

# **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENTION TO ENACT INTERIM ORDINANCE**

## **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:**

The Swift County Board of Commissioners is considering enacting an Interim Ordinance placing a moratorium on the development of large-scale wind and solar energy systems. A Public Hearing is being held on May 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room at the Swift County Courthouse, 301 14th St. No., Benson, MN to consider the following:

The intent of this Interim Ordinance would be to temporarily suspend the development of large-scale wind and solar energy systems, so the Board of Commissioner's and/or the Planning and Zoning Commission can reexamine the suitability of existing Ordinances in light of potential future development. The temporary pause on development will allow time to consult with legal and/or technical experts, review information on large-scale wind turbines and solar arrays, and revisit existing policy on wind and solar systems, such as decommission, setbacks, and size/scale. These issues are being raised by a number of individuals regarding large-scale development, which could have a significant impact upon the county roads, property values, and upon the health, safety, and welfare of Swift County residents.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at said place and time.

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Scott Collins, Director  
Swift County Environmental Services  
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