A SOLAR-READY ZONE

1. Solar ready zones of not less than 600 square feet.
2. Minimum of 300 feet square must be reserved for future solar and must be indicated on construction documents.
   a. Free from obstructions: vents, chimneys and roof-mounted equipment.
   b. Indicate pathway of conduit or plumbing to service panel or hot water system.
   c. Reserve 2 spaces in service panel. Must be labeled “FOR FUTURE SOLAR ELECTRIC”. Per electrical code: spaces must be in lower left or lower right of panel.
   d. The builder or registered design professional must post near service panel or hot water equipment a permanent certificate indicating solar-ready zone.
3. New multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) 3 stories or less in height.
   a. Total floor area less than or equal to 2000 square feet per dwelling must have solar-ready zone not less than 150 square feet.
   b. Solar-ready zones must be composed of areas not less than 5 feet wide and not less than 80 feet square.
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THINGS TO KNOW

1. You do not have to change your design or orientation.
2. If you less than 600 square feet of roof you are not solar ready.
3. If you already have permanent solar, you are exempt.
4. If your roof area is shaded by trees or other structures more than 70% of daylight hours annually, you are exempt.
5. **YOU MUST PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION IF 2, 3 OR 4 APPLIES!**