

Hadley Farms Community Association Solar Panel Guidelines

An Application for Exterior Modification must be submitted for all solar panels. Solar panels can represent a large visual impact on a structure due to their size. Therefore, it is important to properly integrate the panels into the design of the house to minimize visual impact.

Requests to install solar panels will be evaluated subject to the following guidelines:

1. Panels should be located to give maximum advantage to the performance use and minimum visual impact the structure. The front and the rear of the roof are the only acceptable locations to gain maximum advantage to the use of solar panels. Free-standing panels installed on the ground are not acceptable.
2. Panels on a sloping roof should be parallel to the plane of the roof and not extend above or lie on top of the roof ridge.
3. In general, panels should be no more than two inches thick; if thicker, a letter from the manufacturer should be included that indicates the reasoning. Panels should be fixed and immovable.
4. Panels should be constructed of glass with wood or metal trim. Plexiglas is not acceptable as it sags and yields an unsatisfactory appearance. Frame, trim, and panels must be black in color. All pipe work or wiring should be concealed and not visible from the street.
5. Panels are to be constructed and maintained in appearance and architectural harmony consistent with all other exterior elements of the property and community.

Application Requirements:

Submit a site (plat) plan along with elevations of the house showing the appearance of the solar panels, size and material of the panels, details showing how the solar panel edges will meet the roof, and manufacturer's illustrations (e.g., brochure and specifications) and/or photographs.

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