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Comments in writing: I support this motion, in support of solar panel installation on Winnipeg homes. Modern solar panels make twice as much power per square meter as those made 10 years ago.

Building on this motion, it would be useful for staff to document the actual cost to the city of issuing a permit for a solar panel installation at a city home. Knowing this would help with decisions at Council on reducing the cost of issuing such permits. We might decide to heavily subsidize such new solar panel installations. In that way city hall can partly offset the carbon cost of some of its arbitrary interference with traffic flow. While staff reassure council that every city action has no carbon cost, this is not true. Every pointless 4 way stop and speed bump costs drivers with fuel wasted. Supporting new solar panel installations would offset this. Knowing the actual labour cost of issuing a permit, and inspecting the installation will be key to making rational decisions on the streamlining that is called for in this motion, and to setting prices for such permits.
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