

# **Agenda Item Summary**

MEETING DATE: July 29, 2024

SUBJECT: Continuance of Public Hearing on Proposed Code Amendments Related to

Renewable Energy Facilities to August 12, 2024

PRESENTED BY: Jason Bradford, AICP, Community Development Department Director

#### **SUMMARY**

The Town Board of Trustees adopted a twelve (12) month moratorium on renewable energy facility development applications on July 31, 2023, by adopting Ordinance No. 1043. The Ordinance tasks Town staff with establishing zoning and development regulations and standards for Renewable Energy Facilities (REFs) in accordance with goals set out in the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

In response to direction from the Town of Mead Board of Trustees ("Board"), Town staff has prepared amendments to the Land Use Code, establishing development standards and zoning for renewable energy production facilities, such as solar and wind energy (referred to generally as "REFs" or "facilities"). The proposed Land Use Code amendments include revisions to **Section 16-3-40** – **Use Regulations** and **Section 16-3-60** – **Accessory Uses**. The proposed Code amendments also include the establishment of **Chapter 16**, **Article XV** – **Development Standards for Renewable Energy Facilities** (collectively, the "Code Amendments"). Mead Municipal Code Section 2-7-20(4) provides that the Planning Commission shall hold a hearing on all proposed code amendments and provide a recommendation regarding same to the Board of Trustees. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Code Amendments at a special meeting on June 26, 2024, which hearing was continued to July 17, 2024.

In order to have time to make minor modifications to the proposed Code Amendments, consistent with direction by the Planning Commission, Staff is requesting that the public hearing before the Board of Trustees regarding the Code Amendments be **opened and continued** to August 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., with the continued public hearing to be held at Town Hall. A recommended motion follows below.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED

## Suggested Motion:

"I move to open and continue the public hearing regarding the Board's consideration of the proposed Code Amendments related to Renewable Energy Facilities to Monday, August 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at Town Hall."

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Notice of Public Hearing for the proposed Code Amendments