

ORDINANCE NO. 2022- 8

ORDINANCE REVISING THE COMMUNITY SOLAR PROJECT PROVISIONS  
OF THE METAMORA SOLAR ENERGY CODE

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has previously adopted a Solar Energy Code for regulating solar energy systems, including ground mounted and rooftop mounted solar panels, building integrated solar energy systems, and related components, in the Village of Metamora; and

**WHEREAS**, in the latter part of 2022, the State of Illinois passed the Illinois Climate and Equitable Jobs Act that modified and revised the parameters under which solar energy systems can be operated in the State, and such changes changed the permissible size of the community solar energy systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has determined that regulating solar energy systems in a manner that is consistent with the parameters established by the State as provided herein is in the best interests of the Village and promotes the public health, safety, comfort, and general welfare of the Village and its citizens;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, WOODFORD COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:**

**Section 1.** The recitals set forth above are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance by this reference.

**Section 2.** The definitions of "Commercial/Large Scale Solar farm" and "Community Solar Project" as set forth in Section 20 of Title 17, Chapter 58 (Solar Energy Code) of the Metamora Village Code are hereby amended to read as follows (additions are indicated by underline; deletions by ~~strikeout~~):

*Commercial/large scale solar farm* means a utility-scale, commercial facility that converts sunlight to electricity, whether by photovoltaics, concentrating solar thermal devices, or various experimental technologies for on-site or off-site use with the primary purpose of selling wholesale or retail generated electricity. A commercial/large scale solar farm shall include any solar-electric (photovoltaic) array with a nameplate capacity of exceeding five thousand (5,000) ~~four thousand (5,0004,000)~~ kilowatts AC ~~or more~~.

*Community solar project* means a solar-electric (photovoltaic) array with a nameplate capacity not exceeding four less than or equal to five thousand (5,0004,000) kilowatts AC that provides retail electric power (or financial proxy for retail power) to multiple households or businesses residing in or located off-site from the location of the solar elective array, provided that the project consists of no more than: (i) two (2) arrays on one (1) parcel such that neither array exceeds five thousand (5,000) ~~two thousand (2,000)~~ kilowatts AC; or (ii) one (1) array not

exceeding five thousand (5,000) ~~two thousand (2,000)~~ kilowatts AC on each of two (2) contiguous parcels.

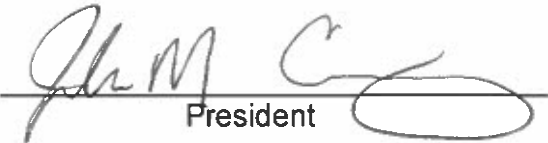
**Section 3.** This Ordinance is hereby ordered to be published in pamphlet form by the Metamora Village Clerk and said Clerk is ordered to keep at least three (3) copies hereof available for public inspection in the future and in accordance with the Illinois Municipal Code.

**Section 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby superseded and repealed by this ordinance, and any conflicts shall be governed by the ordinance.

**Section 5.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and ten (10) day period of publication in the manner provided by law.

**PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA AND APPROVED BY ITS PRESIDENT THIS 16 DAY OF August, 2022.**

APPROVED:

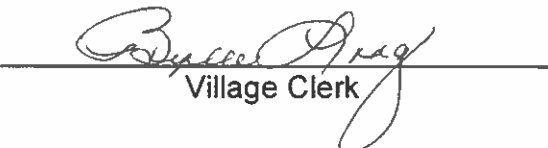
  
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President

ATTEST:

  
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Village Clerk

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Village of Metamora and that the foregoing Ordinance was published by me in pamphlet form this 16th day of August, 2022, by making three (3) copies thereof available on that date for public inspection.

  
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Village Clerk