

Brandon Energy Committee

**RECOMMENDATION FOR MHG RENEWABLES SOLAR
PROJECT IN BRANDON**

- Thomas Hand of MHG Renewables is proposing a 2.2mW project for the west side of Elemental Properties 76 acre parcel on Steinberg Road.
- MHG has successfully installed a dozen larger scale solar projects in Vermont in the past five years consisting of 500kW and 2.2mW systems.
- The proposed project for Brandon will cover 15 acres of open field. (See map attached).
- MHG intends to enter a contract to purchase the property contingent on winning the standard offer competitive bid in mid-April to sell power to Vermont utilities. MHG has been highly successful in winning these competitive bids in the past.
- Before entering the contract they seek approval from the Select board of Brandon in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding.
- The Select board will act upon a recommendation from the Planning Commission for this project.
- Representing the Brandon Energy Committee, we are here to answer any questions and to request that you raise any concerns that need to be addressed. MHG is prepared to join a ZOOM call at the next Planning Commission meeting to answer any questions/concerns that we can not so that you can make a recommendation to the Select Board.
- We consider the project to have great merit for the Town as it:
 - > Is consistent with the Town's goals and State's goals to shift to renewables in the coming years.
 - > The project will generate roughly \$12,000 in additional property taxes on this site.