

Northumberland County, Virginia

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Chapter 11, 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia as amended, that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on **Thursday**, **February 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** at the new Courthouse at 220 Judicial Place, Heathsville, VA, and telephonically in order to consider the following:

1) A revision to the Northumberland County Zoning Ordinance § 148-155, Solar Energy Facilities, to prohibit solar energy facilities in R-1, Residential General and R-2 Residential Waterfront zoned properties, require a solar siting agreement, an environmental impact statement, a landscape agreement and surety, reduce the time for revision of the decommissioning plan from every five years to every two years, and increase the time to decommission a solar energy facility from six to twelve months. The Planning Commission recommended that the Board consider keeping the revision of the decommissioning plan to five years, as they feel revising every two years is burdensome. Details regarding the changes to the solar energy facility section of the zoning ordinance can be found at <u>www.co.northumberland.va.us</u>.

All written comments should be received by the Office of Building and Zoning prior to the Board meeting. For further information concerning this request, contact Stuart McKenzie in the Office of Building & Zoning at the Courthouse in Heathsville, VA (580-7921 or email smckenzie@co.northumberland.va.us). Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting through electronic means (telephonic). The phone number, access code and password will be published on the County Website, www.co.northumberland.va.us at least 3 days prior to the meeting. If you are physically disabled, hearing or visually impaired and need assistance with this hearing, please call Stevie Conaway at (804) 580-8910 (Voice) or Via the Virginia Relay or TDD for assistance.

Northumberland County Board of Supervisors By: Stuart McKenzie, County Planner