# Status Report On Solar Canopies At The Croton-Harmon Train Station

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### **Very Brief History**

Solar canopies over the parking lots were first proposed in 2017. Those early projects were too small or offered too little revenue. June 2020: Croton's Village Board asked the Sustainability Committee (SC) for a no-cost option to raise parking lot revenue. July 2020: with Village staff help, the SC drafted a Request For Proposals (RFP) and sent it 168 solar developers. Oct. 2020: out of 7 proposals, Solar Customer Solutions' (a/k/a SolSystems) bid was accepted. A contract was signed March 2021. Design development / permitting / etc. has been ongoing. Construction is slated to start summer 2022, and finish in 2023.

#### **Project Layout**

Fourteen solar canopies will cover parking <u>west</u> of Veterans Plaza. Lot sections H & I are not "geotechnically stable" and won't be used.



## **Canopy Design / Capacity**

The single-tilt long-span canopies will use bi-facial (both sides) panels to maximize – solar output.

The system will produce 4 MW<sub>DC</sub> of clean power, and includes a 3.5 MW of battery power storage holding 15 MWh.

~40% of the power will be used by



Croton's <u>municipal</u> facilities. ~60% will be sold to ~450 Croton homes. ~1,800 tons/yr of GHG will be avoided, equivalent to ~500 cars.

24 EV chargers, and LED lights under the canopies, will be installed. Croton will receive ~\$400,000 a year in lease rent. All of this is being done <u>at no cost to taxpayers</u>.

# Thank you for your time and attention.