Gratiot Findlay
Solar Neighborhood Check-In

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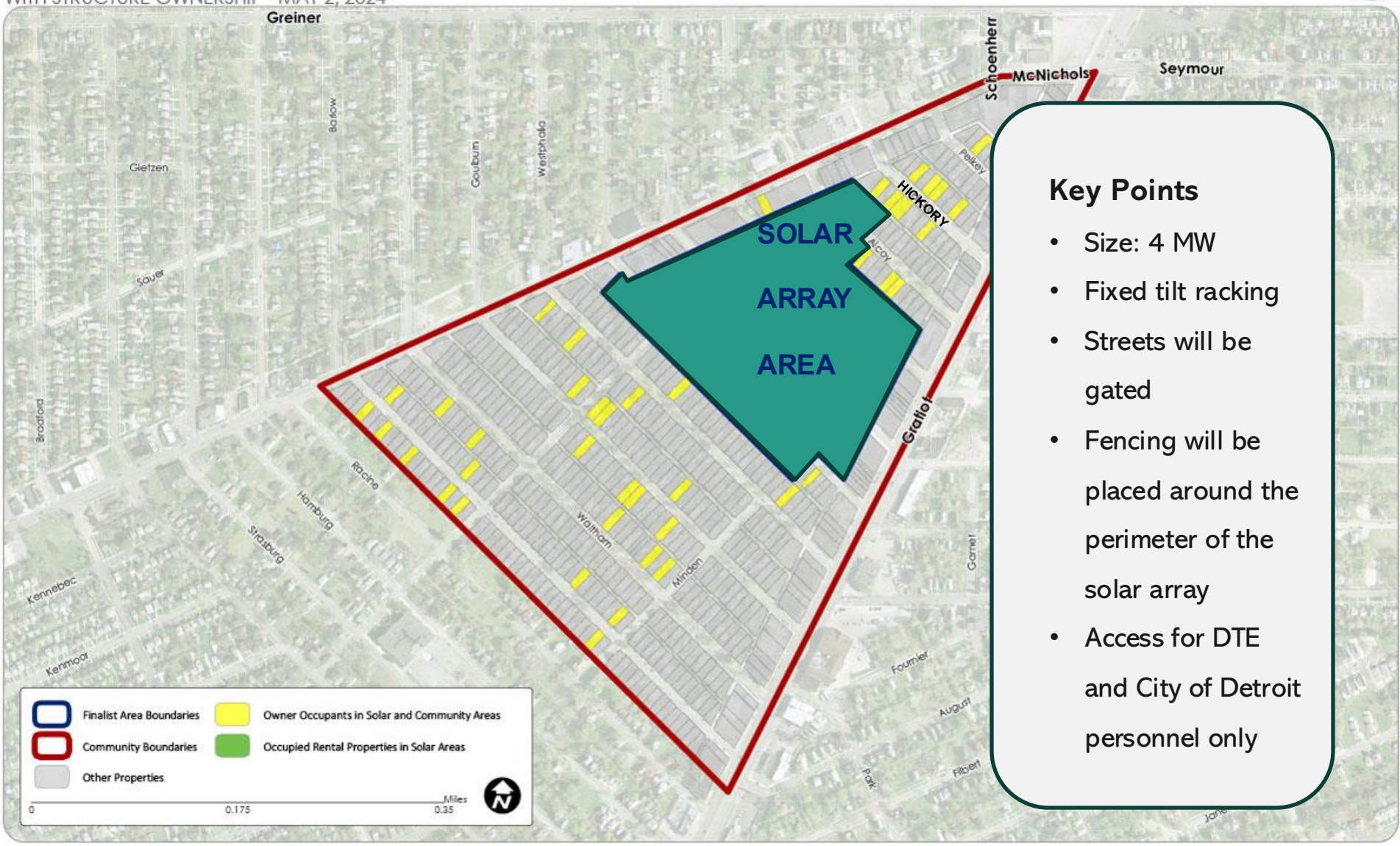
Wednesday, September 09, 2026 | 6:00p

AGENDA

- Welcome/Introductions
- Updates (Developer Transfer)
- Overview & Recap
- Construction Timeline
- Update on Energy Efficiency Upgrades
- Questions

GRATIOT/FINDLAY FINALIST AREA

WITH STRUCTURE OWNERSHIP - MAY 2, 2024



Key Points

- Size: 4 MW
- Fixed tilt racking
- Streets will be gated
- Fencing will be placed around the perimeter of the solar array
- Access for DTE and City of Detroit personnel only

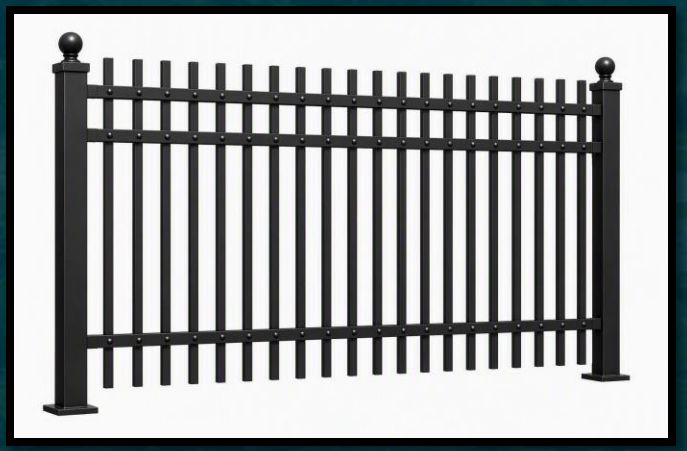
Gratiot Findlay Solar Park

Landscape Buffer Type

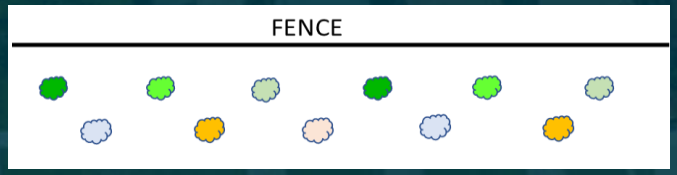
- ✓ Evergreen 1 – Blue Arrow Juniper
- ❖ Evergreen 2 – Arborvitae
- ❖ Evergreen 3 – Irish Juniper
- ✓ Pink Flowering – American Redbud
- ❖ White Flowering – Flowering dogwood
- ❖ Non-Flowering – Rising Fire American Hornbeam

For Illustration only; Final selection of trees based on availability
Image is indicative only. Perimeter fence will have decorative rings and standard cap posts.

Fence Type



Flat top Post Cap

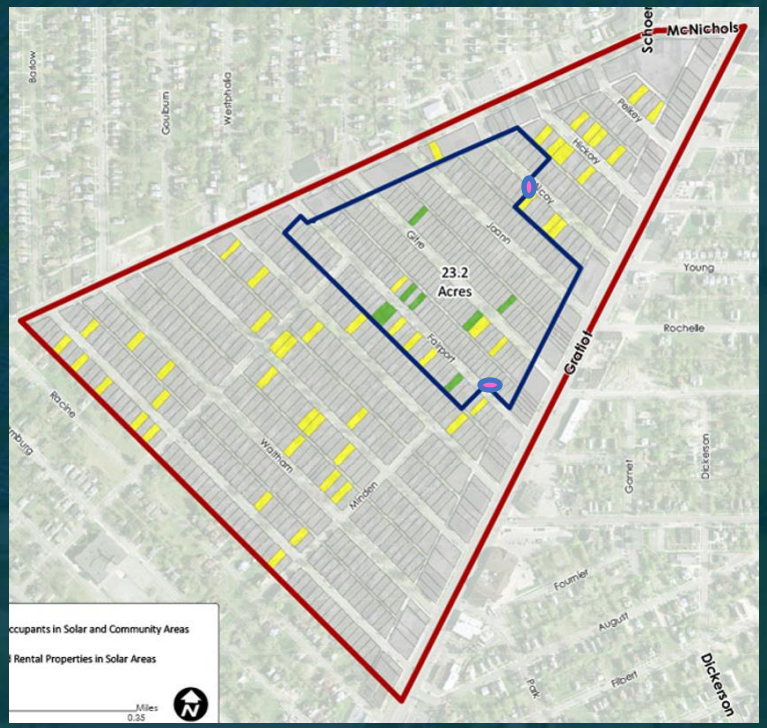


Ground Cover

- ✓ Clover was selected for ground cover by the Neighborhood residents.

Perennial Gardens

- Place on prominent street corners
- Provides more vibrancy to overall project
- Corners are more visible from multiple directions



Indicative image; Perimeter fence will have decorative rings and flat top post caps.

What to expect next?

- Complete solar design
- Electrical interconnection Approval
- Secure all permits
- Erosion control installation
- Tree clearing and pole removal
- Fencing installation
- Components delivery and installation
- Testing and Commissioning
- Landscape planting

Solar Construction Timeframes

Time frame*	Major Activity
Fall 2026	Tree Clearing Overhead line reconfiguration design
Fall 2026 – Spring 2027	Pre-construction mobilization (Overhead pole removal, Grading and Silt Fencing)
Month 1 (Spring 2027)	Fencing installation
Month 2 – Month 7	Foundation and racking Installation
Month 4 – Month 9	Panel installation
Month 4 – Month 12	Electrical Distribution Infrastructure
Month 11 – Month 12	Testing and Power Up
Month 12	Landscaping planting

- DTE will hold additional informational sessions prior to start of construction. Construction is expected to start in April 2027.
- DTE will share information about truck routes, hours of operation and other details during these meetings.

*All timelines are estimates and are dependent on regulatory approvals and other variables.

EE Upgrade Staus

Communication: Agree on Scope of Work

- Each home has different needs – our team will work with each resident to explain the improvement opportunities that were identified, and agree on a final Scope of Work

We Are Here

Mobilization: Securing Contractors to Complete Work

- Working with a small network of local, licensed and certified contractors, align with residents on time to complete the Scope of Work in their home.

Finalization: Ensure Quality

- 3-6 months SOW completion after estimate approvals
- Ensure customer is satisfied with quality of work and understands the improvements made

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Questions?

DTE Contact Information

Contact us

Please email detroitsolar@dteenergy.com with any questions or concerns

Other Useful Links

https://empoweringmichigan.com/city-of-detroit-greenfield-park-solar-neighborhood-project/

https://empoweringmichigan.com/tree-trim-academy/

https://empoweringmichigan.com/energy-efficiency/

https://www.detroitk12.org/RandolphCTC

https://detroitmi.gov/government/mayors-office/office-sustainability/energy/solar-neighborhoods

THANK YOU!

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