# SUNSHARE BOCC HEARING: CZ24-001 LOWRY REZONE



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# **OVERVIEW**

- Parcel owned by Lowry Environmental Protection Cleanup Trust Fund
  - Serves as buffer parcel to the Lowry Landfill
- 1 of 5 properties owned by the trust
   All serve as buffer properties
- Buffer parcels have historically been used for dry farming or grazing
- The change in zoning of Parcel 2073-01-1-00-009 would match the A1 designation of other buffer parcels



# **SECTION 36**

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## **PURPOSE OF REZONING**

**SECTION 6** 

**SECTION 7** 

E QUINCY AVE

ARAPAHOE COUNTY

FAIRGROUNDS

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DENVER ARAPAHOE DISPOSAL SITE

CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER PROPERTY

LOWRY

LANDFILL

SUPERFUND

SITE

TOLLGATE CROSSING

SUBDIVISION

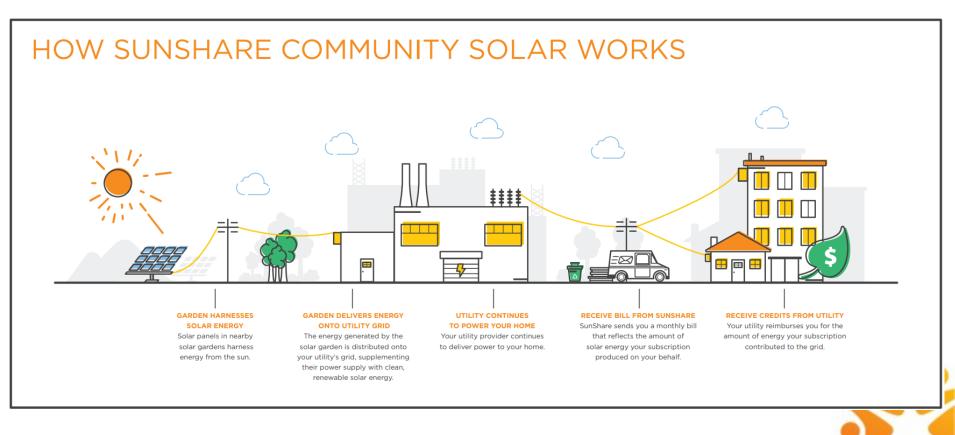
## Change MU-A1

**SECTION 1** 

- Spot rezone to match Parcel 2073-01-1-00-009 to other buffer parcels
- Arapahoe county code limits solar development to AE, A-1, I-1 and I-2
- Successful rezoning would encourage development
- Restrictions on land make this an ideal parcel

### **ABOUT SUNSHARE & COMMUNITY SOLAR**

- SunShare was founded in Colorado in 2011
  - Oldest operating community solar developer in the country
- Community solar is a way for people to "choose solar" without having to install it on their roof
- Customers subscribe to the garden (\$0) and pay SunShare for producing their energy
- Because you now pay SunShare to produce your energy, Xcel provides a credit on your Xcel bill to reimburse you



# WHY THIS LOCATION?

- Suitable for development under Lowry Master plan
  - Adheres to Arapahoe County Master Plan
- Restrictions on other types of development
- Community benefits
  - Grid resilience
  - Subscription opportunities



## CONCLUSION

- Change zoning designation from MU-A1
- Adherence to master plans
- Succesful rezoning would allow for land use permit submission
  - 5MW small solar facility
- Fortify grid and offer subscription
   opportunities to Arapahoe County residents



## **THANK YOU**



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## WILL THE ARRAY PRODUCE GLARE?

Current solar modules reflect about the same amount of light as a standard window, soil, or roof shingles

The solar photovoltaic (PV) modules we use have nonreflective glass and are designed to absorb rather than reflect the light





# WILL THE SOLAR ARRAY IMPACT WILDLIFE?

- We install 8' game fences per CPW recommendation and NEC requirement

   these keep animals safely outside of the array (and keep sheep in!)
- We conduct several levels of wildlife surveys prior to construction



#### How Loud is a Solar Array?

A solar array emits approximately 58 decibels of noise. A library is, on average, 50 decibels.

>At 150 feet, no noise can be heard over ambient area noise

#### Will the Solar Project Produce Electro-Magnetic Fields?

- Solar facilities generate electro-magnetic fields similar to household appliances
- These pose no health risk to neighboring residents

#### Will there be lighting disturbances?

What happens when the project is deconstructed? Will the array add more traffic to the area?

There will be no lighting onsite, so there will be no additional light pollution at night

All solar equipment will be removed and recycled. Once operational, the array will contribute two pick-up trucks on a quarterly basis for maintenance

### **MORE QUESTIONS?**

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