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As a DC resident, I am very concerned that the Office of Planning proposes to weaken protections for solar energy systems. It would not be fair to residents, such as myself, who have invested in solar believing the City was fully committed to protecting rooftop solar installations. I have just paid this month over \$33,500 to have the roof redone and solar panels installed. If I had known the City might pull back on protecting the installation, I would not have gone ahead with solar.

The City has an ambitious goal of being fully renewable by 2032. Removing any incentive, especially removing existing protections of rooftop solar, would not be compatible with that goal.

Finally, I oppose rules that would put RF zone rowhouse solar energy systems at risk under special exception language that is vague and imprecise. Any proposed regulatory language that allows construction to interfere with adjacent solar production should include a defined limit or else Sustainable DC Goals will be put at risk.

I also oppose removing U-320.2 (i), (j) and (k) protections for adjoining landowners against the adverse effects of converting a residential building to an apartment building.

Thankyou

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