



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

**3B**  
Agenda Item #

**Requested Meeting Date:** March 24, 2026

**Title of Item:** American Peat Technology business expansion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only
<b>Submitted by:</b> Mark Jeffers	<b>Department:</b> Economic Development	
<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b> Mark Jeffers, Economic Development Coordinator		<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b> 10 minutes
<b>Summary of Issue:</b> Economic Development is requesting adoption of a Resolution regarding the support of a Job Creation Fund application in connection with American Peat Technology.		
<b>Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:</b>		
<b>Recommended Action/Motion:</b> Adopt Resolution of support for the Job Creation Fund application.		
<b>Financial Impact:</b> <i>Is there a cost associated with this request?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$</i> <i>Is this budgeted?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Please Explain:</i>		

**Resolution #20260324-xxx RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SUPPORT OF A JOB CREATION FUND APPLICATION IN CONNECTION WITH AMERICAN PEAT TECHNOLOGY**

**WHEREAS**, American Peat Technology, located in Aitkin County, Minnesota, is proposing a business expansion project that will result in capital investment and the creation of new full time employment opportunities; AND

**WHEREAS**, American Peat Technology intends to apply for assistance through the Minnesota Job Creation Fund administered by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development; AND

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project is expected to result in the creation of 10 new full-time jobs and approximately \$1.3 million in capital investment in Aitkin County;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners supports the application of American Peat Technology to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development for assistance through the Minnesota Job Creation Fund.; AND

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Aitkin County acknowledges the economic benefits of the proposed project and supports the company’s efforts to expand operations and create jobs within the County.

Adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2026 By The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners.

Attest:

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J. Mark Wedel  
County Board Chair

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David J. Minke, County Administrator  
Clerk to the County Board

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COUNTY OF AITKIN}**