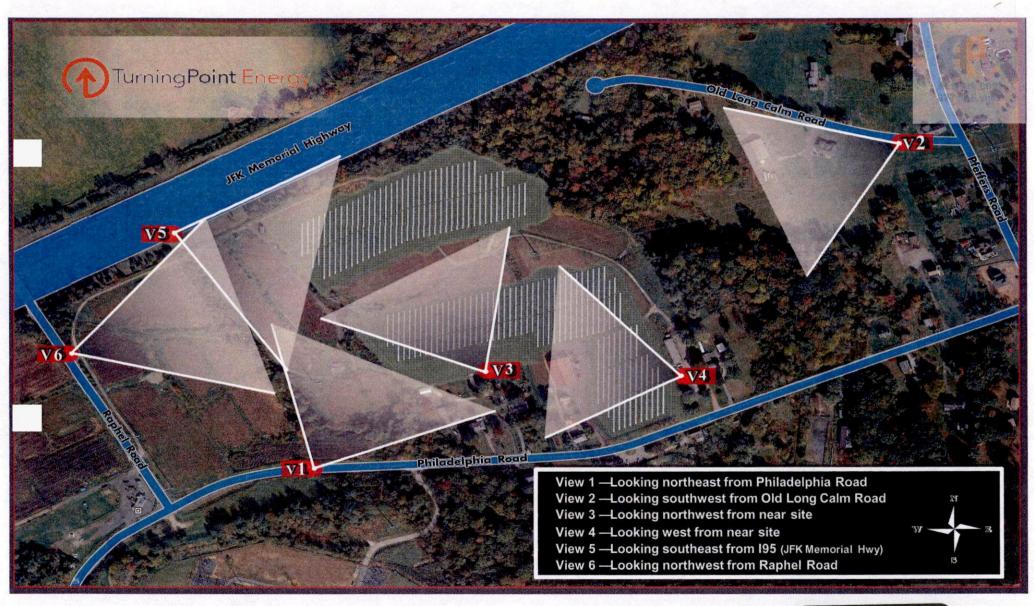
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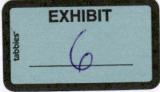
- Petitioners may apply for necessary permits and/or licenses upon receipt
 of this Order. However, Petitioners are hereby made aware that
 proceeding at this time is at their own risk until 30 days from the date
 hereof, during which time an appeal can be filed by any party. If for
 whatever reason this Order is reversed, Petitioners would be required to
 return the subject property to its original condition.
- 2. No lighting or signage (with respect to the solar facility) shall be installed at the property.
- 3. No trees shall be removed from the site in connection with the construction and/or operation of the solar facility.
- 4. Petitioners must submit for approval by Baltimore County (with a copy to the Greater Kingsville Civic Association, Inc.) a landscape plan for the site.
- 5. Petitioners must comply with the ZAC comment submitted by the DEPS, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Any appeal of this decision must be made within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

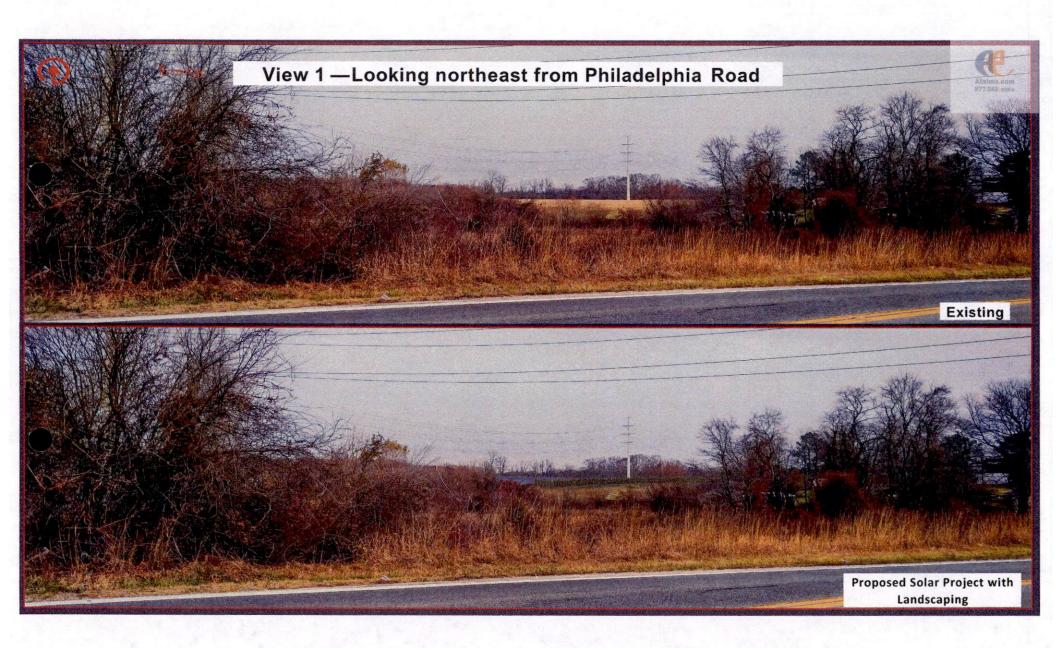
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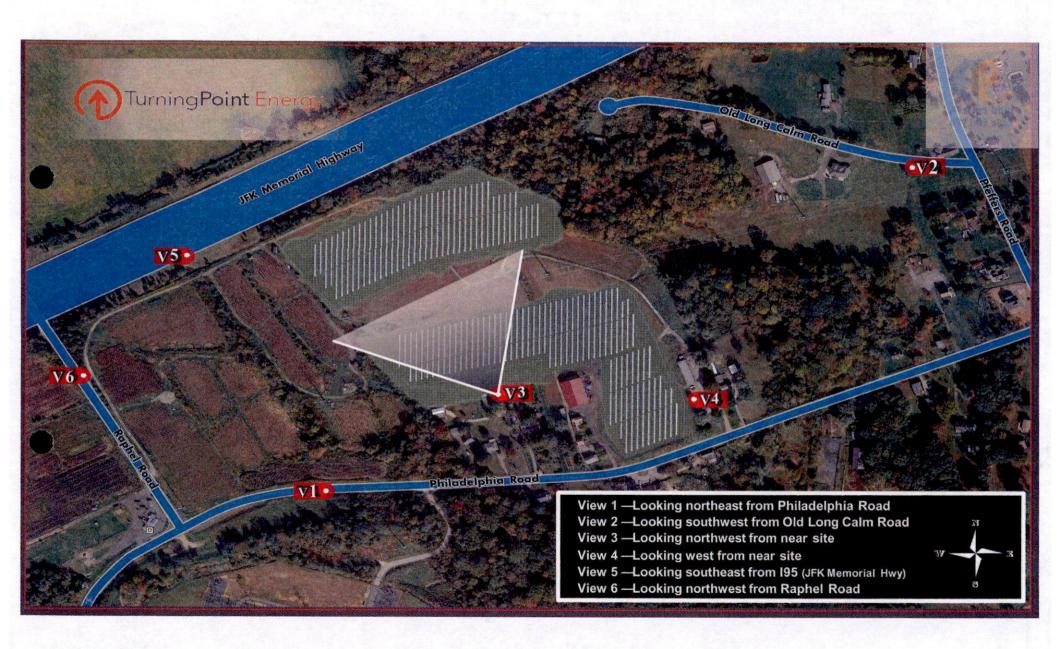




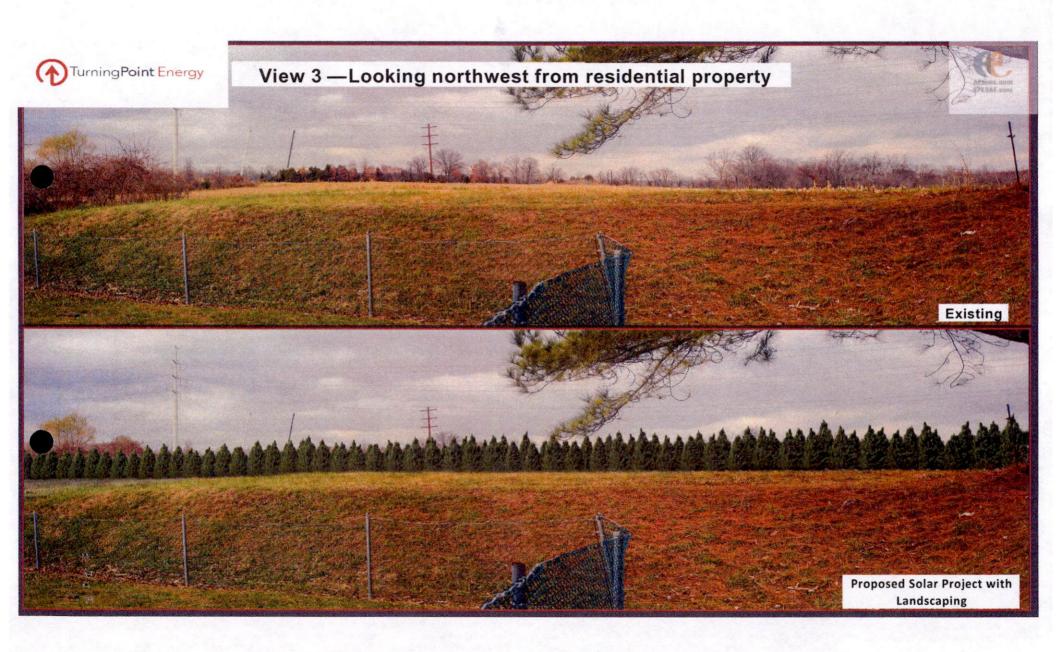


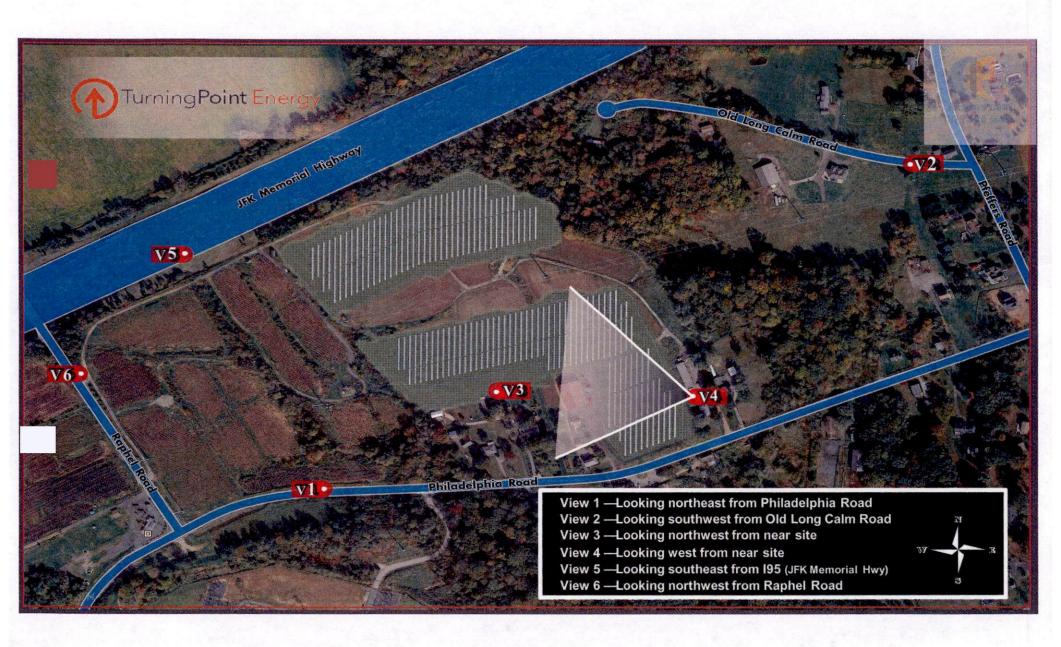


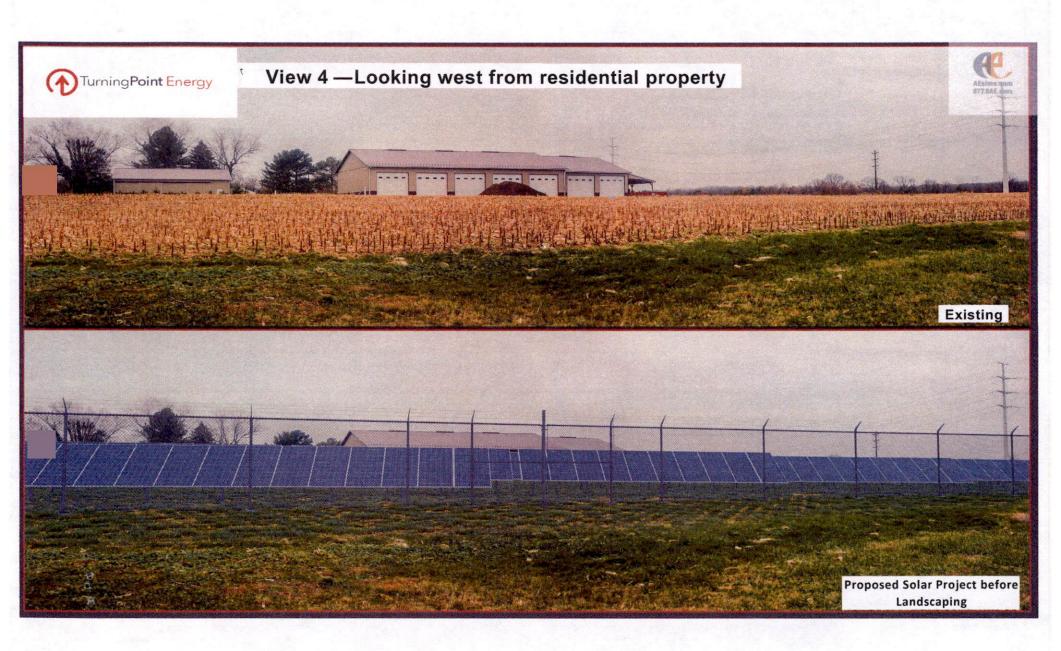


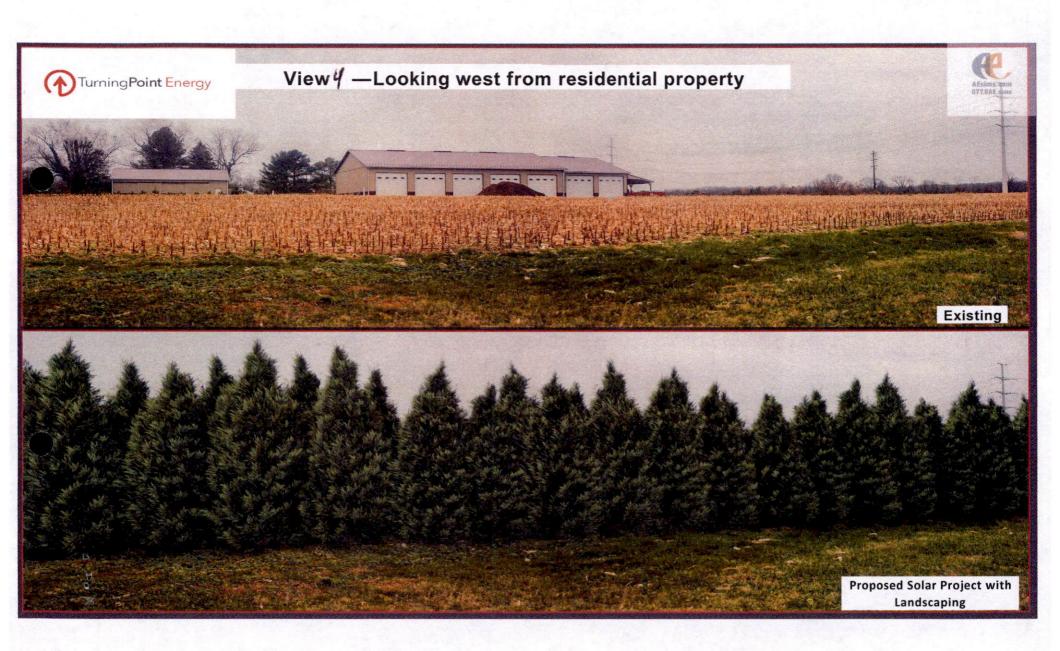


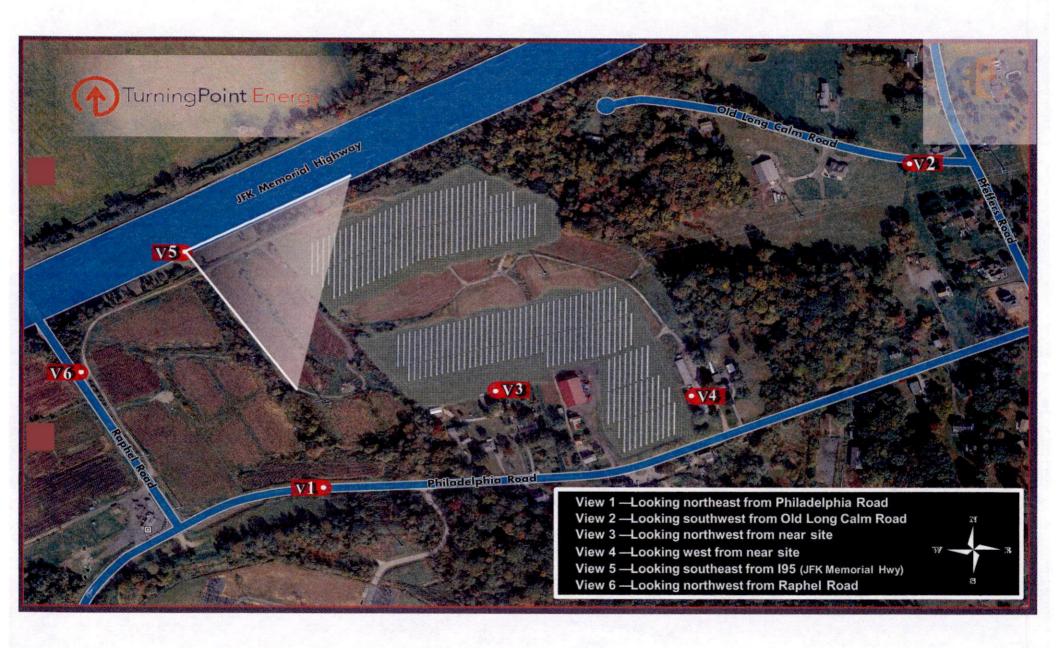


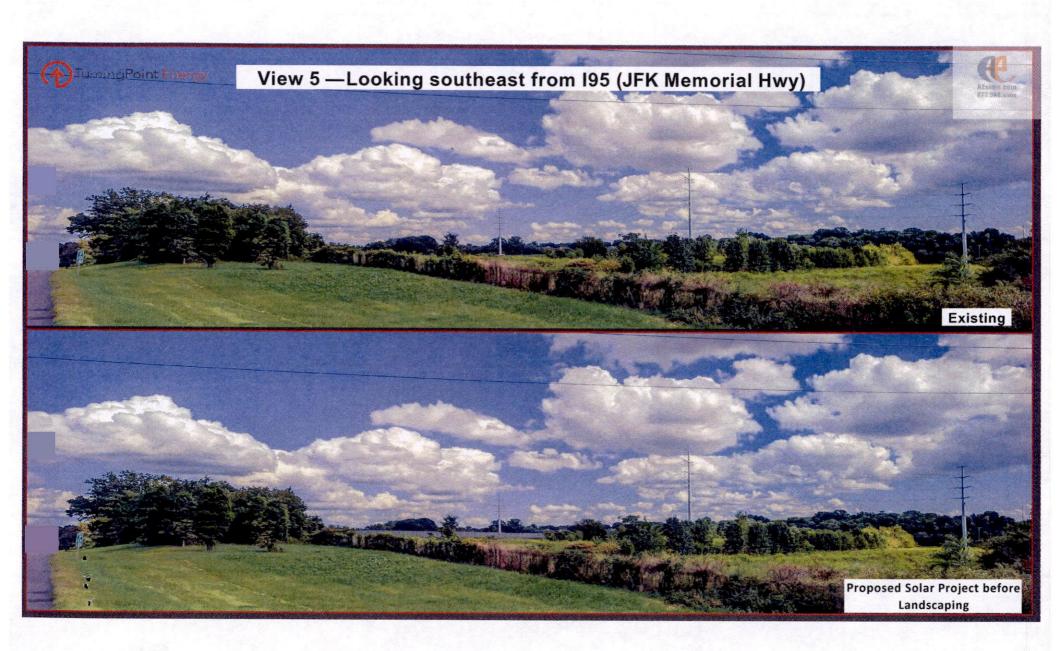


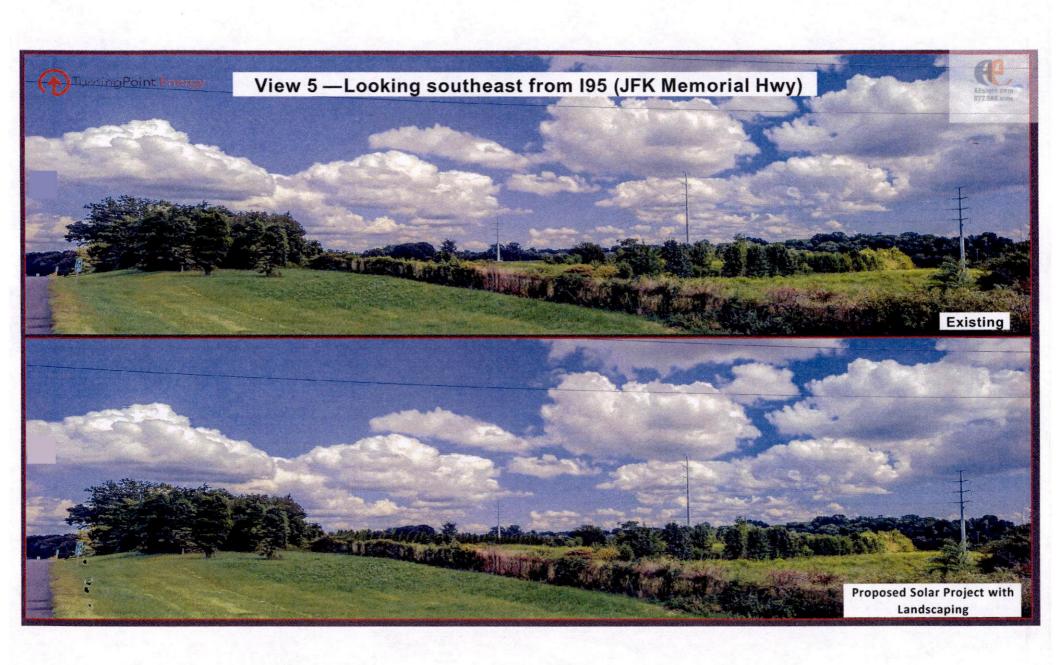




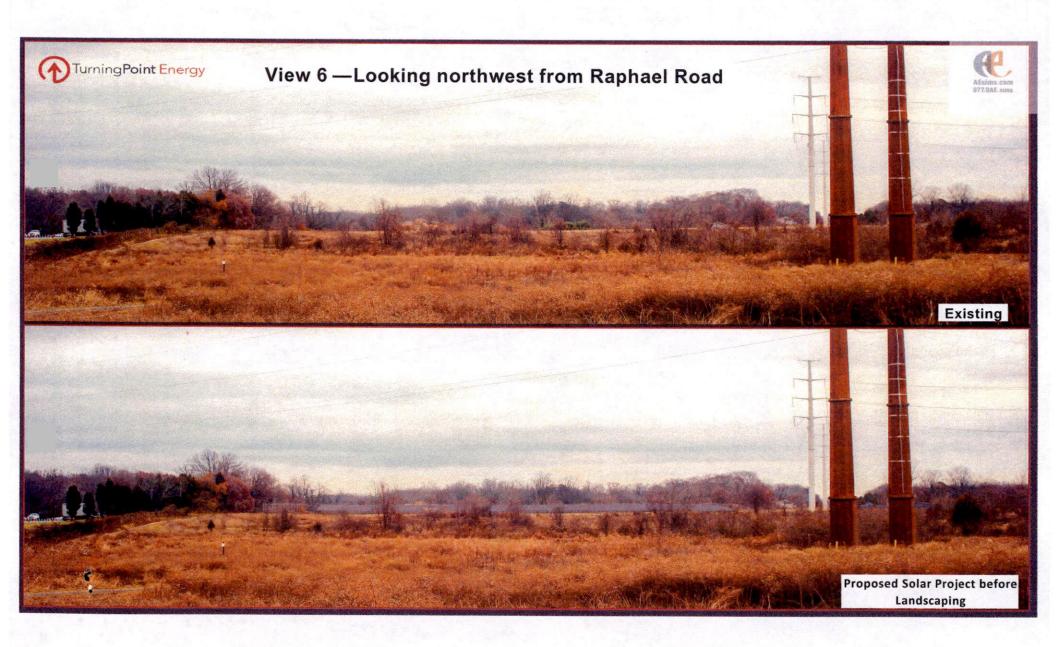


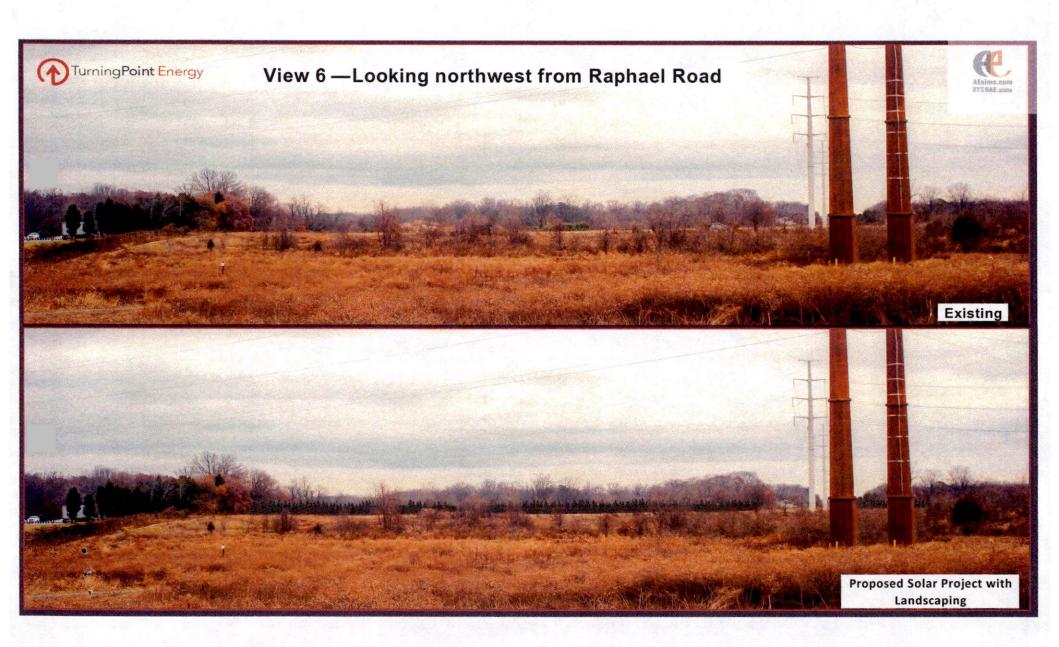


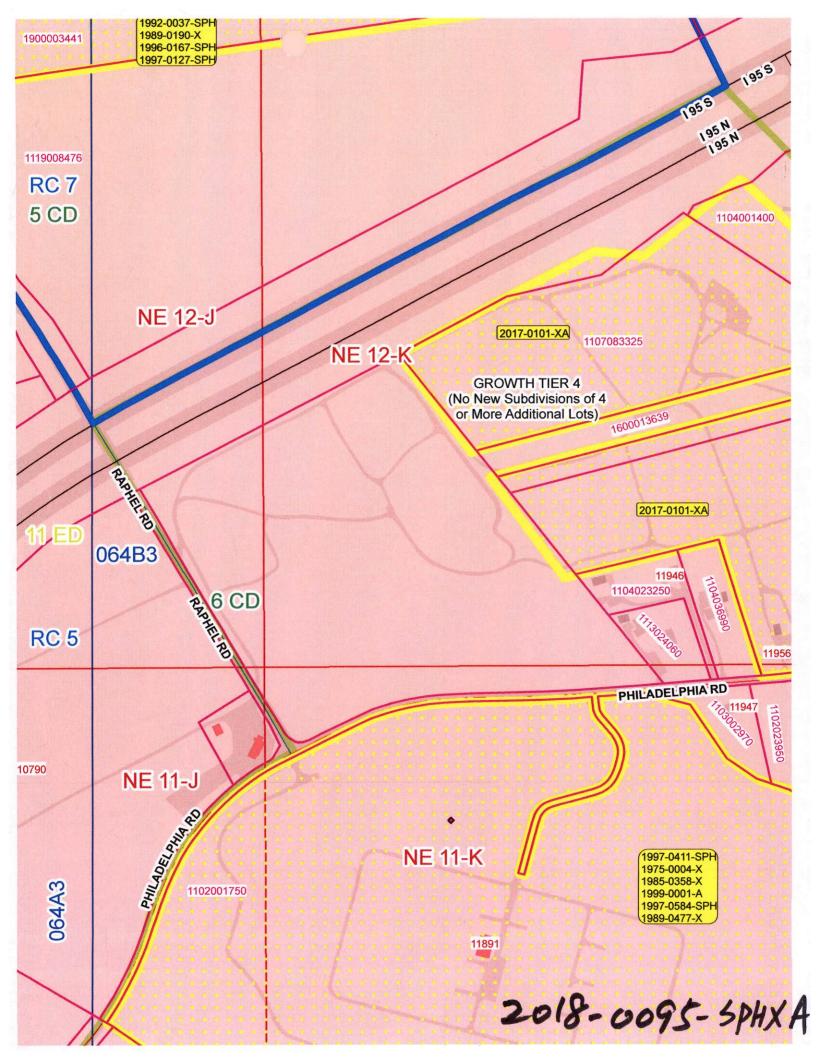












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Bill No. 37-17

Mrs. Vicki Almond, Councilwoman

By the County Council, June 5, 2017

A BILL ENTITLED

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BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments Article 5 – Administration and Enforcement Section 502.1.I. Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, as amended

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE 2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations read as follows: 3 4 ARTICLE 4E 5 **SOLAR FACILITIES** 6 §4E-101. PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS. 7 §4E-101.1. PURPOSE. 8 SOLAR ENERGY IS RECOGNIZED AS AN ABUNDANT, RENEWABLE, AND 9 ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY GENERATION THAT WILL LEAD TO GREATER LOCAL GRID RESILIENCY AND SECURITY, AND PRODUCE 10 CLEAN, RENEWABLE ENERGY AND REDUCE AIR AND WATER POLLUTION CAUSED 11 BY THE BURNING OF TRADITIONAL FOSSIL FUELS. THE PURPOSE AND INTENT OF 12 13 THIS ARTICLE IS TO PERMIT SOLAR FACILITIES IN PARTS OF THE RURAL AND 14 COMMERCIAL AREAS OF THE COUNTY BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION, AND TO BALANCE THE BENEFITS OF SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCTION WITH ITS POTENTIAL IMPACT 15 16 UPON THE COUNTY'S LAND USE POLICIES BY ENSURING SUFFICIENT 17 SAFEGUARDS ARE IN PLACE TO PROTECT THE COUNTY'S COMMUNITIES AND ITS AGRICULTURAL LAND, FORESTS, WATERWAYS AND OTHER NATURAL 18

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RESOURCES.

- 1 §4E-101.2. DEFINITIONS:
- 2 AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 3 INDICATED:
- 4 A. "SOLAR FACILITY" MEANS A FACILITY THAT INCLUDES A SERIES OF ONE OR
- 5 MORE SOLAR COLLECTOR PANELS OR SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS THAT ARE
- 6 PLACED IN AN AREA ON A TRACT OF LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERATING
- 7 PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER FOR COMMERCIAL USE. THE TERM INCLUDES A SOLAR
- 8 POWER PLANT OR SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC FARM.
- 9 B. "COMMERCIAL USE" MEANS THE TRANSFER TO THE ELECTRICAL POWER GRID
- 10 OF ENERGY PRODUCED BY A SOLAR FACILITY FOR SALE BY ENERGY SUPPLIERS
- 11 TO CONSUMERS.
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- 13 §4E-102. LOCATION OF SOLAR FACILITIES.
- 14 A. SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH B, A SOLAR FACILITY IS PERMITTED ONLY BY
- 15 SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN THE R.C.2, R.C.3, R.C.4, R.C.5, R.C.6, R.C.7, R.C.8, B.L., B.M.,
- 16 M.R., M.L.R., AND M.H. ZONES OF THE COUNTY.
- 17 B. THE ALLOCATION OF LAND FOR SOLAR FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY IS
- 18 LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. THE MAXIMUM AREA PERMITTED FOR A SINGLE SOLAR FACILITY IS
- 20 THE AMOUNT OF ACREAGE THAT PRODUCES NO MORE THAN TWO MEGAWATTS
- 21 ALTERNATING CURRENT (AC) OF ELECTRICITY.
- 22 2. NO MORE THAN TEN (10) SOLAR FACILITIES MAY BE LOCATED IN A
- 23 COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT.

- 1 3. THE DIRECTOR OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS SHALL
- 2 MAINTAIN A RECORD OF ALL PERMITS ISSUED FOR A SOLAR FACILITY IN THE
- 3 COUNTY, INCLUDING THE LOCATION AND COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT FOR EACH
- 4 SUCH FACILITY, AND SHALL KEEP A CURRENT ACCOUNTING OF THE NUMBER OF
- 5 FACILITIES IN EACH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 4. UPON REACHING THE THRESHOLD OF TEN (10) SOLAR FACILITIES IN A
- 7 COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT, NO ADDITIONAL PERMITS SHALL BE ISSUED FOR A
- 8 SOLAR FACILITY IN THAT DISTRICT UNLESS AN EXISTING FACILITY PREVIOUSLY
- 9 APPROVED UNDER THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN REMOVED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4E-
- 10 107.

- 13 THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE FOLLOWING SOLAR FACILITY
- 14 INSTALLATIONS:
- 15 1. A <u>GROUND-MOUNTED SOLAR FACILITY LOCATED IN A YARD AREA,</u>
- 16 BUILDING, OR STRUCTURE THAT IS ACCESSORY TO A PRINCIPAL RESIDENTIAL,
- 17 AGRICULTURAL, COMMERCIAL OR INSTITUTIONAL USE THAT IS ACCESSORY TO
- A PRINCIPAL RESIDENTIAL OR AGRICULTURAL USE (SUBJECT TO SECTIONS 400.1
- 19 AND 400.2 OF THESE REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ACCESSORY BUILDINGS), OR
- 20 ACCESSORY TO A PRINCIPAL COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR INSTITUTIONAL
- 21 USE;
- 22 2. A ROOFTOP SOLAR FACILITY;

- 1 2 3. A SOLAR FACILITY ON FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT-
- 2 OWNED OR LEASED LAND THAT PRODUCES ENERGY FOR GOVERNMENT USE; OR
- 3 3 4. A SOLAR FACILITY LOCATED ON THE SAME PROPERTY OR TRACT AS
- 4 A FARM THAT USES AT LEAST 66% OF THE ENERGY GENERATED BY THE
- 5 FACILITY FOR AGRICULTURAL USES ON THE FARM.

- 7 §4E-104. REQUIREMENTS.
- 8 A. A SOLAR FACILITY LOCATED IN AN R.C. ZONE IS SUBJECT TO THE
 - 9 FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:
- 10 1. THE LAND ON WHICH A SOLAR FACILITY IS PROPOSED MAY NOT BE
- 11 ENCUMBERED BY AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION EASEMENT, AN
- 12 ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION EASEMENT, OR A RURAL LEGACY EASEMENT.
- 2. THE LAND ON WHICH A SOLAR FACILITY IS PROPOSED MAY NOT BE
- 14 LOCATED IN A BALTIMORE COUNTY HISTORIC DISTRICT OR ON A PROPERTY
- 15 THAT IS LISTED ON THE BALTIMORE COUNTY FINAL LANDMARKS LIST.
- 16 3. THE PORTION OF LAND ON WHICH A SOLAR FACILITY IS PROPOSED
- 17 MAY NOT BE IN A FOREST CONSERVATION EASEMENT, OR BE IN A DESIGNATED
- 18 CONSERVANCY AREA IN AN R.C.4 OR R.C.6 ZONE.
- 4. ABOVEGROUND COMPONENTS OF THE SOLAR FACILITY, INCLUDING
- 20 SOLAR COLLECTOR PANELS, INVERTERS, AND SIMILAR EQUIPMENT, MUST BE
- 21 SET BACK A MINIMUM OF 50 FEET FROM THE TRACT BOUNDARY. THIS
- 22 SETBACK DOES NOT APPLY TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE ASSOCIATED
- 23 LANDSCAPING, SECURITY FENCING, WIRING, OR POWER LINES.

- 5. A STRUCTURE MAY NOT EXCEED 20 FEET IN HEIGHT.
- 2 6. A LANDSCAPING BUFFER SHALL BE PROVIDED AROUND THE
- 3 PERIMETER OF ANY PORTION OF A SOLAR FACILITY THAT IS VISABLE FROM AN
- 4 ADJACENT RESIDENTIALLY USED PROPERTY OR A PUBLIC STREET. SCREENING
- 5 OF STATE AND LOCAL SCENIC ROUTES AND SCENIC VIEWS IS REQUIRED IN
- 6 ACCORDANCE WITH THE BALTIMORE COUNTY LANDSCAPE MANUAL.
- 7. SECURITY FENCING SHALL BE PROVIDED BETWEEN THE LANDSCAPING
- 8 BUFFER AND THE SOLAR FACILITY.
- 9 8. A SOLAR COLLECTOR PANEL OR COMBINATION OF SOLAR COLLECTOR
- 10 PANELS SHALL BE DESIGNED AND LOCATED IN AN ARRANGEMENT THAT
- 11 MINIMIZES GLARE OR REFLECTION ONTO ADJACENT PROPERTIES AND
- 12 ADJACENT ROADWAYS, AND DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH TRAFFIC OR CREATE A
- 13 SAFETY HAZARD.
- 9. A PETITIONER SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PLAN REQUIREMENTS OF
- 15 SECTION 33-3-108 OF THE COUNTY CODE.
- 10. IN GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION, THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW
- 17 JUDGE, OR BOARD OF APPEALS ON APPEAL, MAY IMPOSE CONDITIONS OR
- 18 RESTRICTIONS ON THE SOLAR FACILITY USE AS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE
- 19 ENVIRONMENT AND SCENIC VIEWS, AND TO LESSEN THE IMPACT OF THE
- 20 FACILITY ON THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF SURROUNDING
- 21 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES AND COMMUNITIES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SUCH
- 22 FACTORS AS THE TOPOGRAPHY OF ADJACENT LAND, THE PRESENCE OF
- 23 NATURAL FOREST BUFFERS, AND PROXIMITY OF STREAMS AND WETLANDS.

- 1 B. THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPHS A.6, A.7, A.8 AND A.10 SHALL
- 2 APPLY TO A SOLAR FACILITY LOCATED IN A BUSINESS OR MANUFACTURING
- 3 ZONE.

- 5 § 4E-105. REQUIRED SECURITY.
- 6 A. AN APPLICANT FOR A BUILDING PERMIT FOR A SOLAR FACILITY SHALL
- 7 PROVIDE A SECURITY BOND OR EQUIVALENT FINANCIAL SECURITY IN THE FORM
- 8 AND AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.
- 9 B. THE CODE OFFICIAL MAY USE THE BOND TO PROCURE THE REPAIR OF ANY
- 10 UNSAFE OR HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS UNDER SECTION 4E-106 OR REMOVAL OF A
- 11 SOLAR FACILITY UNDER SECTION 4E-107, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3-6-402
- 12 OF THE COUNTY CODE.

- 14 §4E-106. MAINTENANCE.
- 15 A. ALL PARTIES HAVING A LEASE OR OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN A SOLAR
- 16 FACILITY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITY.
- 17 B. MAINTENANCE SHALL INCLUDE PAINTING, STRUCTURAL REPAIRS,
- 18 LANDSCAPE BUFFERS AND VEGETATION UNDER AND AROUND SOLAR PANEL
- 19 STRUCTURES, AND INTEGRITY OF SECURITY MEASURES. ACCESS TO THE
- 20 FACILITY SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN A MANNER ACCEPTABLE TO THE FIRE
- 21 DEPARTMENT. THE OWNER, OPERATOR, OR LESSEE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 22 COST OF MAINTAINING THE FACILITY AND ANY ACCESS ROADS.
- 23 C. APPROPRIATE VEGETATION IS PERMITTED UNDER AND AROUND THE SOLAR

- 1 COLLECTOR PANELS, AND THE TRACT MAY BE USED FOR ACCESSORY
- 2 AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES, INCLUDING GRAZING OF LIVESTOCK, APICULTURE,
- 3 AND SIMILAR USES.
- 4 D. THE PROVISIONS ON THIS SECTION SHALL BE ENFORCED IN ACCORDANCE
- 5 WITH ARTICLE 3, TITLE 6 OF THE COUNTY CODE.

- 7 §4E-107. ABANDONMENT; REMOVAL.
- 8 A. A SOLAR FACILITY THAT HAS REACHED THE END OF ITS USEFUL LIFE OR HAS
- 9 BEEN ABANDONED SHALL BE REMOVED. THE OWNER OR OPERATOR SHALL
- 10 PHYSICALLY REMOVE THE INSTALLATION NO MORE THAN 150 DAYS AFTER THE
- 11 DATE OF DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS. THE OWNER OR OPERATOR SHALL
- 12 NOTIFY THE COUNTY BY CERTIFIED MAIL OF THE PROPOSED DATE OF
- 13 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS AND PLANS FOR REMOVAL.
- 14 B. REMOVAL SHALL CONSIST OF THE:
- 1. PHYSICAL REMOVAL OF ALL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS, STRUCTURES,
- 16 EQUIPMENT, SECURITY BARRIERS AND TRANSMISSION LINES FROM THE SITE:
- 17 2. DISPOSAL OF ALL SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE IN ACCORDANCE
- 18 WITH LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL WASTE DISPOSAL REGULATIONS; AND
- 19 3. STABILIZATION OR RE-VEGETATION OF THE SITE AS NECESSARY TO
- 20 MINIMIZE EROSION.
- 21 C. IF THE OWNER OR OPERATOR FAIL TO REMOVE THE FACILITY WITHIN 150
- 22 DAYS OF ABANDONMENT, THE COUNTY RETAINS THE RIGHT TO ENTER AND
- 23 REMOVE THE FACILITY. AS A CONDITION OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION APPROVAL,

- 1 THE PETITIONER AND LANDOWNER AGREE TO ALLOW ENTRY TO REMOVE AN
- 2 ABANDONED FACILITY.
- 3 D. THE CODE OFFICIAL MAY ISSUE A CITATION TO THE OWNER OR OPERATOR
- 4 FOR REMOVAL OF A SOLAR FACILITY IF:
- 5 1. THE CODE OFFICIAL DETERMINES THAT THE SOLAR FACILTY HAS NOT
- 6 BEEN IN ACTUAL AND CONTINUOUS USE FOR 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS;
- 7 2. THE OWNER OR OPERATOR FAILED TO CORRECT AN UNSAFE OR
- 8 HAZARDOUS CONDITION OR FAILED TO MAINTAIN THE SOLAR FACILITY UNDER
- 9 SECTION 4E-106 WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED IN A CORRECTION NOTICE
- 10 ISSUED BY THE CODE OFFICIAL; OR
- 11 3. THE OWNER OR OPERATOR HAS FAILED TO REMOVE THE SOLAR
- 12 FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH C.

- 14 §502.1. Conditions Determining Granting of Special Exception.
- 15 Before any special exception may be granted, it must appear that the use for which the special
- 16 exception is requested will not:
- 17 I. Be detrimental to the environment and natural resources of the site and vicinity including
- forests, streams, wetlands, aquifers and floodplains in an R.C.2, R.C.4, R.C.5, or R.C.7 Zone,
- 19 AND FOR CONSIDERATION OF A SOLAR FACILITY USE UNDER ARTICLE 4E, THE
- 20 INCLUSION OF THE R.C.3, R.C.6, AND R.C.8 ZONE.

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- 22. SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Planning Board shall, in
- 23 consultation with the Departments of Planning and Environmental Protection and Sustainability,

- and with participation of the Baltimore County Commission on Environmental Quality,
- 2 representatives of the Solar Industry, the Sierra Club's Greater Baltimore Group, and the Valleys
- 3 Planning Council, study and evaluate the impact of Solar Facilities in Baltimore County and the
- 4 effect of Article 4E of these Regulations, and by July 1, 2018 submit recommendations to the
- 5 County Council and the County Executive regarding potential changes to current law.
- 6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
- 7 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect on July 17, 2017 and
- 8 shall apply retroactively to any zoning petition filed after October 18, 2016.

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