



Solar City Program



Solar City Program Basics

- Offers expert guidance and unique financing to residents
- Technical support given throughout the entire process of installing solar
- Unbiased review of all solar proposals
- Contractor neutral
- Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing



PACE Financing

- Financing is offered in exchange for a first lien on the property
- No credit checks required and tied to property
- PACE financing is widely used by municipalities
- A 2012 *HRM Charter* amendment allowed for the creation of *By-Law S-500*
- Solar City Pilot Program (2013-2015)



Current Solar City Program

- Permanent as of 2019
- 4.75% over 10 years
- Open to all solar contractors
- Expanded to support additional solar technologies
- Solar electric (Photovoltaic) has been most popular



Supporting Programs

- Greener Homes Grant and SolarHomes programs are discontinued
- Federal Greener Homes Loan
- Nova Scotia Power's Self-Generation Program
 - 1:1 credit for excess solar generation
 - Protected against volatile utility costs





Program Statistics

- National recognition
- 9.8 MW of solar capacity installed
- Supported growth of NS solar industry
- \$27 Million financed
- \$1.9 million in annual utility cost savings

Thank You



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