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Subject: [External] I support solar in Wauwatosa
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Dear Chair Lowe and members of the Community Affairs Committee,

I am writing in support of the Grow Solar group buy program and other incentives for solar in Wauwatosa.

As a participant in the 2017 Grow Solar group purchase, I experienced the benefits of solar and of the group buy process firsthand. The education sessions put on by Grow Solar, plus their selection of a qualified vendor, gave me confidence in estimates we received for our system. We ended up going with the group-buy vendor and receiving a rebate from the program. The panels produced just as much as expected and save more money every time We Energies raises electric rates.

If our City is going to meet our energy goals we need as much local, renewable production as possible (energy resolution: http://wauwatosacitywi.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=&MeetingID=3332&MediaPosition=&ID=8457&CssClass). Residential rooftops are otherwise unused and are ideal for generating clean power right where it is needed.

Wauwatosa is already a Solsmart Gold designee (<https://solsmart.org/designee/wauwatosa>). I hope the Council will support our continued leadership in this important area.

Sincerely,
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