



## TOQUERVILLE CITY RESOLUTION 2025.\_\_

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT WITHIN CITY LIMITS AND ENDORSING THE EXPLORATION OF POTENTIAL ROYALTIES AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, Toquerville City is committed to promoting sustainability, reducing emissions, and encouraging responsible development within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Toquerville General Plan recognizes the need for responsible economic development and growth of taxable property values within the City in order to fund necessary City expenditures and provide a good quality of life for Toquerville residents; and

WHEREAS, solar energy is a clean, renewable source of power that aligns with the City's environmental and economic goals; and

WHEREAS, the Browse Solar project has been proposed for development within the boundaries of the City, on property owned by private entities and by the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, approximately as shown on **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the development of a solar project within Toquerville presents an opportunity to utilize underused land, generate local employment, and attract investment in infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the proposed solar project may offer financial benefits to the City through a royalty or revenue-sharing agreement, which could support public services, infrastructure improvements, and community programs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed solar project may present future opportunities for the City to provide retail electric service to some or all of the areas within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the importance of responsible planning, community engagement, and environmental stewardship in the evaluation and development of such a project.

### RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of Toquerville City, Utah as follows:

1. The City Council hereby expresses its support for the exploration and development of the Browse Solar project within the City.
2. The City Council supports the pursuit of agreements that may include royalty payments or other financial arrangements that ensure direct benefit to the City and its residents.

3. The City Council affirms that this project should advance the City’s sustainability goals and economic development priorities, including job creation and infrastructure improvements and upgrades.
4. City staff is hereby directed to continue evaluating the feasibility, financial terms, regulatory requirements, and community impacts of the proposed Browse Solar project and to report back to the Council with recommendations and next steps.
5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of May 2025, based upon the following vote:

Councilmember:

Gary Chaves	AYE	____	NAY	____	ABSTAIN	____	ABSENT	____
John ‘Chuck’ Williams	AYE	____	NAY	____	ABSTAIN	____	ABSENT	____
Joey Campbell	AYE	____	NAY	____	ABSTAIN	____	ABSENT	____
Todd Sands	AYE	____	NAY	____	ABSTAIN	____	ABSENT	____
Wayner Olsen	AYE	____	NAY	____	ABSTAIN	____	ABSENT	____

TOQUERVILLE CITY  
A Utah Municipal Corporation

Attest:

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Justin Sip, Mayor

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Emily Teaters, City Recorder

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Date

**EXHIBIT A**  
Project Location

# PROPOSED POWER DISTRICT AREA

