

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Concerning a Proposed Solar Farm Project in Unincorporated MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that a public hearing will be held by the County of Montgomery at the Historic Courthouse, Located at #1 Courthouse Square in Hillsboro, Illinois on **Monday, July 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM.** The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room on the second floor. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss a proposed solar project to construct, operate, and maintain the Atticus Solar, LLC, and Finch Solar, LLC, (the "Projects"), two 5 MWac commercial solar energy projects located on portions of two contiguous parcels, totaling approximately 80.6 acres on Route 127 in Hillsboro Township in unincorporated Montgomery County, Illinois (the "Parcel"). The Projects are planned for a footprint of up to 33.7 acres and up to 26.6 acres, respectively. The land for the Projects—identified by Parcel Identification Numbers 16-36-400-001 and 16-36-300-002—is currently in active agricultural use and will continue to support productive groundcover through the planned integration of pollinator-friendly vegetation. The parcels are owned by Daniel Chappellear, with whom the Applicant has executed a binding purchase option agreement. The site is bordered by farmland to the north, south, east, and west, and by Illinois State Route 127 to the west. Access to the site will be from Illinois State Route 127, an IDOT-maintained road. The application will be available for review in room 202 of the Historic Courthouse located at #1 Courthouse Square Hillsboro, Illinois. In said public hearing, all interested persons will be given the opportunity to present both written and oral comments and testimony regarding the Solar Farm/Garden Application.