

REPORT OF THE GENESEE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S PUBLIC HEARING OF OAK ORCHARD SOLAR 3, LLC ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2023 11:00 A.M. AT THE TOWN OF BATAVIA TOWN HALL, 3833 WEST MAIN STREET ROAD, BATAVIA, NEW YORK, GENESEE COUNTY, NEW YORK

I. ATTENDANCE

Chris Suozzi, VP of Business & Workforce Development – GCEDC
Lauren Casey, Finance Assistant – GCEDC

II. CALL TO ORDER

The public hearing of Oak Orchard Solar 3, LLC opened at 11:00 a.m. at the Batavia Town Hall, 3833 West Main Street Road, in Batavia, New York, Genesee County, New York.

A notice of this public hearing describing the project was published in the Batavia Daily News, a copy of which is attached and is an official part of this transcript.

III. PROJECT SUMMARY

Oak Orchard Solar 3 LLC is proposing to construct a community solar farm project on Route 98 in the Town of Batavia. The project will utilize ground-mounted solar panels to convert the sun's energy into 5 MW of AC power. The project will provide enhanced property tax payments via a 15-year PILOT that are significantly greater than the current agricultural-vacant land value of the project.

The project's PILOT will contribute \$4,000/MWAC + a 2% annual escalator in payments to Genesee County and Elba Central School District. The PILOT is estimated to generate \$345,868 in PILOT payments over the 15-year term. The project will also fund a community benefit agreement for workforce development and economic development projects in Genesee County.

The project is aligned with New York's aggressive goals for renewable energy, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reductions, and will offer customers a 10% discount vs average market rates for the generated power.

IV. COMMENTS

C. Suozzi began the public hearing by providing a summary of the above-outlined project. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit comments and feedback from the public regarding the proposed incentives for the above-outlined project. There were no written comments received ahead of time to be included with the written record.

There was no public comment.

V. ADJOURNMENT

As there were no other comments, the public hearing was closed at 11:10 a.m.