

Organizations & Community Leaders in Support of Streamlined Solar for the People of LA County and Orange County

Dear Mayors, City Council Members, and County Supervisors:

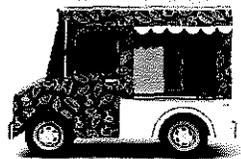
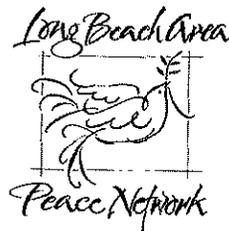
On behalf of my organization, I write to express our strong support for the City Council to pass a resolution to adopt SolarAPP+, which will allow for the increased and rapid installation of rooftop solar systems and solar batteries. Installing solar panels and solar batteries protects the environment, reduces electricity bills, helps keep the lights on during extreme weather events, and spurs local economic development.

SolarAPP+ (Solar Automated Permitting Platform) is software that automates and standardizes the process for issuing permits for common residential rooftop solar systems and solar batteries. SolarAPP+ was developed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in collaboration with building safety and industry stakeholders. It is free for all permitting offices and easy to use. SolarAPP+ asks the contractor a series of questions to verify the solar system's design is up to code, and then issues a permit automatically for installation to begin. The California Energy Commission launched a program in June, 2022, that provides incentives to municipalities to adopt SolarAPP+.

By adopting SolarAPP+, homes can go solar faster and the cost of solar can be lowered by thousands of dollars, resulting in more homes making the investment.

For these reasons, we hope you will adopt SolarAPP+ as soon as possible.

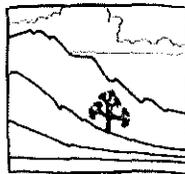
Thank you,



Long Beach Community Table
*Growing Sustainable Community
with Compassion and Dignity*

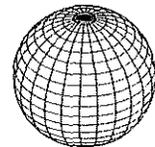
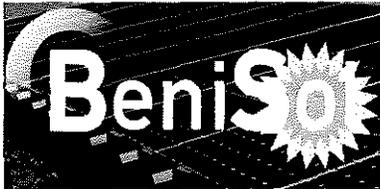


Western
Watersheds
Project



Basin and Range Watch





Long Beach and Orange County Signers to Date:

Long Beach Gray Panthers	Karen Reside, President
Long Beach Community Table	Kristen Cox, Executive Director
Long Beach Area Peace Network	Marshall Blesofsky, Steering Committee Chair
Western Watersheds Project	Laura Cunningham, California Director
Basin and Range Watch	Kevin Emmerich, Co-founder
Center for Biological Diversity	Gaby Sarri-Tobar, Energy Justice Campaigner
Interstate Renewable Energy Council	Larry Sherwood, CEO
Environment California	Laura Deehan, State Director
Surfrider Foundation	Pete Stauffer, Ocean Protection Manager
California Climate Voters	Micah Perlin, Director
Let's Green CA!	Heidi Harmon, Senior Public Affairs Director
Oil and Gas Action Network	Matt, Leonard Director
Center For Community Energy	Jose Torre-Bueno, Executive Director
UU Church of Palo Alto	Bill Hilton, Co-Chair, Green Sanctuary Committee
BeniSol, LLC	Sven Thesen, Founder
Small World Strategy	Steve, Askin Founder and Research Director
Axis Solar Design	Robert Price, Owner
Solar Energy Partners	Dan Herman, Assistant District Manager (OC)
SoCal Studios	Dan Herman, Consultant
Maximum Solar Properties	Tanya Neustice, Owner
AWS Solar	Frank Muntean, Project Manager
Sunrun (Greater LA)	Eric Curtis, Permit Manager
Sunrun (Southern CA)	Brandon Dreessen, Regional Permit Manager
Citizens' Climate Lobby OC Central Chapter	Tomas Castro, Group Leader
Democratic Club of West Orange County	Eric Lever, Vice-president
OC Climate Coalition	Vista Shakiba, Dr.

*Additional signers in Antelope Valley are also available upon request

Streamlined Solar Petition

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Please do everything in your power to make it easier for residents to install rooftop solar panels and batteries. One simple way to do this is to streamline the process for getting a solar permit from the city. When San Jose did this a few years ago, solar adoptions increased six-fold.

Last year, the federal Department of Energy released free software called "SolarAPP+", which automates permitting for solar on homes. Cities that use SolarAPP+ help their residents install solar faster and for less money, while still ensuring that the solar project meets building codes.

Please help make solar energy more accessible for everyday people in our city by adopting SolarAPP+!

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Suggestion for Amended Recommended Action:

Request the City Manager to work with the Development Services Department to prepare a report with presentation on the City's solar installation, permitting, and inspection process and report back to City Council within 30 days. The report shall include options for how to streamline and automate the process, and shall include Solar Automated Permitting Platform (SolarAPP+) in that consideration as a free-to-use system designed by the federal Department of Energy in partnership with the nation's leading building safety organizations given that grant funding is available through the California Automated Permit Processing (CalAPP) Program to cover the cost of adoption on a first-come, first-served basis.