

I live in an HOA. My address is 867 Nine Mile Cove N in Hopkins. I had a solar company come out and do an estimate and found my home is perfect for solar. There are no big trees in the way and the roof faces south. And there is quite a nice rebate from Minnesota so the time is right.

However, when I asked the president of the board of the HOA if solar is allowed, he refused to talk about Solar. He wouldn't put it on the agenda of the board meeting. I was told that the "Rule" is "no solar". We have Bylaws and we have Rules. It is written "Solar panels are to permitted." in the Rules. I asked (via email) what the procedure would be to change the rule. He replied - it's the rule. And I replied, but what is the procedure for changing the rule?. He didn't respond.

I asked an attorney neighbor to talk to him, and my neighbor came back and said they would need "standards". But I don't know anything about standards and the company that I originally contacted to give me an estimate has not responded to my emails nor texts, so I don't know if they are legitimate. I would think that one would just want to put the most up to date panels on one's roof. Since I wasn't sure how to proceed, I haven't done anything else.

It seems like it should be illegal for my HOA to tell me that I can't have solar. If they ever change the rule, will the rebate still be available? Solar panels initially were unattractive, but today, solar panels blend right into the roof. I hope you can do something Amanda. Thanks. Good luck.

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