

EXHIBIT A

VARIATIONS:

The Applicant requests a variation to Section 154.70(A)(2)(b.) of the Schaumburg Code of Ordinances (the “Applicable Code Provision”) to allow for energy produced through the Applicant’s proposed Solar Energy System (the “Project”) to be delivered to the power grid regardless if said energy production offsets the cost of energy on the site where the Applicant’s Solar Energy System is located (the “Proposed Variation”).

The Applicable Code Provision provides that: “Energy produced through the Solar Energy System shall be utilized on-site; however, the energy output may be delivered to a power grid to offset the cost of energy on-site.”

Here, the Project is a “Community Solar Project,” meaning that the energy produced through the Project will be supplied to the power grid directly and members of the public can subscribe to the program and receive credits on their electricity bills. While some energy may be consumed on-site by the property owner, and the owner may subscribe to the Project and use credits to offset its energy costs, the primary purpose is to deliver power directly to the grid rather than using the energy on-site. Therefore, the Project will not comply with the Applicable Code Provision.

Approving the Proposed Variation will increase renewable energy production, aligning with Schaumburg’s commitment to sustainability and environmental goals as outlined in its Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Green Energy Plan. The Green Energy Plan specifically aims to ‘Evaluate Village of Schaumburg policies and ordinances to support and encourage the use of renewable energy technology.’ This project will contribute more renewable energy to the grid and provide a program for subscribers to buy renewable energy, allowing businesses and residents in the community to benefit from increased access to renewable energy.

While subscribers to this project, like all Community Solar Projects, may come from outside Schaumburg, approval will encourage local residents and business to use more renewable energy by making it more readily available in Schaumburg. Additionally, the project will be constructed on the rooftop of a storage facility, making effective use of otherwise unused space and ensures the project remains minimally visible and does not negatively impact the community.