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The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, an application was made by Rocco Lucente, for Village Solar, Owner, for subdivision approval. The applicant proposes to reconfigure tax Parcel Numbers 39.-1-38.8 & 38.-1-38.16 (lots 88 and 96) into three lots. Lot 1 is .72 acres; Lot 2 is .74 acres; Lot 3 is .92 acres. The property is in the Village Circle – Village Solar PDA #1.; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR § 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") requires that a Lead Agency be established for conducting environmental review of projects in accordance with local and state environmental law and the Lead Agency shall be that local agency which has primary responsibility for approving and funding or carrying out the action; and

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Lansing is believed best suited to review the impacts of this proposed Subdivision as (i) the Town Board is the only body with jurisdiction to review the Subdivision and issue the final Subdivision approval, (ii) the Town Board is best situated to understand and evaluate the potential unique impacts of such upon the developmental patterns, topography, and unique natural and non-natural features of the Town of Lansing, including known streams, wetlands, UNAs, agricultural resources of value, and archeosensitive sites within or near the proposed subdivision area, (iii) the Town Board has the broadest governmental powers for investigating the potential or actual impacts of the Subdivision and implementing conditions or mitigating controls, and accordingly (iv) the Town Board has the greatest capacity for providing the most thorough environmental assessment of the proposed Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, this proposed action is a Type I Action, per 6 NYCRR 617.4 (b)(6)(i) and 617.4 (b)(9) for the purposes of conducting a coordinated environmental review pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

That the Town of Lansing Town Board does hereby declare itself Lead Agency for the coordinated environmental review for the action of subdivision; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing will be held on the 19th day of July, 2023, at 6:32 pm, to consider public input and comments upon such subdivision, and to hear all persons, at 29 Auburn Road, Lansing, NY, interested in the subject thereof, and to take such action thereon as is required or permitted by law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Lansing, Tompkins County, New York, is hereby authorized and directed to cause a Notice of Public Hearing to be published in the official newspaper of the Town of Lansing, and also to post a copy thereof on the Town signboard maintained by the Town Clerk, in accord with the law.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson _____, duly seconded by Councilperson _____, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Andra Benson –
Councilperson Bronwyn Losey –
Supervisor Edward LaVigne –

Councilperson Ruth Groff –
Councilperson Joseph Wetmore –

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on June 21, 2023.