
**VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE
BOARD REPORT**

TO: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: MATT ANASTASIA, FINANCE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION: SOLSTICE POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. ENDORSEMENT FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM
AGENDA: SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DATE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2022

ISSUE

Shall the Board approve a Resolution endorsing Solstice Energy for the Community Solar Program.

DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the Community Solar Program with Adam Hoover from NIMEC at the August 16, 2022 Board meeting. It was determined to sponsor Solstice Power Technologies, Inc. over MC2. The main decision was the credit of \$100 Solstice would give back to each resident who signs up, as well as the Village. Helping the residents put money back in their pocket is a focus of the Board, the Village will look at using the additional funds for more Green Energy projects throughout the Village as it does with the Civic Contribution from the Green Energy program from the aggregation program.

COST

There is no cost to sponsoring Solstice Power Technologies, Inc. for the Community Solar Program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Village Board approved Resolution 20220906G Endorsement for Community Solar Program.



RESOLUTION NO. 20220906G

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE ENCOURAGING RESIDENTS TO CONSIDER THE BENEFITS OF COMMUNITY SOLAR FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL RESIDENCE.

WHEREAS, the Village of Sugar Grove is not a home rule municipality within Article VII, Section 6A of the Illinois Constitution and, pursuant to the powers granted to it under 65 ILCS 511-1 et seq.; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 Future Energy Jobs Act created Illinois' Community Solar Program, and later amended by the 2021 Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA); and

WHEREAS, authorized Developers build regional solar farms and engage Suppliers to solicit residents. Participating residents commit to purchase certain percentage of the farm's output. Commonwealth Edison then credits the resident's electric bill for approximately 15%-20% of what they purchase, resulting in a reduction in the resident's ComEd bill; and

WHEREAS, the Community Solar Program is an Opt-In Program, compared to the Municipal Aggregation program (which is an Opt-Out program). Each resident will make their own individual decision to participate or not. Community Solar is not a municipal managed program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sugar Grove will endorse the program by including the Village's logo on the direct mail piece. The Village will approve any mailings to its residents in advance of the mailings. Should the Village choose to also support the program by newsletter or other methods, such support would be welcome; and

WHEREAS, the Supplier will notify the Village in advance and collaborate on any press releases, events, or new conferences concerning the Village campaign. All media produced by the Supplier in promotion of the Village campaign will be subject to Village's approval; and

WHEREAS, there is not cost to the Village to support the program. The Supplier agrees to cover all marketing and outreach expenses, including but not limited to: direct mail, social media advertising, tabling, and other event costs; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sugar Grove has selected Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) to serve as the Village's consultant to help manage the program. There is no compensation to be paid by the Village to NIMEC. The Village has a long standing and favorable relationship with NIMEC; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sugar Grove, Kane County, Illinois, as follows:

- Section 1.** That the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) has been appointed as the Village's consultant for purposes of managing the Village's Community Solar Program.
- Section 2.** That the Village has agreed to support a Community Solar Program project for residents within the Village who want to support solar energy without the need of installing solar panels on their property.
- Section 3.** The Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form, as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees in the Village of Sugar Grove, Kane County, Illinois, this 6th day of September, 2022.

Jennifer Konen, President of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Sugar Grove, Kane County, Illinois

ATTEST:

Alison Murphy, Village Clerk, Village of Sugar Grove

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Matthew Bonnie	___	___	___	___
Trustee Sean Herron	___	___	___	___
Trustee Heidi Lendi	___	___	___	___
Trustee Michael Schomas	___	___	___	___
Trustee Ryan Walter	___	___	___	___
Trustee James F. White	___	___	___	___