



Community Development Department

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Ironwood Renewables is seeking to establish and operate a 5-megawatt solar garden, to be known as Shenandoah Solar, on 88-acres of the 95.73-acre property located on the west side of Somonauk Road, approximately 4,600 feet north of Chicago Road, in Squaw Grove Township. The subject property is zoned A-1, Agricultural District; and solar gardens are a Special Use in that district. A public hearing on the petition was held on April 27, 2023. After reviewing all of the materials and testimony, the Hearing Officer forwarded a recommendation of approval, with conditions, to the Planning, Zoning, & Development Committee of the County Board. After further review and discussion of the petition, the Committee forwarded a recommendation of approval, with conditions, to the full County Board. This petition was brought before the DeKalb County Board on June 21, 2023. During its discussion on the matter, the County Board determined that the matter should be returned to the Hearing Officer for further consideration.

The reopened public hearing on this petition will be held before the DeKalb County Hearing Officer on Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 1:00 pm, in the DeKalb County Community Outreach Building, Five Seasons Room, 2500 N. Annie Glidden Road, DeKalb, Illinois 60115. Because this will be the only opportunity for public input on this application, all interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting and be heard. The Special Use Permit petition, SQ-23-04, is available for inspection on the DeKalb County website at: <https://dekalbcounty.org/government/public-hearings/>.

Additionally, interested persons may submit testimony, comments, and questions via email at the following address: Communitydevelopment@dekalbcounty.org. Any such electronic submissions must be received by noon of the day of the public hearing to be included in the public record.

PART OF SECTIONS 33 & 34, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 5, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION PER DEED IN TRUST RECORDED OCTOBER 9, 2009 PER DOCUMENT NO. 2009014876

THE NORTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 33 (EXCEPT THE WESTERLY 1944.24 FEET) AS MEASURED ALONG THE EAST-WEST HALF SECTION LINE, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN AND ALSO THE NORTH HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34 IN AFORESAID TOWNSHIP AND RANGE EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PART BEING DESCRIBED BY COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTH HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID TOWNSHIP AND RANGE; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER SECTION, A DISTANCE OF 70 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER, A DISTANCE OF 515 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER, A DISTANCE OF 462 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER A DISTANCE OF 515 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SQUAW GROVE, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

P.I.N. 15-34-300-005 & 15-33-400-004

The application for the Special Use Permit has been filed in accordance with the requirements of Section 53-I-2 of the County Code in order to approve the construction of a solar garden on property zoned A-1, Agricultural District.

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