## **RESOLUTION 94-2021**

- 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 9, 2021 a properly noticed public hearing was held with active County resident participation, and review of regulations required further research; and
- WHEREAS, on April 9, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners returned the regulations for further research and recommendations from the County Planning Commission; and
- WHEREAS, on July 27, 2021 The County Planning Commission returned modified solar, wind, and transmission line regulations to the Board of County Commissioners; and
- **WHEREAS**, on August 24th, 2021, a properly notice public hearing was held with active County resident participation, and review of regulations required further research; and
- WHEREAS, on September 28, 2021, a public hearing was held and review of regulations required further research; and
- WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners anticipates that given the requirements of additional review and research required for the final regulations by the County they will not be effective sooner than October 15, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners therefore desires to extend the temporary moratorium to October 15, 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 October 15, 2021 unless earlier terminated or further extended.

DATED this 28th day of September, 2021.

itz, Clerk to the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WASHINGTON COUNTY, COLORADO

Lea Ann Laybourn, Chairman

Kent Vance, Commissioner

Tony Wells, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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