

_____ o'clock p.m. Chairperson _____ calls the special meeting of the Planning Commission to order.

1. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Buechler , Hilton , Koob , Mills , Muir , Oprita , Wurmlinger

ABSENT: Buechler , Hilton , Koob , Mills , Muir , Oprita , Wurmlinger

ALSO PRESENT:

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA: November 8, 2023**

Motion by _____, supported by _____, to approve the agenda as printed and posted or with additions/deletions/changes. Voice Vote, /

3. **PUBLIC HEARING**

Item 3-1: SPECIAL LAND USE FOR A PROPOSED LARGE PRINCIPAL-USE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM

APPLICANT: Portside Solar, LLC

REQUEST: Large Principal-Use Solar Energy System, per Ord. No. 226

PARCEL#: 74-20-006-1002-010, 74-20-006-2001-100, 74-20-006-2001-000, 74-20-008-1003-000, 74-20-006-4001-400, 74-20-006-4005-000, 74-20-006-4004-000,74-20-006-3012-000, 74-20-007-1001-000,74-20-007-1004-000,74-20-007-1003-000, 74-20-008-1002-000,74-20-008-1006-500,74-20-008-2013-000, 74-20-005-4003-000, 74-20-017-2001-001, 74-20-008-3001-000

PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT PRESENTATION: *Citizens will be given an opportunity to speak during the Public Comment segment following the applicant's presentation.*

MOTION BY _____, SUPPORTED BY _____, TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ITEM 3-1 AT _____ P.M. VOICE VOTE, / . MOTION CARRIED. PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

PUBLIC HEARING CITIZEN COMMENT:

To ensure that the comments are recorded as accurately as possible, please follow the format below:

- Complete a Citizen Comment Card and give to the Chairperson.
- Address the Planning Commission Chair only.
- When called, please stand at the podium; speak your name and address clearly for the record.
- Each person will be permitted to speak one time for three (3) minutes. Yielding time is not permitted.
- Each person has one opportunity to speak.
- The minutes will be transcribed from the recording. Please be respectful of the person speaking. Comments made inaudible on the recording by background sounds such as whispering, clapping, or interrupting cannot be made part of the official minutes.

Contacts/Communications/Correspondence:

MOTION BY _____, SUPPORTED BY _____, TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ITEM 3-1 AT _____ P.M. VOICE VOTE, / . MOTION CARRIED. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

BOARD DISCUSSION: *There is no further Public Comment; Board member only deliberations begin at this time.*

Motion by _____, supported by _____, to (postpone until _____/deny/approve/approve with conditions) the Special Land Use request for a proposed Large Principal-Use Solar Energy System from Portside Solar, LLC at 74-20-006-1002-010, 74-20-006-2001-100, 74-20-006-2001-000, 74-20-008-1003-000, 74-20-006-4001-400, 74-20-006-4005-000, 74-20-006-4004-000,74-20-006-3012-000, 74-20-007-1001-000,74-20-007-1004-000,74-20-007-1003-000, 74-20-008-1002-000,74-20-008-1006-500,74-20-008-2013-000, 74-20-005-4003-000, 74-20-017-2001-001, 74-20-008-3001-000, and based on the following reasons and conditions, if applicable:

Reasons for decision:

Conditions, if applicable:

Roll Call Vote _____/_____

****Action need only be taken on Item 4 if the special approval use is approved or approved with conditions. If no action on 4 is required, meeting will be adjourned.***

4. NEW BUSINESS: Action required only if item 3-1 is approved.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

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Item 4-1: SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR PROPOSED LARGE PRINCIPAL-USE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM

APPLICANT: Portside Solar, LLC

REQUEST: Large Principal-Use Solar Energy System, per Ord. No. 226

PARCEL#: 74-20-006-1002-010, 74-20-006-2001-100, 74-20-006-2001-000, 74-20-008-1003-000, 74-20-006-4001-400, 74-20-006-4005-000, 74-20-006-4004-000,74-20-006-3012-000, 74-20-007-1001-000,74-20-007-1004-000,74-20-007-1003-000, 74-20-008-1002-000,74-20-008-1006-500,74-20-008-2013-000, 74-20-005-4003-000, 74-20-017-2001-001, 74-20-008-3001-000

APPLICANT PRESENTATION:

BOARD DISCUSSION: *There is no further Public Comment; Board member only deliberations begin at this time.*

Motion by _____, supported by _____, to (postpone until _____/deny/approve/approve with conditions) the Site Plan for a proposed Large Principal-Use Solar Energy System from Portside Solar, LLC, at 74-20-006-1002-010, 74-20-006-2001-100, 74-20-006-2001-000, 74-20-008-1003-000, 74-20-006-4001-400, 74-20-006-4005-000, 74-20-006-4004-000,74-20-006-3012-000, 74-20-007-1001-000,74-20-007-1004-000,74-20-007-1003-000, 74-20-008-1002-000,74-20-008-1006-500,74-20-008-2013-000, 74-20-005-4003-000, 74-20-017-2001-001, 74-20-008-3001-000, based on the following reasons and conditions, if applicable:

Reasons for decision:

Conditions, if applicable:

Voice Vote _____/_____

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by _____, supported by _____, to adjourn. Vote, _____. Time, _____ PM



FORT GRATIOT PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

A Public Hearing will be held at a special meeting of the Fort Gratiot Charter Township Planning Commission for the purpose of reviewing a request from Portside Solar LLC, for special land use approval for a Proposed Large Principal-Use Solar Energy System, per Ord. No. 226, to hear comments and/or objections and to take action. Attendees will have three (3) minutes to address the Planning Commission during public comment. This is not a question and answer format, but anyone with questions is encouraged to forward those any time prior to the meeting so that they may be answered at the meeting during the presentation or Board Discussion. An official public notice was mailed to all property owners within 300' of the parcels below, any person who signed in with a mailing address at the 10/10/2023 meeting, emailed to any person who sent correspondence for Planning Commission review, and published in the Port Huron Times Herald on 10/18/2023. The agenda, proposal and updates can be viewed at the FGMC during regular business hours or online at fortgratiot.us, Minutes and Agendas, Planning Commission. Please continue to check the website for updates, or contact this office for assistance.

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 beginning at 6:00 P.M.
Blue Water Convention Center
800 Harker Street
Port Huron, Michigan 48060

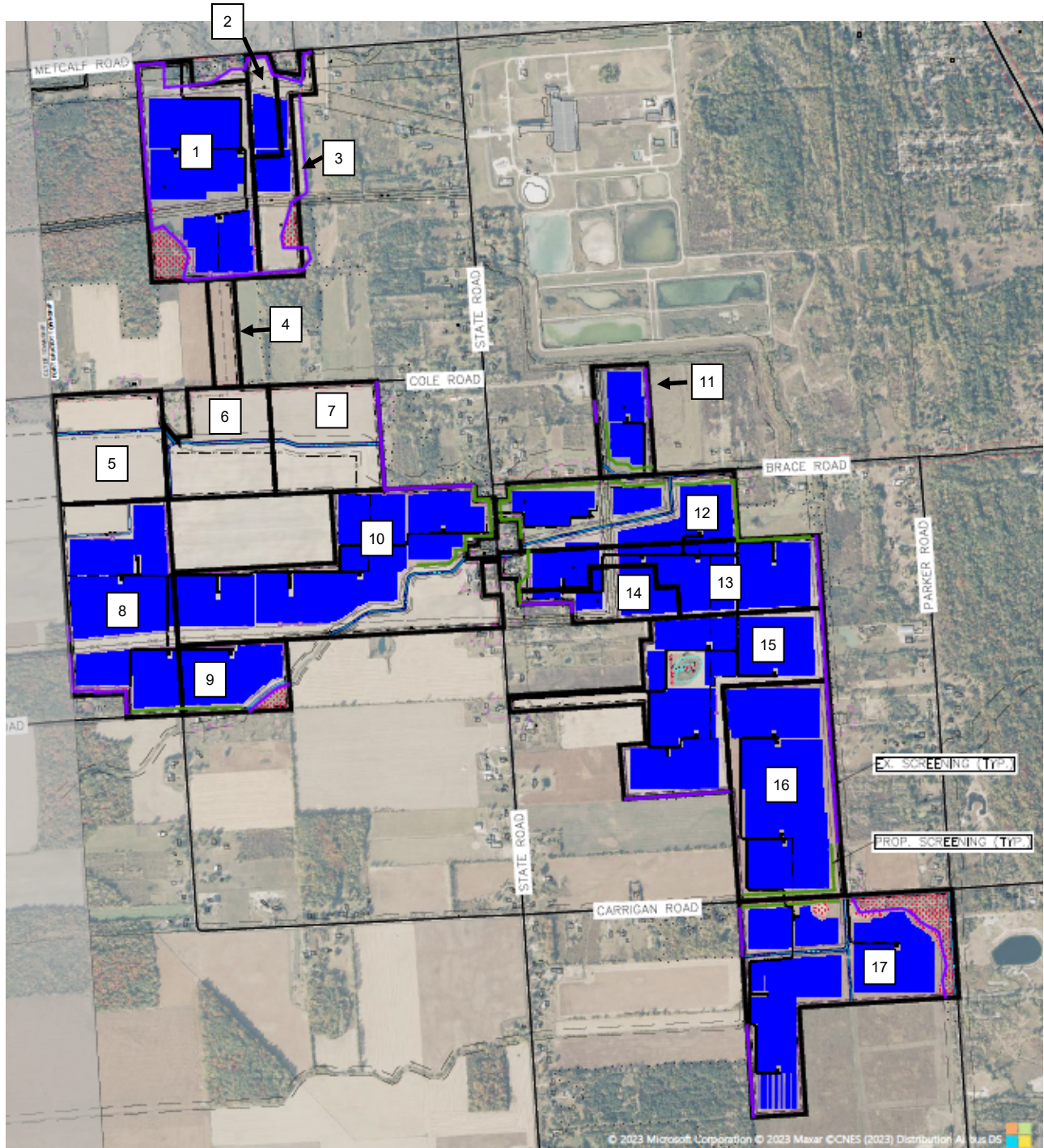
PROPERTY OWNER	PARCEL IDENTIFICATION	SITE ADDRESS	# ON MAP ATTACHED	PARCEL TOTAL ACRES	PANEL ACRES <i>Blue on Map</i>
Ted/Cynthia Furness 5404 State Road Fort Gratiot, MI 48059	20-005-4003-000	Brace Rd Vac	11	20	13.3
	20-007-1003-000	5397 State Rd	10	115.68	75.28
	20-008-1002-000	State Rd Vac	12	57.2	34.44
	20-008-1006-500	State Rd Vac	14	17.26	13.47
	20-008-2013-000	5404 State Rd	13	55.63	47.19
Lewis Land LLC 5082 North Road North Street, MI 48049	20-006-3012-000	Cole Rd Vac	7	40	0
	20-006-4004-000	Cole Rd Vac	6	35.79	0
	20-006-4005-000	Cole Rd Vac	5	40	0
	20-007-1001-000	Carrigan Rd Vac	8	76.7	56.39
	20-007-1004-000	Carrigan Rd Vac	9	26.66	19.29
James R. Palmateer 4417 Gratiot Avenue Fort Gratiot, MI 48059	20-006-1002-010	Metcalfe Rd Vac	1	77.471	51.61
	20-006-2001-000	Metcalfe Rd Vac	3	24.39	6.94
	20-006-2001-100	Metcalfe Rd Vac	2	10.25	5.98
	20-008-1003-000	State Rd Vac	15	87.538	68.58
Peters Brothers, LLC 2807 Stapleton Road Memphis, MI 48041	20-008-3001-000	Carrigan Rd Vac	16	80	65.96
	20-017-2001-001	Carrigan Rd Vac	17	99.67	68.86
James Reid 5729 Burtch Road Grant, MI 48032	20-006-4001-400	Cole Rd Vac	4	10.14	0
TOTALS:				874.379	527.29

Written comments will be received until 4:30 P.M. on November 8, 2023, by mail or building drop box at the Fort Gratiot Municipal Center, 3720 Keewahdin Road, Fort Gratiot, Michigan 48059, or by email at planning@fortgratiot.us.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact the Office of Community Development at planning@fortgratiot.us or by phone at (810) 385-4489 x1113, prior to the meeting date. If auxiliary aids or services are required at the meeting for individuals with disabilities, please contact Clerk Robert Buechler, 3720 Keewahdin Road, Fort Gratiot, Michigan 48059 (810) 385-4489, three days prior to meeting date.

* * * M A P O N R E V E R S E * * *

See Sheet 12 of Proposed Site Plan for detail and legend



- # Participating Parcels (See Location/Owner Chart on Reverse Page)
- Participating Parcels, Underground Collection Line Sites (4, 5, 6, and 7)
- Participating Parcels, Solar Array Maximum Available Placement Area (*last column on page 1*)
- Red Dotted Areas = Existing EGLE Regulated Wetlands
- Green Line = Proposed New Screening
- Purple Line = Existing Tree Lines