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**Subject:** Re: Public hearing for petition 14525

Good afternoon, Mr. O'Sullivan.

Thank you for your e-mail.

As indicated in the public hearing notice, notice of the public hearing was provided pursuant to CT General Statutes Section 16-50m and Executive Order 7B: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3\\_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions\\_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17\\_2020/PE1425\\_HNOTICEremote-final.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17_2020/PE1425_HNOTICEremote-final.pdf)

On March 14, 2020, Governor Lamont issued Executive Order 7B ordering suspension of in-person open meeting requirements of all public agencies under the Freedom of Information Act. Public hearings are defined as "meetings." The Executive order allows public agencies to hold remote meetings provided that:

1. The public has the ability to view or listen to each meeting or proceeding in real-time, by telephone, video, or other technology;
2. Any such meeting or proceeding is recorded or transcribed and such recording or transcript shall be posted on the agency's website within seven (7) days of the meeting or proceeding;
3. The required notice and agenda for each meeting or proceeding is posted on the agency's website and shall include information on how the meeting will be conducted and how the public can access it;
4. Any materials relevant to matters on the agenda shall be submitted to the agency and posted on the agency's website for public inspection prior to, during and after the meeting; and
5. All speakers taking part in any such meeting shall clearly state their name and title before speaking on each occasion they speak.

The Siting Council designed its remote public hearing process in compliance with the requirements of Executive Order 7B. The notice of constitutional dimension is the publication of notice in the newspaper. The letter referenced in the statute is not required to be sent via certified mail. It is a supplement to the public notice required to be published in 10-point bold-faced font in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the proposed facility. The public hearing notice was published in the New Haven Register on October 2, 2020. The record of the proposed project has been available on our website since the petition was submitted to the

Siting Council on August 7, 2020. The hearing notice and information on how the hearing will be conducted and how the public can access the hearing has been posted on our website since September 29, 2020.

## HEARING INFORMATION

[Pre-Hearing Teleconference Memorandum, 10/01/20](#) 

[Remote Hearing Procedures Memorandum, 10/08/20](#) 

[November 17, 2020 Hearing Documents, 09/29/20](#) 

[1. Instructions for Public Access to Remote Public Hearing](#) 

[2. Public Hearing Notice](#) 

[3. Hearing Program](#) 

[4. Citizens Guide to Siting Council Procedures](#)  ; and

[5. Proposed Facility Site Plan](#) 

Written comments may be submitted at any time up to 30 days after the evidentiary record closes. Please feel free to submit them at your convenience.

Thank you.

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Dear Attorney Bachman,

I would like to request a new public hearing date for petition 1425. I believe that as an abutting property owner that my wife and I should have received a letter with the meeting notice and requirements. Neither of us or nor any of the other abutting property owners have received a notice by mail.

I refer to this section in our state law that I believe covers this provision and that under section 16-50/ applies to abutting property owners:

section 16-50m

(c) The council shall cause notices of the date and location of each hearing to be mailed, within one week of the fixing of the date and location, to the applicant and each person entitled under section 16-50l to receive a copy of the application or resolution. The general notice to the public shall be published in not less than ten point, boldface type.

Thank you for your consideration in this in matter.

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Thank you very much for your timely response. I do appreciate it.

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Good afternoon, Mr. O'Sullivan.

I'm sorry for the inconvenience, but the sign is not required by statute like the publication of the hearing notice. The hearing notice is required to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the project is proposed and to include the Zoom instructions for public access to the hearing. We require the project proponent to install a 6-foot by 4-foot sign by regulation for the convenience of the public. As you can see from the Zoom instructions in the public hearing notice, a link to which is below, they are lengthy and we did not require them to be printed on the sign for that reason since the sign directs the reader to our website where there is a link to the public hearing notice and Zoom instructions, and a direct link to join the upcoming public hearing in the public hearing notice and the Zoom instructions.

Here is the link to the public hearing notice: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3\\_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions\\_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17\\_2020/PE1425\\_HNOTICERemote-final.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17_2020/PE1425_HNOTICERemote-final.pdf)

Here is the link to the Zoom Instructions: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3\\_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions\\_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17\\_2020/PE1425-20201117-zoominstructions.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/3_Petitions-medialibrary/Petitions_MediaLibrary/MediaPetitionNos1421-1430/PE1425/Hearing/Nov17_2020/PE1425-20201117-zoominstructions.pdf)

These documents were issued by the Siting Council on September 29, 2020.

The sign complies with the regulation and the location where the Siting Council requested it be installed by the petitioner as discussed during the pre-hearing teleconference, as follows:

4. Pursuant to Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, at least ten business days prior to the public hearing, the petitioner shall erect and maintain, in a legible condition, a sign not less than six feet by four feet at the proposed permanent access drive off Gaylord Mountain Road where the proposed facility is to be located. The sign shall set forth the name of the petitioner, the type of facility, the remote public hearing date, and contact information for the Council (Web site and phone number). The sign shall not be removed from the site until after the commencement of the evening public comment session.

We are sorry for the inconvenience, but the logistics of a remote public comment session do not facilitate orderly sign ups to speak unless they are provided in advance. You and any other interested person is welcome to submit written comments at any time before the first hearing and up to 30 days after the last hearing held on the matter.

Thank you.

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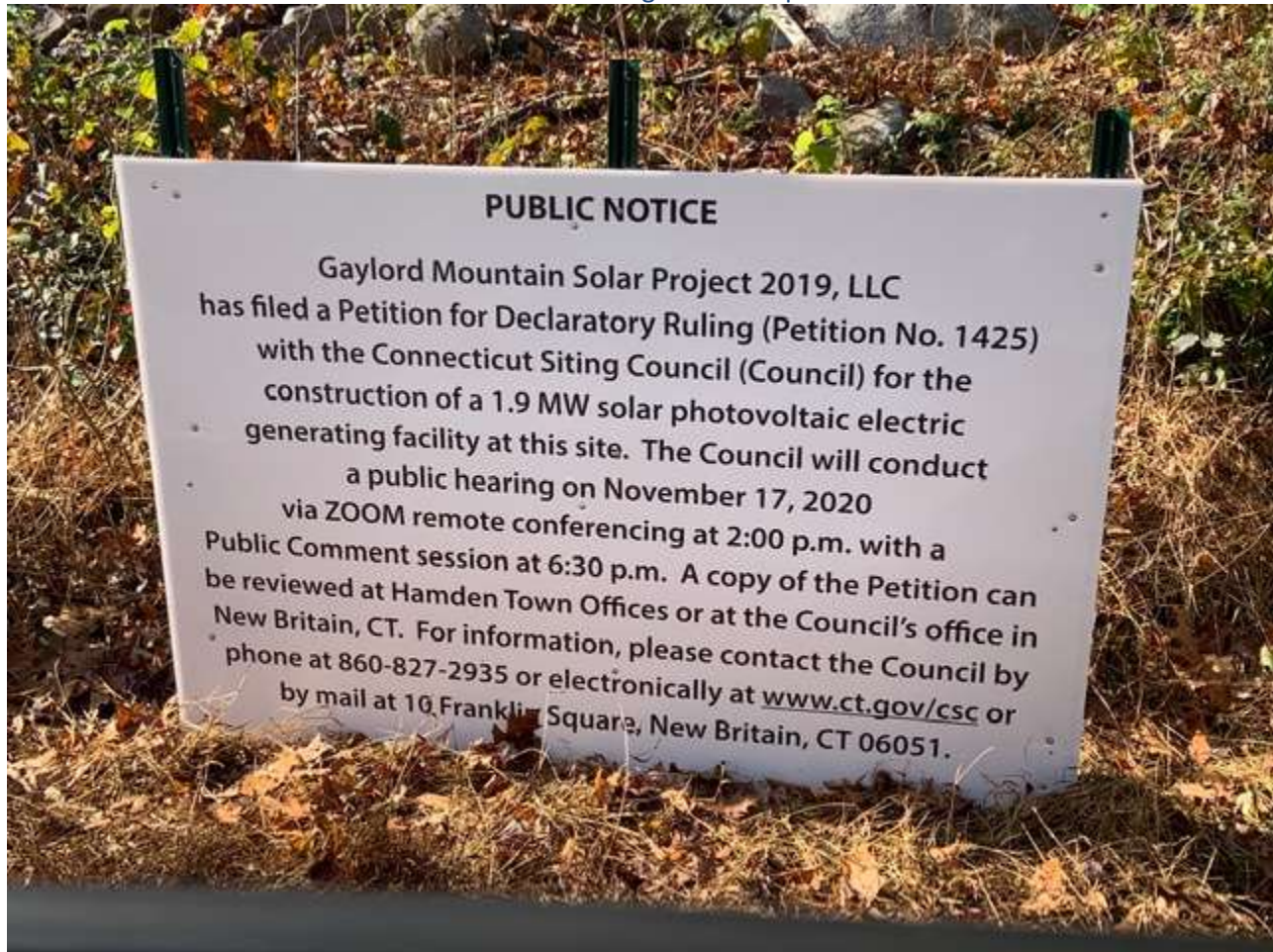
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Dear Attorney Bachman,

Should the deadline date have been included in this sign that was posted at the site?



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Good morning, Mr. O'Sullivan.

Thank you for your e-mail. Unfortunately, due to the remote nature of the Zoom platform as opposed to an in-person public comment session where interested persons may physically sign up to speak on the day of the hearing, and in accordance with the instructions for public access

to the remote public comment hearing that were published in the hearing notice for this matter, we cannot accommodate an extension of the registration period to sign up to speak.

Please feel free to submit written comments at your convenience.

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Dear Commissioners,

I would like to request an extension of the registration period to be able to speak at the Zoom meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup> for petition 1425. Most of the people in our neighborhood were not aware of the cutoff date to be able to speak at the public session.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

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Shawn,  
The deadline to sign up to speak was November 10, 2020. Please feel free to submit written comments at your convenience. Thank you.

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Dear Commissioners

Please add me to the Public Hearing Zoom meeting for petition 1425

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Thank you,

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