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Zoning Commission:

Why is the Zoning Commission opening the door to huge ground-installed solar farms in DC? Under the proposal, solar developers will be able to put large solar farms nearly everywhere as a matter-of-right with no guarantee that benefits (e.g., reduced energy bills) will accrue to DC residents. Meanwhile the interests of DC residents will go unheard and unaddressed.

Ask the Office of Planning: Where in the proposal does it require DC households (low-income or otherwise) or DC small local businesses or DC non-profit organizations to benefit from so-called "Community" solar?

Why don't DOEE and OP focus on installing solar farms on the acres of sun-blasted rooftops in the Downtown zones? Or rooftops everywhere?

Given the city's expressed priority to create more affordable housing, is this the best use for fallow ground?

Please withdraw this proposal until these issues and good public engagement have been addressed.

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