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Subject: Yes -- ban gas connections for new construction

Planning Commissioners,

Thank you for considering a ban on gas connections for renovations and new construction! I completely agree!

If not with new construction, then when? Now is not the time for people who are buying brand-new appliances to choose between electric and gas — the climate crisis is upon us, and the only way to transition to electric is to phase out the old gas appliances with electric when the time has come to make new purchases. With new construction, all new appliances should be electric, period.

I knew that DTE and other well-funded groups are arguing that electricity isn't clean enough right now to make a difference, but we are working on that — people across the board are addressing green energy right now, concurrently. We as a community undermine all the efforts to stop the climate crisis if we don't work hand-in-glove with these efforts. Believe me, electricity will be getting cleaner and greener all the time, especially as measures like this, a ban on gas for new constructions, get implemented.

Please formally recognize the unacceptability of gas infrastructure in new construction!

Sincerely,
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