

TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that there will be a Public Hearing with regard to a certain Major Land Development Project known as Studley Solar Project submitted by Reivity EPC, LLC (the Palumbo Family) consisting of a 9.1 Mega Watt AC Solar Energy System located on Plat 8 Lot 7-1, Robert and Gary Studley property. The total land area is 98 acres and the project development could cover up to 31 acres. The property lies on the north side of Weaver Hill Road, behind house #193, at Pole 31. This project was originally granted a Final Approval on April 4, 2022; however, a new developer has proposed major changes to the design and plans. The project is subject to the provisions of Zoning Ordinance Article XXIII – Solar Energy Systems and Facilities in effect as of December 12, 2018.

The public hearing is scheduled for a Planning Board meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the West Greenwich Town Hall, 280 Victory Highway, West Greenwich, Rhode Island; the meeting will be held live and in-person.

The purpose of the Hearing is for discussion and/or action on a combined Master/ Preliminary Plan submission of a Unified Development Plan (UDP) application, Waivers from Checklist Items, and Dimensional Variances.

The application requests Dimensional Variances (Recently enacted State laws allow the Planning Board to consider and grant Variances):

- from section 3E.1.; requesting more than 6 feet of fill.
- from section 3E.2.ii; requesting the 200 foot setback of the solar facility (fence line), be reduced to 51 feet.
- from section 4.B.5.; requesting the 150 foot no-cut zone be reduced to up to 51 feet.
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Unified Plan Review – The major changes to the plans include new solar array segments along westerly and southeast sides of the property.

Waivers from checklist items for an Administrative Final.

Copies of the plans and application may be examined at the office of the Town Planner, Town Hall, 280 Victory Highway, West Greenwich, Rhode Island, Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays. The proposed project may be revised by the Planning Board as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the meeting.

The Town of West Greenwich will provide interpreter services for the hearing impaired provided a request is received by the Town Clerk's Office at (401)392-3800 x 100 three (3) business days prior to said meeting date.

**By order of the West Greenwich Planning Board
Thomas J. O'Loughlin, Chairman**