

From: [Frank Martin](#)
To: [City Council](#); [City Manager](#); [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Solar Panel Fee Penalty - Item not on the agenda for next meeting
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Dear council members and staff:

The previous city council passed a natural gas ban by a 3-2 vote. Neysa Fligor voted YES while Lynette Lee Eng and Anita Enander voted NO. Strong opposition failed to win the day. In my opinion a better way to reduce global warming gasses would be to encourage solar panel use by homeowners.

Since that vote I installed solar panels that eliminated my small \$1,200 annual electricity bill by using an annual rent to own 4 kw panel system for \$780 annually. A better way to do my part I thought.

Now Governor Newsom has an order sitting on his desk to impose an annual flat fee of \$684 to every solar panel homeowner and also reduce the amount pays homeowners for their power that is generated.

These changes will make me pay more for electricity than if I did not have solar power! How dumb is that?

I urge you to contact Newsom and demand that he veto this PGE grab of our wallets. If not, I can only assume we will see a reduction in new solar panel use by homeowners.

Sincerely,
Frank Martin
Sent from my iPhone