

January 8, 2021

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

RE: **PETITION NO. 1422** - Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.99-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at Mulnite Farms, Inc. off Barber Hill Road west of the intersection with Rockville Road, East Windsor, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

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I. Introduction

The petition is from Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.99-megawatt alternating current solar photovoltaic electric generating facility off Barber Hill Road west of the intersection with Rockville Road in East Windsor, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The petition conforms to the Council's guide for *Petition for a Declaratory Ruling for a Renewable Energy Facility* dated August 2016, includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed project, costs, and the environmental effects of the proposed construction. The petition meets statutory and regulatory technical requirements for processing the petition. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

All service and filing requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39 have been fulfilled.

IV. Procedural

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-176(e), within 60 days after receipt of a petition for a declaratory ruling, an agency in writing shall: (1) issue a declaratory ruling; (2) hold a public hearing on the matter; (3) decide to issue a declaratory ruling by a specified date; (4) decide to initiate regulation making proceedings; or (5) decide not to issue a declaratory ruling.

In response to a request for a public hearing on this petition, the Council voted to hold a public hearing during the Council meeting held on December 17, 2020. Staff recommends holding the public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on February 23, 2021 and depositing the transcript in the East Windsor Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: Michael Perrone

Enclosure: Schedule

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## SCHEDULE

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Petition received	07/20/20
Council request for more information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39a	07/29/20
Date Petitioner submitted complete information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39a	08/28/20
Council Interrogatories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set One Issued</li> <li>Set One Responses due</li> </ul>	09/21/20 10/05/20
<b>Council 60-day Action – Hold Public Hearing</b>	<b>12/17/20</b>
Pre-hearing teleconference (11:00 a.m.)	01/27/21
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	02/09/21
Deadline for Pre-filed testimony and responses to interrogatories	02/16/21
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	02/16/21
<b>Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment session via Zoom conferencing</b> <i>(refer to Hearing Information section on the Petition 1422 project webpage for Zoom conferencing log in/call in)</i>	<b>02/23/21</b>
Continued Public Hearing Session(s) <i>(if necessary)</i>	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	02/23/21
Close of Public Comment Record	03/25/21
Draft Findings of Fact	03/25/21
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	04/08/21
<b>Deadline for Decision</b>	<b>01/16/21</b>
<b>90-day extension of Deadline for Decision per Executive Order No. 7DDD</b>	<b>04/15/21</b>

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