

## Hanousek, Donna (DCOZ)

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Dear Ms. Hanousek,

I am in opposition to the proposed text amendments to Subtitles B, C, H, K, and U under Case 19-04.

- The original reasoning provided for the proposed change in zoning text is to allow for quick installation of solar farms/arrays, while only considering the yard and height development standards for each zone. However, this would exclude any input from neighbors in the immediate vicinity of the new community renewable energy facilities. This is a major change in the zoning process for the District residents. The Office of Planning is proposing to strip away the District resident's voice.
- The proposed change to the text will silence District residents' concerns on their largest investment - their homes. Long-time residents have invested years in maintaining and improving their homes. The home value could suddenly diminish with the installation of solar farm next door.
- The proposal to change the zoning process arose when District residents started raising objections to the installation of community renewable energy facility in close proximity of their homes. If the objections or concerns are not legitimate, then the proposed change in legal zoning process is not necessary. If the objections or concerns are legitimate, then the proposed changes will be detrimental to residents.
- Community renewable energy facilities appears to be a misnomer, as the communities where these facilities will be located in the District will likely receive no benefit from the facility only the potentially negative impacts.
- Most residents of the District are not aware of this proposed change in the zoning text or its implications. Is this text change setting a precedent on excluding neighboring residents from the zoning process?
- There is growing concern over how to handle solar panels at the end of their useful life. Is placing millions of discarded solar panels in the District's landfill feasible?

Thank you for the opportunity to provide some of my concerns to the proposed amendments to the zoning text.

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Dear Ms. Hanousek,

I am in opposition.  
Thank you.  
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On Fri, Mar 29, 2019 at 4:56 PM Hanousek, Donna (DCOZ) <[Donna.Hanousek@dc.gov](mailto:Donna.Hanousek@dc.gov)> wrote:

Please let me know whether you are in support, opposition, or undeclared.

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Dear Ms. Hanousek,

I would like to testify on Monday April 1st on CASE NO. 19-04 (Text Amendments to Subtitles B (§§ 100.2 & 200.2), C (§ 1500.5), H (§ 1103), K (§§ 410.3, 612.1, & 911.1), & U (§§ 201.1, 250.1, 600.1, & 801.1) (Community Renewable Energy Facility - CREF)) .

I will submit my written testimony this weekend. I will limit my testimony to 3 minutes.

Thank you.

Joyce Chandler

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