

UPDATE:

Regional Operations and Communications (ROC) Facility

F&A Committee

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Overview



- <u>Purpose</u>
 - OStatus update and discussion of ROC Facility construction project.

- Agenda
 - **OTimeline**
 - **ONext Steps Construction**
 - **ONext Steps Solar Photovoltaic:**
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Timeline



- Design Award: Oct '21
- Design: Oct '21 to Jan '23
- Funding & Budgeting: Mar '22 to Nov '23
- Construction Solicitation: Jan '23 to Jun-Apr '24
- Solar PV Array Solicitation: Apr '24 to Aug '24 Out for Bid
- Building Construction: May '23 to Dec '24 Awarded
- Commissioning and Outfitting: Jan '25 to Jun '25
- Ribbon cutting: Jul '25



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Next Steps – Construction



- Permitting with Village of Libertyville
- Groundbreaking Ceremony:
 - Elected Officials (US, State, and County)
 - 1st Responders:
 - Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) Members
 - Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) Members
 - Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Members
 - Communications will be coordinating
 - Date TBD depending on permitting; June

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- Construction and Operations and Maintenance Costs:
 - Estimated Construction Cost: \$3.4M
 - Annual Operations and Maintenance: \$10K
- Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation (ICECF) Net Zero Energy Grant:
 - \$2M grant
 - Earned by Lake County with Net Zero Energy rating of building
 - Must own solar panels to qualify for Net Zero Energy rating
- Inflation Reduction Act:
 - Lake County is eligible for Solar Federal Tax Credit for up to 30% of installation costs
 - Private Developers also qualify for tax credit
- Renewable Energy Credits (REC):
 - Lake County owns RECs if we own solar panels
 - We must own RECs to qualify for ICECF Grant

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Options Considered:

- Lake County Purchase Outright:
 - Qualify for ICECF Grant and Solar Federal Tax Credit
 - Estimated overall cost to Lake County: \$500K
- Power Purchase Agreement:
 - Developer installs and operates Solar PV Array
 - County purchases generated power at specific rate over 15 or 20 years
 - County has option to purchase Solar PV Array in years 8 or 15
 - Cannot use ICECF grant
 - Do not own RECs
- Way forward: Purchase Outright



Questions