



# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 5, 2025

Re: Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Mutual Termination, Release and Quit Claim of Easement for electric transmission line with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC

## Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a mutual termination, release and quit claim of easement for an electric transmission line with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC. The easement was granted to allow Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC to construct a transmission line to connect their proposed solar array to the Bulk Electric System at the City's Bolstad substation. The easement is no longer required since Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC terminated the solar project and interconnection agreement with the City and Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO).

## Discussion

Council authorized the City Manager to execute a grant of easement for electric transmission line with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC on April 16, 2024. The proposed Boone Stephens solar generation project required a 60-foot wide easement through City property to accommodate the transmission line, see the Location Map.

On February 7, 2025, Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC terminated the Generator Connection Agreement for this proposed solar project. Therefore, the easement is no longer required. Attachment A to the Ordinance terminates the easement and quit claims the property back to the City.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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## Legislative History

Date	Action
10/07/2024	B228-24 Authorizing construction of one (1) new 69 kV bus at the Bolstad Substation to provide for generation interconnection to the Boone Stephens solar facility; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division or authorizing a contract for the work using a term and supply contractor.
09/03/2024	PH31-24 Proposed addition of one (1) new 69 kV bus at the Bolstad Substation to provide for generation interconnection to the Boone Stephens solar facility.
08/19/2024	R140-24 Setting a public hearing: proposed addition of one (1) new 69 kV bus at the Bolstad Substation to provide for generation interconnection to the Boone Stephens solar facility.
04/16/2024	B75-24 Authorizing a grant of easement for electric transmission line purposes to Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC for the construction of a transmission line across City-owned property to connect to the Bolstad Substation; directing the City Clerk to have the conveyance recorded.
04/16/2024	B74-24 Authorizing an agreement with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC and Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. for generator interconnection of the Boone Stephens solar facilities with the Bolstad Substation.
01/03/2022	B407-21 Authorizing a first amendment to the power purchase agreement with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC.
10/18/2021	B325-21 Authorizing an agreement for study services with Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. to provide an estimate of cost to allow the interconnection of the Boone Stephens solar facility with the City's electrical system at the Bolstad Substation.
11/18/2019	B337-19 Authorizing a power purchase agreement with Boone Stephens Solar I, LLC.

## Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance.