NOBLE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Motion to Amend Noble County Commercial Solar Energy System Overlay District (CSES)
Ordinance Number 2021-26

WHEREAS, on /// 22, 2021 the Nöble County Board of Commissioners adopted Noble County Commercial Solar Energy System Overlay District (CSES) Ordinance Number 2021-26

WHEREAS, the Noble County Board of Commissioners desire to amend this ordinance so as to preserve farm land in Noble County.

WHEREAS, the Noble County Board of Commissioners desire to allow commercial solar energy facilities in the unincorporated areas of Noble County, but commensurate with preserving farm land.

IT IS MOVED, SECONDED AND UNANAMOUSLY agreed and recommended to the Noble Plan Commission that the Noble County Commercial Solar Energy System Overlay District (CSES) Ordinance Number 2021-26 be amended as follows:

The maximum amount of total real property in Noble County available to be consumed or used by operating commercial solar energy facilities should be set at Four Thousand Seven Hundred (4,700) Acres which number of acres was derived by considering various percentages (% s) of total cropland in Noble County as total cropland is set forth in the most recent 2017 USDA-National Agricultural Status Report. After said Four Thousand Seven Hundred (4,700) Acres have been consumed or used by operating commercial solar energy facilities in Noble County, any future commercial solar energy projects will not be allowed for one year. During this one-year moratorium, the Noble County Plan Commission and the Noble County Commissioners will review the Noble County Commercial Solar Energy System Overlay District (CSES) Ordinance Number 2021-26 for future needed amendments to the ordinance.

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