

April 19, 2024

To the CT Siting Council Members

At present, the Connecticut General Assembly is considering a substitute for Raised H.B. No. 5453 - An Act Concerning the Membership and Process of the Connecticut Siting Council. The changes proposed may impact the processes of the Siting Council. We ask you to consider a pause on a decision on the Solar Energy Generating Facility in Windsor until the Bill is voted on or the end of session on May 8, 2024.

The proposed changes may have significant impact on sites currently under review with the council like PETITION NO. 1598 – Windsor Solar One, LLC's petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 3.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 445 River Street, Windsor, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

We recognize the need for a generalized process across municipalities vs multiple differing processes. We appreciate the Siting Councils efforts to ensure a fair process. If the Bill is enacted into law, we ask that you review PETITION NO. 1598 and apply any new guidelines to the declaratory ruling.

We all want to safeguard transparency and representation for Windsor and Connecticut's citizens. Please consider our request to pause the ruling on PETITION NO. 1598 and request inclusion of any new processes should new legislation pass.

Respectfully,

Mayor Nuchette Black-Burke & the Windsor Town Council