

Comments:

- The committee feels that this project would be better suited to a different area of the town. The proposed project would result in a direct loss of farmland; the hay field would become unusable. There is also a concern that the neighboring farmer could face liability charges if his farming activity somehow affects the solar arrays (dust, rocks, etc.)

MOTION: *“The Agriculture Advisory Committee recommends the Town of Canandaigua Planning Board find the proposed project DOES cause a loss of agricultural lands for the Town of Canandaigua.”*

CPN-20-082 2890 County Road 10 TM# 84.00-1-17.200 18 acres

Review based on:

- Application materials on file as of 12/03/2020
- Ontario County On-Cor maps
- Maps and Parcel Ranking data in the 2016 Agricultural Enhancement Plan
- Maps and Parcel Ranking data in the 2018 Open Space, Conservation, and Scenic Views Master Plan
- Town policies and maps incorporated in Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Planning documents adopted by Town Board.

Project Findings:

- The applicant is seeking to build a large-scale solar farm on the parcel.
- Parcel **IS NOT** located in Ontario County Ag District 1.
- Parcel is currently farmed? Unknown. There is no agricultural data statement in the application. The committee members believe that no farming activity has taken place on this parcel for a very long time but stated that there used to be horses on the property.
- Parcel **DID NOT** receive a rating from Ag Enhancement Plan.
- Property **DID** receive a rating from the Open Space Master Plan. It was rated low (under 1000 pts).
- Property **IS NOT** in the Padelford Brook Greenway
- Property **IS NOT** in the Strategic Farmland Protection Area
- Property **IS NOT** in the Strategic Forest Protection Area

Property Analysis

Type	Description	% Coverage	Acres
Ecological Community	Mowed Lawn	7.085%	1.3
Ecological Community	Successional Old Field	11.880%	2.1
Ecological Community	Floodplain Forest	3.425%	0.6
NRCS Soils	Odessa silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	16.2%	2.9
NRCS Soils	Collamer silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	65.8%	11.8
NRCS Soils	Lakemont silty clay loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	18.0%	3.2
Utilities - Electric	ROCHESTER GAS & ELECTRIC	100.0%	18.0
Utilities - Gas	NEW YORK STATE ELCTRIC & GAS	100.0%	18.0
Utilities - Telephone	Finger Lakes Technology Group	100.0%	18.0
Utilities - Telephone	Frontier Telephone of Rochester	100.0%	18.0
Watershed	Canandaigua Outlet	100.0%	18.0

Comments:

- The Committee believes that the proposed solar farm is well suited to this area of town, being that there are two others in close proximity to this parcel. The Committee feels that there does not appear to be any direct loss of farmland associated with this project nor would it have an impact on any nearby farms. The committee is aware that this parcel used to house a horse farm but state that it has not been utilized for any farming purposes for a very long time.

MOTION: *"The Agriculture Advisory Committee recommends the Town of Canandaigua Planning Board find the proposed project DOES NOT cause a loss of agricultural lands for the Town of Canandaigua."*

CPN-20-083 5444 Nott Road TM# 112.01-1-6.500 1.8 acres

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Project Findings:

- The applicant proposes to construct a house and garage on the currently vacant parcel.
- Parcel **IS** located in Ontario County Ag District 1.
- Parcel **IS NOT** currently farmed although there is active farmland nearby.
- Parcel **DID** receive a rating from Ag Enhancement Plan. Scored low on everything.
- Property **DID** receive a rating from the Open Space Master Plan. It was rated very low (under 1000 pts).
- Property **IS NOT** in the Padelford Brook Greenway
- Property **IS** in the Strategic Farmland Protection Area
- Property **IS NOT** in the Strategic Forest Protection Area