

## The Township of Springfield

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ELECTRIC LAWN EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Dear Aaron:

At the September 11, 2023 meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Springfield Township, the Board reviewed your letter of September 5, 2023 setting forth recommendations for the installation of solar panels at the Police/Administration and Public Works buildings, and the purchase of electric lawn equipment.

The Board was not opposed to either recommendation and authorized the Environmental Advisory Commission to continue researching the feasibility and cost of retrofitting the existing municipal buildings for solar power. Some of the things that will need to be evaluated include, but are not limited to: roof load, compatibility with existing electrical service facilities, and architectural aesthetics. It was suggested that the EAC may wish to begin meeting with consultants who may offer a budget for any professional services that may be necessary in this regard.

With respect to the Township's landscaping equipment, the Township is committed to replacing any gasoline-powered equipment with comparable, commercial grade battery-powered equipment, to the extent such equipment is needed and readily available.

By way of copy of this letter, I am making Ian Hammer, Director of Public Works, aware of the Board's direction with respect to both recommendations discussed in this letter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or require additional information.

Very truly yours,

Michael Taylor Township Manager

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