

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-1.3

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF  
COMMERCIAL SOLAR FARMS IN POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, KANSAS**

WHEREAS, there has been increased interest in commercial solar farms in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, on the part of the general public and on the part of industries and companies desiring to lease real estate for the installation of commercial solar farms, and

WHEREAS, the Pottawatomie County Department of Planning and Zoning is currently working on amendments to the Unified Development Regulations of Pottawatomie County, Kansas, to address the building of commercial solar structures and solar facilities in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the process of amending the Unified Development Regulations of Pottawatomie County, Kansas, to address the building of commercial solar structures and solar facilities in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, will be completed within six months from and after the passage of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in this Resolution, the term "Commercial Solar Farm" shall mean a commercial facility producing more than one (1) megawatt of electricity, from the conversion of sunlight into electricity, either by photovoltaics (PV), concentrating solar thermal devices (CST), or other conversion technology, for the primary purpose of wholesale sales of generated electricity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the building, construction, operation, or installation, either in whole or in part, of any Commercial Solar Farm, is hereby prohibited in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, for a period of six (6) months from and after the passage of this Resolution, or until the Board of County Commissioners adopts amendments to the Unified Development Regulations of Pottawatomie County, Kansas, which regulate Solar Farms within the boundaries of Pottawatomie County, Kansas, whichever first occurs.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2021.

  
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Chairman

  
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County Commissioner

  
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County Commissioner



Attest:

  
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County Clerk