

REQUEST FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ACTION

FROM: Patricia Williams
County Clerk

Date: February 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Special Exception – Morven Solar, LLC

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: A Special Exception request has been submitted by Morven Solar, LLC for a large-scale solar energy system in an Agricultural Zoned District consisting of 940.3 acres on a portion of 11 land parcels which includes five (5) land owners along Peach Road, Guess Road, Lawson Pond Road, and Valdosta Highway 133 east of Morven, GA. Planning Commission met January 19, 2023. Pine Gate Renewables, the Applicant, presented their proposed application for a Large-Scale Solar Energy System. Zoning Consultant made the recommendation for denial due to the inconsistency with the Comprehensive Plan, quantity of prime farmland that will be lost, the impacts on wetlands and wildlife, and the roads. 25 citizens spoke in favor, while 9 citizens spoke against the special exception request.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve/disapprove the request for a Special Exception for a large-scale solar energy system.

Action of Board

Motion to Approve _____

Motion to Deny _____

Motion to Table _____

Second to Motion _____

Abstain _____