



Date: February 23, 2023
To: Municipal Light Board: Brian Foulds (Chair), Wendy Rovelli, Alice Kaufman, Pamela Hill, Warren Leon
From: David Wood, Director
Subject: Agenda for Hybrid Light Board Meeting **February 28, 2023, 6:30 P.M.** (Location Town House Hearing Room & Zoom link on page 2)

6:30 PM 1. **Call to Order**

6:30 PM 2. **Concord Middle School Solar/Storage Project** 45 Minutes Director Presentation

Background: Concord Light is requesting to issue a bond that will fund an in-town solar installation at the 2023 Town Meeting under Article 21 “Light Plant Solar Expansion – Middle School”. The community through Town Meeting has established many clean energy goals for Concord Light. Notable is the ATM 2010 Article 64 and ATM 2015 Article 36 Authorization of Long-term Lease for Solar Energy on town owned properties, the ATM 2013 Article 57 and STM 2016 Article 1 approving Concord Light two existing utility scale solar arrays, ATM 2017 Article 51 establishing Concord’s Energy Goals, and ATM 2022 Article 38 Development Plan for Municipal Solar Generation. Additionally, many town committees have established clean energy and in-town renewable energy goals. Notable is the 2007 Comprehensive Sustainable Energy Plan, the Light Board’s 2010 Utility-scale Solar Strategy, 2011 Concord Municipal Light Plant Renewable Energy Strategy, the 2011 Solar Siting Committee, the 2018 Final Envision Concord Plan 2030, and the 2020 Climate Action and Resilience Plan. Utility scale solar generation require large land areas and the community has expressed a desire through Town Meeting and committee reports that in-town projects should not clear forests and are developed using a dual land use strategy such as on buildings or over parking lots. Concord Light feels this project helps meet in-town solar generation goals in a way that the community desires at a fair price.

This meeting is one of three meetings where Concord Light will discuss this project on the way to Town Meeting. The first meeting was held with the Light Board on February 8th 2023 where a technical presentation of the project was made. This presentation and the project’s draft design can be found on Concord Light’s website. The third meeting will be the town meeting hearing on Article 21 where the presentation will focus on the funding request. The purpose of this meeting is below.

Purpose: To share with the community all details related to Concord Light’s in-town solar energy project and listen to community feedback. The presentation will cover 1) how this project helps Concord Light meet goals set by the community including the ATM 2019 Article 14’s “all-electric/ZNE building design”, 2) provide a sense of how the project will look when completed, 3) design specifics related to solar production and battery capabilities, 4) an explanation of a “Front-of-Meter” project, 5) a simplified ratepayer cost benefit analysis, and 6) a summary of presentation topics followed by public feedback listening session.

7:15 PM 3. **Public Feedback** 45 minutes Director Discussion

8:00 PM 4. **Adjourn**

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