

**Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: 1X-1
Meeting Date: 2 Aug 2021**

TO: Mayor Angelo and Members of the Board of Trustees
FROM: Aaron Caplan, Director of Utilities & Engineering
DATE: 27 July 2021
ITEM: Ordinance 1106 1st Reading

ORDINANCE
 MOTION / RESOLUTION
 INFORMATION

- I. REQUEST OR ISSUE:** Installation of a solar generation and storage facility in Parks and Open Space Zoned property requires a vote of the Lyons registered electors. It is proposed to refer a question on the November Ballot on whether the text of the parks and open space zoning (POS) classification should be amended to allow for renewable energy production and battery storage uses on POS zoned property as a conditional use.
- II. RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEPS:** Pass the Ordinance as presented on first reading and schedule a public hearing.
- III. FISCAL IMPACTS:**
- IV. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The Board of Trustees previously approved a memorandum of understanding with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (“DOLA”) and the University of Colorado Denver Colorado Center for Community Development (“CU Denver”) to perform a feasibility study for a solar farm in Lyons. The primary location for the solar farm is recommended to be Southwest of the bike park in Bohn Park. This is zoned Parks and Open Space and putting a solar generation and storage facility at that location would require a vote of the registered electors of Lyons or the POS zoning district conditional uses could be amended to allow for renewable energy generation and battery storage facilities.
- V. LEGAL ISSUES:**
- VI. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** N/A
- VII. SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:** The Board of Trustees has the following options:
- (1) Pass the Ordinance on first reading, with or without amendments;
 - (2) Postpone a vote on first reading to a certain date; or
 - (3) Vote down the Ordinance on first reading.