

Legislation Text

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# Land Lease of City-Owned Property at McDowell Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant

# <u>Action</u>:

- A. Adopt a resolution to approve a land lease agreement with McDowell Creek Solar LLC with a 20-year term for a solar facility to be located at the McDowell Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (parcel identification number 013-05-102),
- B. Authorize the City Manager to renew the lease for up to two, five-year terms, and
- C. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the lease.

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#### Explanation

- The McDowell Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant is located on 194 acres of city-owned property in the Town of Huntersville (adjacent to Council Districts 2 and 4).
- A portion of the site is not planned for or currently utilized for wastewater treatment plant operations and may be programmed to support other city priorities.
- McDowell Creek Solar LLC desires to lease a portion of the unutilized property for the development and operation of a solar energy conversion system and power generation facility.
- The completed project will represent the largest solar facility on any City of Charlotte owned property.
- The terms of the lease agreement are as follows:
  - 10.7 acres
    - 20-year term with two optional five-year renewals
    - Lease amount of \$1 per year
- Renewable Energy Credits from the farm will be purchased and used for Sustainable Energy Action Plan compliance, which supports the Strategic Energy Action Plan goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Public Notice was published in The Charlotte Observer on June 9, 2023.

# Charlotte Business INClusion

This is a real estate leasing and acquisition contract and is exempt (Part A: Appendix 1.27 of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy).

# Fiscal Note

Funding: Revenue from the lease will be deposited in the Charlotte Water Operating Budget. **Attachment(s)** 

# Map

Resolution