# **Crook County Planning Commission Agenda**

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 PM

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## <u>Call to Order</u>

## **Continuation for Deliberations Only**

The Crook County Planning Commission held a public hearing on Modification **Request – TSR North Solar Farm LLC and Comprehensive Plan Amendment to** Document Goal 3 Exception. TSR North Solar Farm, LLC, Jacob Stephens, Manager -Record numbers 217-20-000581-PLNG (Conditional Use Permit Modification) and 217-20-000887-PLNG (Comprehensive Plan Amendment) at their March 17, 2021 meeting. At the end of the hearing, the Planning Commission closed the record and continued to a date and time certain of March 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm. The request is a modification to the existing conditional use permit for the TSR North Solar facility (217-19-000378-PLNG) expanding a commercial photovoltaic solar project from approximately 320 acres to approximately 585 acres. Commercial solar facilities are allowed as conditional uses under Crook County Code 18.16.020 and Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 215.283) and (ORS 215.446(3)) and are subject to review under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 660-033-130(38), Crook County Code 18.160 (Conditional Uses) and 18.161 (Commercial Power Generating Facilities). The Applicant is also requesting an exception to Statewide Planning Goal 3 (Agricultural Lands) for a commercial photovoltaic solar facility that uses, occupies, or covers more than 320 acres of nonarable lands, as required by Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 660-033 and OAR 660-004. The property is identified as Township 15 S, Range 15 E WM, tax lot 1223, owned by Ronald Raasch. The Goal 3 exception, if approved by the Planning Commission, will require an amendment to the Crook County Comprehensive Plan to document the Planning Commission's findings of fact and statement of reasons in support of the exception.

### **Other Business**

• Community Development Updates

### **Other Information**

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