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## **RESOLUTION 2016 - 17**

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVING THE TAX BENEFITS APPLICATION OF GREEN MEADOW SOLAR, LLC FOR QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS (EQUIPMENT PURCHASES) TO PROPERTY LOCATED ON GREEN MEADOW ROAD, GEO CODES: 05-1994-23-1-01-01-0000 AND 05-1994-23-4-02-01-0000 IN LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA

**WHEREAS**, 15-24-1401, MCA, provides for special property tax applications for new or expanding business; and

WHEREAS, 15-6-225, MCA, provides for industry engages in the production of electrical energy in the amount of 1 megawatt or more by means of an alternative renewable energy source; and

WHEREAS, Lewis and Clark County has established a process, by resolution, for the use of the tax benefits described in 15-24-1401, MCA; and

WHEREAS, an application has been made for tax benefits for a new or expanding business, Green Meadow Solar, LLC, for property located on Green Meadow Road in Lewis and Clark County, Montana; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on April 5th for the purpose of taking public comment on the application and it appears to be in the best interests of Lewis and Clark County and the inhabitants thereof that said tax abatement application be granted.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY THAT:

**Section 1.** Lewis and Clark County hereby grants the tax benefits application of Green Meadow Solar, LLC for equipment used to install a qualifying solar facility that will produce 1 megawatt or more of electrical energy by means of an alternative renewable energy source as defined in MCA 15-6-225 on property located on Green Meadow Road- Geocodes: 05-1994-23-1-01-01-0000 and 05-1994-23-4-02-01-0000 for the increase in taxable value caused by the purchase of new machinery and equipment for its solar energy operations to be assessed for tax years 2017-2026, pursuant to the taxable value percentages outlined in 15-24-1402(1), MCA, as follows:

<u>Tax Year</u> 2017	<u>Taxable Percentage</u> 50% of taxable value
2018	50% of taxable value
2019	50% of taxable value
2020	50% of taxable value
2021	50% of taxable value
2022	60% of taxable value
2023	70% of taxable value
2024	80% of taxable value 90% of taxable value
2026	100% of taxable value

DATED this 4th day of April, 2016.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael Murray, Chairman

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