PRAIRIE RONDE TOWNSHIP

KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS AT OCTOBER 15, 2024 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRAIRIE RONDE, KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Prairie Ronde Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting on **October 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Prairie Ronde Township Hall located at 14050 South 6th Street. The items to be considered at this public hearing/meeting include, in brief, the following proposed amendments of the Prairie Ronde Township Zoning Ordinance intended to align the Zoning Ordinance with recent amendments of state statutes relating to Township zoning authority over the siting of certain types of energy facility land uses:

- 1. Section 2.2 (Definitions) is proposed to be amended to amend the existing definition of the term "Utility-Scale Solar Energy Electricity Generating Facility" to only apply to a facility with a designed full-load sustained generating output of less than 50 megawatts.
- 2. Section 2.2 (Definitions) is proposed to be amended to clarify the existing definition of the term "Essential Services" is not intended to include any electricity generating facility.
- 3. Section 2.2 (Definitions) is proposed to be amended to clarify the existing definition of the term "Public Utility Service Facilities" is not intended to include any electricity generating facility.

The tentative text of the above-referenced proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendment(s), and the existing Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Map, and Master Plan may be examined by contacting the Prairie Ronde Township Clerk and may also be examined at the hearing/meeting.

Written comments concerning the above matters may be mailed to the Prairie Ronde Township Clerk at the Prairie Ronde Township Hall at any time prior to this public hearing/meeting, and may also be submitted to the Planning Commission at the public hearing/meeting.

Prairie Ronde Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered, upon reasonable notice to the Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk as designated below.

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