

Kittitas County Community Development Services

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

10/19/2010

ACTION REQUESTED:

Continued Public Hearing from October 5, 2010 to consider the proposed Teanaway Solar Reserve Development Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

On August 11, 2010, the Kittitas County Board of Adjustment (BOA) approved a Conditional Use Permit for the Teanaway Solar Reserve (TSR), a 477-acre solar farm on a 982-acre site on Cle Elum Ridge. As a condition of approval, the BOA required the applicant to enter into a Development Agreement (DA) with the County.

Subsequent to the BOA hearing, County staff and the applicant have revised the proposed DA that was included in the BOA public hearing record. The revisions reflect the decision of the BOA. Pursuant to KCC 15A.11, the DA specifies the commitments made by the County and the applicant for the purposes of ensuring that the TSR is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Code, and SEPA mitigation measures.

On September 21, 2010 conducted a public hearing to consider the Tanaway Solar Reserve Development Agreement. The Board continued the public hearing to October 5, 2010 for deliberation and Board decision. The Board after review of the record and deliberation passed a motion to approve the Teanaway Solar Reserve Development Agreement, the motion passed with a vote of 3 to 0.

INTERACTION:

Kittitas County CDS staff. Prosecutor's Office has reviewed final document prior to Board signature.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board sign the Development Agreement and Ordinance.

HANDLING:

Return signed Development Agreement and Ordinance to CDS Staff Planner.

LEAD STAFF:

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