

**A RESOLUTION #2, RELATING TO INFORMATION ON POWER SUPPLY
FOR THE AMAZON DATA CENTER**

WHEREAS, Amazon Web Services ("Amazon") has submitted a Site Development Plan (SDP) for a data center on Blackwell Road;

WHEREAS, the SDP contains no information on how power lines will be brought to the site or where a new substation will be built for the Amazon data center;

WHEREAS, Amazon and Dominion agreed and announced publicly in the Fall of 2022 that power would be provided to the Blackwell site via underground distribution lines, buried along Falmouth Street, Walker Drive, and Blackwell Road, to be paid for by Amazon, at the time the Amazon Special Use Permit was approved on February 14, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrenton subsequently denied Dominion a permit for the Falmouth/Walker/Blackwell routing;

WHEREAS, Dominion then indicated in the summer of 2023 that it would work with Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) on a plan to use Route 29 right of way for the underground distribution line(s);

WHEREAS, at a meeting on 2/28/24, VDOT informed local citizens and the Chair of the Fauquier Board of Supervisors that Dominion has not pursued the Route 29 option since the fall of 2023; Dominion has not filed a request for resource sharing to start the process, and the Route 29 right of way is variable and may not physically be wide enough to accommodate a buried distribution line(s);

WHEREAS, Amazon and Dominion have not responded to questions or otherwise informed the Town or the public regarding electrical service routing and associated substation(s);

WHEREAS, the off-site location of electric power lines and substations are relevant to site development plan review because they potentially impact the community as in the same manner as traffic and roadway infrastructure;

WHEREAS, Amazon has redacted from the SDP information on electrical lines, transformers, and hook-ups on the Blackwell site itself;

WHEREAS, prior to any action being taken to approve the Amazon SDP, the elected officials of the Town and the public are entitled to complete information on off-site and on-site electrical supply, routing, and siting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- The Warrenton Town Council directs the Town Manager and staff to require information regarding the provision of electrical service to Amazon by Dominion be provided to the staff and the public, including the plan for line routing and substation location and on-site electrical information on transformers and switching stations, prior to any approval of the SDP.

ATTACHMENT: None

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Meeting:

Adopted:

For Information:

Mr. Eric Gagnon, Councilman, Ward 5

ATTEST: _____
Town Recorder