

## **Exhibit 1 - Draft Factual Pro/Con Statement**

### **Ballot Measure 2G**

This November voters will be asked to consider whether the Town of Lyons will be permitted to construct a solar generation facility and battery storage facility on approximately one acre of the Bohn Park, southwest of the Bohn Park dirt jump park. Ordinance 959 of the Town, codified at Sec. 16-15-70 of the Lyons Municipal Code (“LMC”), provides that “[n]o ordinance revising the zoning of any portion of land currently zoned as Parks and Open Space District (POS) to any different zoning shall be effective unless and until the ordinance is referred to the registered electors of the Town at a regular or special election and such ordinance is approved by a majority of the registered electors voting thereon.” Ballot Measure 2G seeks the required voter approval for use of approximately one acre of Bohn Park for a solar generation facility and battery storage facility.

### **Reasons to Support**

A solar generation and battery storage facility would allow the Town to increase the amount of renewable energy it uses.

The facility would provide 5% of the Town’s energy needs from a local solar facility.

Constructing a facility to generate and store energy within the Town would increase the Town’s resiliency in the event the infrastructure bringing electricity to the Town was down. While the amount of energy that could be produced by the facility is small, it is enough to support some critical infrastructure for a limited period of time.

The proposed location is an underutilized space within Bohn Park. This location would be better utilized with a solar garden.

### **Reasons to Oppose**

Approximately one (1) acre of Bohn Park, southwest of the Bohn Park Dirt Jump Bike Park, would no longer be useable for recreational activities upon construction of the facility.

There is not much space for increased capacity at the Bohn Park location. Other locations may provide additional space for future expansion.

The project will have some expense to taxpayers. Even if all the grants and subsidies available for the \$1.7 Million project are successful, the Town will still need to provide approximately \$265,000 as matching funds.

The proposed location is one of the few buildable lots within the town of Lyons. It could be better utilized for other uses.