

RESOLUTION 83- 2021

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON WASHINGTON COUNTY'S PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR WIND AND SOLAR POWER GENERATION FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED POWER LINES IN ALL UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020 via Resolution 64-2020, the Board of County Commissioners imposed a temporary moratorium until September 24, 2020 on the acceptance, processing, or approval of applications for uses of land that involve the development of wind or solar power generation facilities and associated transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2020 via Resolution 89-2020, the Board of County Commissioners imposed an extension to the temporary moratorium until February 23, 2021 on the acceptance, processing, or approval of applications for uses of land that involve the development of wind or solar power generation facilities and associated transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, County staff in conjunction with the County Planning Commission have been proceeding with due diligence to develop regulations that meet the needs of the County and finalized their recommended solar and wind power regulations on February 8, 2021, which was followed by a public hearing before the Planning Commission on February 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2021 via Resolution 54-2021, the Board of County Commissioners imposed an extension to the temporary moratorium until April 13, 2021 on the acceptance, processing, or approval of applications for uses of land that involve the development of wind or solar power generation facilities and associated transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, on March 9th, 2021 a properly noticed public hearing was held with active County resident participation, and review of regulations required further research; and

WHEREAS, on April 9th, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners returned the regulations for further research and recommendations from the County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners anticipates that given the requirements of public hearings, and additional review and research required for the final regulations by the County Planning Commission, they will not be effective sooner than August 31, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners therefore desires to extend the temporary moratorium to August 31, 2021.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, COLORADO:

1. All the findings set forth in Resolution 66-2021 are hereby incorporated herein.

2. The moratorium set forth in Resolution 64-2020 is hereby extended to August 31, 2021 unless earlier terminated or further extended.

DATED this 13th day of July, 2021.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WASHINGTON COUNTY, COLORADO**



Lea Ann Laybourn, Chairmah



Kent Vance, Commissioner



Tony Wells, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Annie Kuntz, Clerk to the Board

