

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-09-CM
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF
TIPPECANOE COUNTY, INDIANA, NO. 97-51-CM

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT THE UNIFIED ZONING ORDINANCE, BEING A SEPARATE ORDINANCE AND NOT PART OF A UNIFIED COUNTY CODE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Change UZO Section 1-10-2 Words and Terms Defined to add the following definition:

Wind Farm Collection System is all the low-voltage wiring and cabling connecting any wind turbine with another wind turbine or to a place where voltage is stepped up, commonly known as a substation or switching station.

Section 2: Change UZO 1-10-2 Words and Terms Defined by changing the following definitions to read:

Small Wind System is a **WECS** that has a nameplate capacity (manufacturer's rating) less than or equal to 50 kilowatts per **wind tower**, and a **total height** of 140' or less, and a **swept area** of 40' or less.

Large Wind System is a **WECS** that has a nameplate capacity (manufacturer's rating) of more than 50 kilowatts per **wind tower**, or a **total height** of more than 140', or a **swept area** of more than 40'. Any **WECS** meeting one or more of these criteria shall be considered a **large wind system**.

WECS is the equipment that converts and then stores or transfers energy from the wind into usable forms of energy and includes any base, blade, foundation, generator, nacelle, rotor, **wind tower**, transformer, turbine, vane, **wind farm collection system**, or other component used in the system.

Section 3: Change UZO 4-1 (b) **Accessory Uses, Accessory Structures and Accessory Buildings** to allow **small wind systems** in commercial, industrial and rural zones only and to read:

(27) **small wind systems** (only in commercial, industrial and rural zones) as regulated in 4-11-11)

(28) **micro wind systems** (standard)

Section 4: Change UZO 4-1 (c) **Accessory Uses, Accessory Structures and Accessory Buildings** to allow **small wind systems** in commercial, industrial and rural zones only to read:

(25) **small wind systems** (only in commercial, industrial and rural zones) as regulated in 4-11-11)

(26) *micro wind systems* (standard)

Section 5: Change **UZO 4-11-11(16)** by removing the term **WECS** and replacing it with the term **Wind Farm Collection System** to read:

(16) All wiring for *wind farm collection systems* shall be buried.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

(Adopted And Passed) ~~(Denied)~~ by the Board Of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, this 7th day of April, 2008.

VOTE:

yes

yes

yes

Ruth E. Shedd

Ruth Shedd, President

John Knochel

John Knochel, Vice President

KD Benson

KD Benson, Member

ATTEST:

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