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MEMORANDUM

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Christopher C. LaRue, Senior Planner

Date: September 25, 2017

Subject: Request to continue Case# RCU2017-00028, Kiowa Solar Project to October 17, 2017

Background

Kiowa Solar LLC is requesting a conditional use permit to allow a solar energy project in the Agriculture-3 (A-3) zone district. The property is located at the southeast corner of East 56th Avenue and Converse Road. The Planning Commission considered this case on September 14, 2017 and unanimously continued it to their September 28, 2017 meeting. The continuance was as a result of new information presented by neighboring property owners in opposition to the request and to provide ample time for the applicant to respond to the information. Specifically, the neighboring residents requested installation of adequate landscaping on the eastern perimeter of the proposed solar energy facility. This is to screen the solar panels from view of adjacent residents. The applicant has provided an updated screening plan for the Planning Commission and surrounding residents to consider.

Currently, the BoCC is scheduled to consider the subject conditional use permit on October 3rd. However, due to the continuance by the Planning Commission and outstanding unresolved issues, staff recommends that the BoCC continue hearing of the case to October 17th.

Recommended Action:

Staff is requesting the Board of County Commissioners continue the request for case # RCU2017-00028 to the Board's meeting on October 17, 2017. A full staff report shall be provided at the October 17th hearing.