



# **TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR**

FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSA

December 1, 2020

Melanie A. Bachman, Esq.  
Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
10 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: **Petition No. 1422 – Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.975-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at Mulnite Farms, Inc. off Barber Hill Road west of the intersection with Rockville Road, East Windsor, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.**

And

**Petition No. 1426 – East Windsor Solar One, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50K, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.9-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located west of the Ellington town boundary at 341 East Road, East Windsor, and associated electrical interconnection.**

Dear Attorney Bachman:

The Town of East Windsor respectfully requests that the Connecticut Siting Council consider holding a public hearing on Petition No. 1422. The Town is aware of several residents in close proximity who may have concerns with the project. The Town recognizes that conducting a public hearing is not required for this petition, but we do believe that the council would benefit from hearing from any concerned citizens prior to issuing a decision on the matter.

Similarly, the Town requests that the Siting Council hold a public hearing on Petition No. 1426. In this case, the Town acknowledges that the applicant has made good faith efforts to reach out to all abutting property owners. We do have concerns that property owners in a newly developed subdivision within eyesight of the proposed project location may not have been made aware of the project. This is likely to produce understandable consternation among the new residents on Jessie Lane who have recently purchased their homes. A copy of the Town's GIS map is attached. The new subdivision is less than 500 feet from the proposed project site.

In both petitions, the Town believes the public interest would be best served by conducting a public hearing. The signage and notification associated with that would at least provide an additional



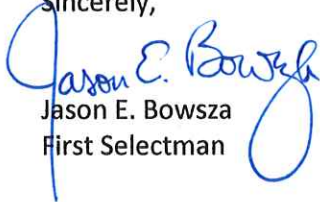
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opportunity for residents to raise their concerns about each project, and for the Siting Council to incorporate those concerns into any subsequent conditions of approval.

Neither petitioner has established a tax stabilization agreement with the Town, which would provide the Town with an opportunity to address local concerns as part of a global agreement. A public hearing on each petition would provide an additional opportunity for concerns of the Town or our residents to be heard.

Sincerely,

  
Jason E. Bowsza  
First Selectman

# Petition No. 1426 location

Jessie Lane subdivision



Proposed project site



- Source: Town of East Windsor GIS