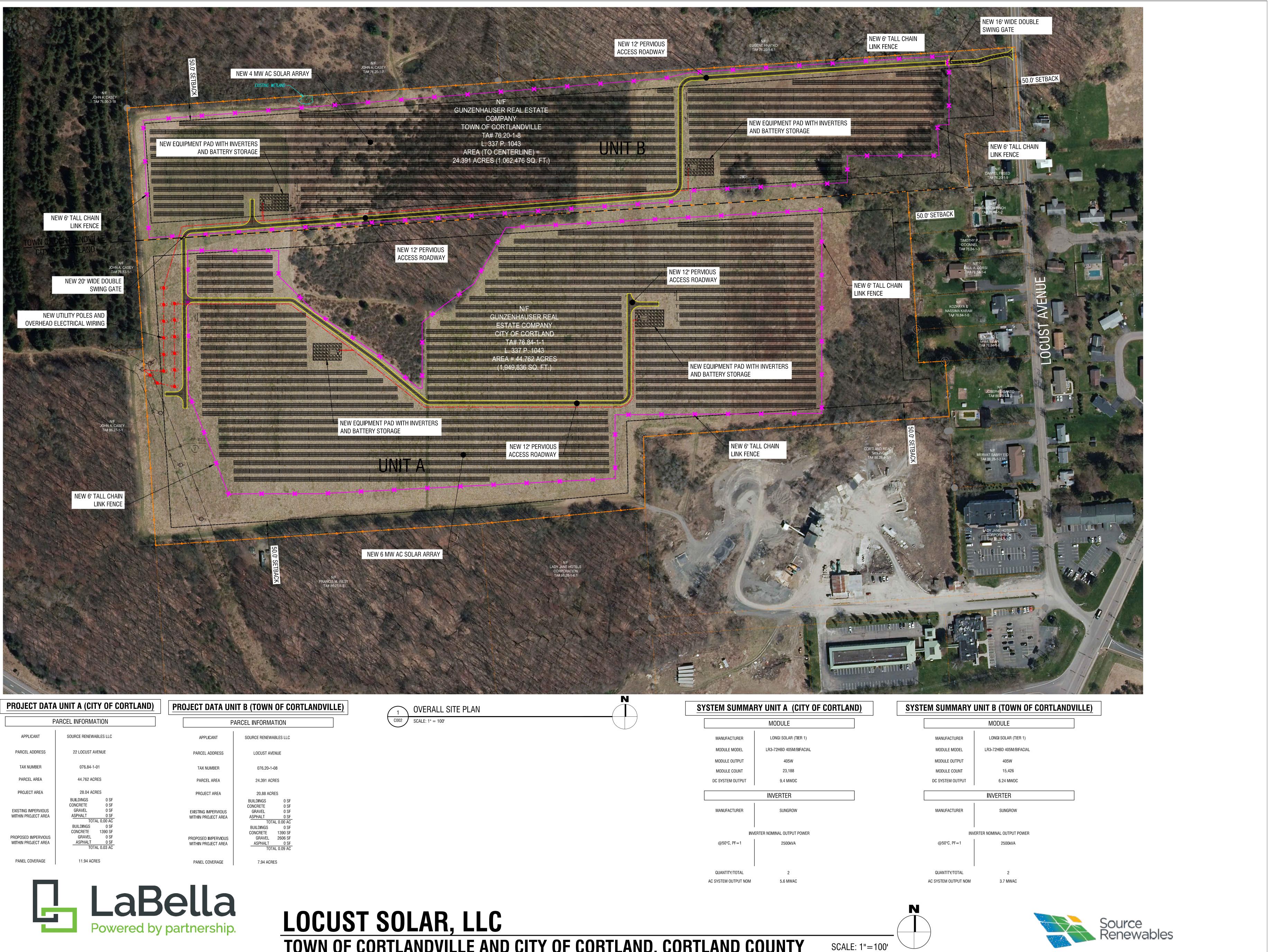
TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE 3577 TERRACE ROAD CORTLAND, NEW YORK 13045-3552

APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL PERMIT

APPLICANT

Name Source Renewables	Fee Paid
Address_42 West Elm Street, Suite C	Phone 203-542-5651
Greenwich, Connecticut 06830	
PROPERTY OWNER	
Name Gunzenhauser Real Estate	Phone
Address_21 Circle Drive Cortland, NY 130	045
PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Location of property Locust Ave., Town of Tax Map No. of Parcel 76.20-01-08.0	
IS PROPERTY IN FLOOD PLAIN? ZONING DISTRICTR1	DING DATE OF AQUISTION May 2020 YES x NO C solar array on 20.9 acres of a 24 Acre Property
Information to be included will be dr Cortlandville Zoning Law. DATE OF APPLICATION 2/12/2020	rawn from a checklist in Article XIV of the Jonid & Walk, Labella 1550C Acting Agent Son Soverce Renewables UC <u>ADDREW DAY</u> Signature of Applicant
	Zoning Officer
	Planning Board Chairperson
PERMIT GRANTED	

PERMIT DENIED_____



TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE AND CITY OF CORTLAND, CORTLAND COUNTY

TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE 3577 TERRACE ROAD CORTLAND, NEW YORK 13045-3552

AQUIFER PROTECTION DISTRICT SPECIAL PERMIT

APPLICANT	Fee Paid
NameSource Renewables	Phone 203-542-5651
Address 42 West Elm Street, Suite C Greenv	vich, Connecticut 06830
PROPERTY OWNER	
NameGunzenhauser Real Estate	Phone
Address 21 Circle Drive Cortland, NY 13045 If applicant is a Corporation, list name, add officers and directors on reverse side.	lress, phone and fax numbers of all corporate
PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Location of property Locust Ave., Town of C Tax Map No. of Parcel 76.20-01-08.000	Cortlandville, NY 13077
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Information to be provided as per Article and	1 Section 178-47 of the Town of Cortlandville
Zoning Law.	Daniel R. Walker Lubella Asso C acting against Sor Source Revenables 40
DATE OF APPLICATION 2/12/2020	<u>ANDREW</u> DAY Signature of Applicant
	Signature of Applicant
	Zoning Officer
	Supervisor

PERMIT GRANTED_____

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Zoning Referral Form

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Conditional Permits, Special Permits, Site Plan Reviews & Variances

Director CORTLAND COUR 37 Church St. Cortland, NY 130 Telephone: (607) 753 Fax: (607) 753	-5043	GML No. <u>76. 20</u> - <u>01</u> - <u>08</u> . <u>000</u> (Tax Map Number) Date: <u>2/12/2020</u>
Submitting Officer:	Bruce Weber, Planning & Zoning	g Officer
Municipality:	Town of Cortlandville	
Mailing Address:	3577 Terrace Road, Cortland,	NY 13045
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Phone Number:	(607) 756-7052	Fax Number: (607) 758-7922
	Type of I	Referral
The applicant reque		Section
	Bulk – Article Use – ArticleXIX	Section
Special Permit:	ArticleX	Section <u>178-46B</u>
Conditional Permit:	ArticleXIX	Section
Site Plan Review:	Article	Section
Reason(s) for reque	est:Applicant is requesting Use Variance for	construction of a 5 MWAC ground mount Solar PV System to be connected
to the electrical grid as a co		
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Environmental Qual unlisted actions.	ity Review Act? Attach required e	, or unlisted action under the State environmental assessment forms for Type I and for your application to be complete:
1. Name of petition	er: Source Renewables	
Owners name (if	different):Gunzenhauser Real Est	ate
Date of acquisition	May 2020	
File Name: pln/wndata/forms/2	Zoning Referral Form 05/03/05	

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A	ddress: 42 West	Elm Street,Suite C			• •	
Sf	Greer	wich, Connecticut	Zip:	06830		
Pl	none Number:	203-542-5651	<i>У.</i>	Fa	ax Number:	
2.	A Site Plan Ma	o showing:				
	larger than 1 b. North Arrow c. Physical Cha d. Layout Plan e. Surface and f. Location of 0 General Mur g. Location Ma h. Area Map at (1) zonin (2) surro	l acre) aracteristics of Site Showing buildings Subsurface Drain County or State fa	e, existing ar s, parking an nage Plan, ind cility pursuar le reed upon sca subject and a vithin 500 fee	nd proposed (d available uti corporated wit nt to Section 2 ale adjoining prop	h Layout Plan 39 I, m and n of the perties	
3.		Map from the Cort f the applicant's pr		Office of Real	Property and Assessm	ent showing the
4.	Availability of pu	iblic utilities and se	ervices:			
	Fire Protection .				District fuse Collection	
5.	Does Site Plan	conform to munici	pal master pl	an? ^{No}	If not why? _Not	Permitted in R1 Dist
6.	Does Site Plan	conform to county	land use pla	n? <u>No</u>	If not why? —	Permitted in R1 Dist
7.	School District:	Cortland				
8.	Projected energ	y consumption:	Energy produce	90	Type: <u>Solar PV</u>	
9.	Traffic generatio	n (expected vehic	le departure:	s and arrivals	per 24 hour period) : ^{Max}	2 per day after construct

NOTE: All maps require the name and address of the N.Y.S. licensed engineer or land surveyor responsible for preparing the seal and map.

Signature and Title of Submitting Official

(REVISED: 8/01)

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TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE 3577 TERRACE ROAD CORTLAND, NY 13045

USE VARIANCE FINDINGS & DECISION

Applicant:	Source Renewables	203-542-5651 Phone #:
Address: <u>42</u>	West Elm Street, Suite C	Greenwich, Connecticut Fee:
Property Ow	ner: Gunzenhauser Rea	al Estate
• •	cerns Property at the foll nber:76.20-01-08.0	
Zoning Distri	ct Classification:R1	
Use for whic	h Variance is requested:	5 MWAC Ground Mount Solar Array
Applicable Se	ection of Zoning Code:	XIX 178.123.3
(Signature:	Doniel R. Walke	Acting as Agent for Source Renewables,LLC Andrew Day Date: 4/14/2020
TEST: No Use	e Variance will be granted	d without a showing by the applicant that applicable zoning

TEST: No Use Variance will be granted without a showing by the applicant that applicable zoning regulations and restrictions have caused unnecessary hardship. The following test must be met for each and every use allowed by zoning on the property, including uses allowed by special use permit.

 Has the Applicant demonstrated that the Applicant cannot realize a reasonable return, and that the lack of return is substantial and has been demonstrated by competent financial evidence? Yes X_No____

Proof: Gunzenhauser purchased the property in 1965. a subdivision was proposed in 1986 but was not viable due to the steep slope and lack of utilities.

- Has the Applicant demonstrated that the alleged hardship relating to the property in question is unique and does not apply to a substantial portion of the district or neighborhood? Yes X No
- Proof: The Steep slopes and shallow depth to bedrock make residential development difficult. Land use to the south of the site includes a concrete plant and 2 hotel properties. Route 81 is located at the base of the hill to the south.

Use Variance Findings & Decision

- 3. Has the Applicant demonstrated that the requested use variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood? Yes X_No____
- Proof:
 The use variance of a ground mount solar pv facility will maintain

 current topography and vegetation below the panels will consist of

 meadow grasses.

 The facility can be removed as shown by the

 decommissioning plan if it is taken out of service.

 The facility will

 not increase traffic or generate noise after construction.
 - Has the Applicant demonstrated that the alleged hardship has not been self-created? Yes X No_____

Proof: The current owners have owned the property since 1965 and the opportunity to sell the property to Source Renewables is dependent on the the use variance. This is the first viable opportunity for sale of the property.

DETERMINATION OF ZBA BASED ON THE ABOVE FACTORS:

The ZBA, after reviewing the above four proofs, finds:

That the applicant has failed to prove unnecessary hardship through the application of the four tests required by the state statues.

That the applicant has proven unnecessary hardship through the application of the four tests required by the state statues. In finding such hardship, the ZBA shall grant a variance to allow use of the property in the manner detailed below, which is the minimum variance that should be granted in order to preserve and protect the character of the neighborhood and the health, safety and welfare of the community:

(USE)_____

USE VARIANCE FINDINGS & DECISION

Question #1 ILLUSTRATIONS OF FINANCIAL EVIDENCE

Bill of sale for the property, present value of property, expenses for maintenance.Leases, rental agreements.Tax bills.Conversion costs (for a permitted use).Realtor's statement of inability to rent/sell.

Question #2

ILLUSTRATIONS OF UNIQUENESS

Topographic or physical features preventing development for a permitted use. Why would it be possible to construct the applicant's proposal and not any of the permitted uses? Board member observations of the property and surrounding area.

Question #3

ILLUSTRATIVE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER FACTORS

Board members' observations of neighborhood.

Expected effect of proposal on neighborhood, for example, change in parking patterns, noise levels, lighting, traffic.

Question #4 <u>SELF-CREATED</u>

What were the permitted uses at the time the property was purchased by the applicant? Were substantial sums spent on remodeling for a use not permitted by zoning? Was the property received through inheritance, court order, divorce?



April 14, 2020

Bruce Weber, Zoning Officer Town of Cortlandville 3577 Terrace Road Cortland, NY 13045

RE: LOCUST SOLAR ARRAY, TAX PARCEL 76.20-01-08.000 ENGINEERING REPORT FOR USE VARIANCE APPLICATION LaBella Project Number 2191567.06

Dear Mr. Weber:

Source Renewables is proposing a 5 MWAC ground mount Solar PV project on Tax Parcel 76.20-01-08.000 which is a Locust Ave parcel adjacent to Tax Parcel 76.84-01-01.000 in the City of Cortland. Both Parcels are owned by Gunzenhauser Real Estate. The property is Zoned R1 and a Large Scale Solar PV installation is not a permitted use in this Zone.

The Property has been owned by Gunzenhauser Real Estate since 1965. The City parcel is landlocked with legal frontage on Locust Ave from the portion of the property in the Town of Cortlandville. The property has been on the market for over 30 years with a current listing that is over 2 years old.

The current assessed value of the 38.5 acre city parcel is \$60,000 for the land with no buildings on the site, and the assessed value for the 24.4 acre Town of Cortlandville Parcel is \$37,100 for the land with no buildings on the site.

A 51 Lot subdivision was proposed for the property with a minimum lot size of approximately 20,000 square feet which was in compliance with the R1 zoning. This project also included a proposal for 8 multiple residence buildings with 44 residential units. The proposal was determined to not be viable because of the steep slopes and shallow bedrock on the site. The estimated cost of developing a 51 lot realty subdivision is based on the following:

4940 Lineal feet of town and city road with drainage	\$1,482,000
Storm Water Management	\$ 250,000
4350 Lineal feet of Sewer	\$1,305,000
5000 Lineal feet of water main	\$1,500,000
Water pumping and storage	\$ 700,000
Site Grading	\$ 400,000
Total estimated development costs	\$5,637,000

This estimated construction cost would result in a per lot cost of approximately \$110,000.

A review of land values for similar 20,000 sq-ft residential lots shows average land assessments of \$20,000.

Other factors which make this site less desirable is the proximity of Route 81 with heavy traffic and highway noise, the location of a concrete plant at the southern side of the property and two hotels south of the property. Typically subdivisions of this size would also require a second access to a main roadway for public safety access concerns.



The hardship for this property in the residential R1 zone is unique compared to other areas of R1 zoning because of the steep slopes existing on the parcel, The shallow depth to bedrock and the lack of utilities.

The nature of ground mount solar panels will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood is the low height of the structures, maintenance of vegetation under the panels as a grassy meadow and the existing topography will not be significantly modified. The project will not generate any additional traffic or noise after the construction period.

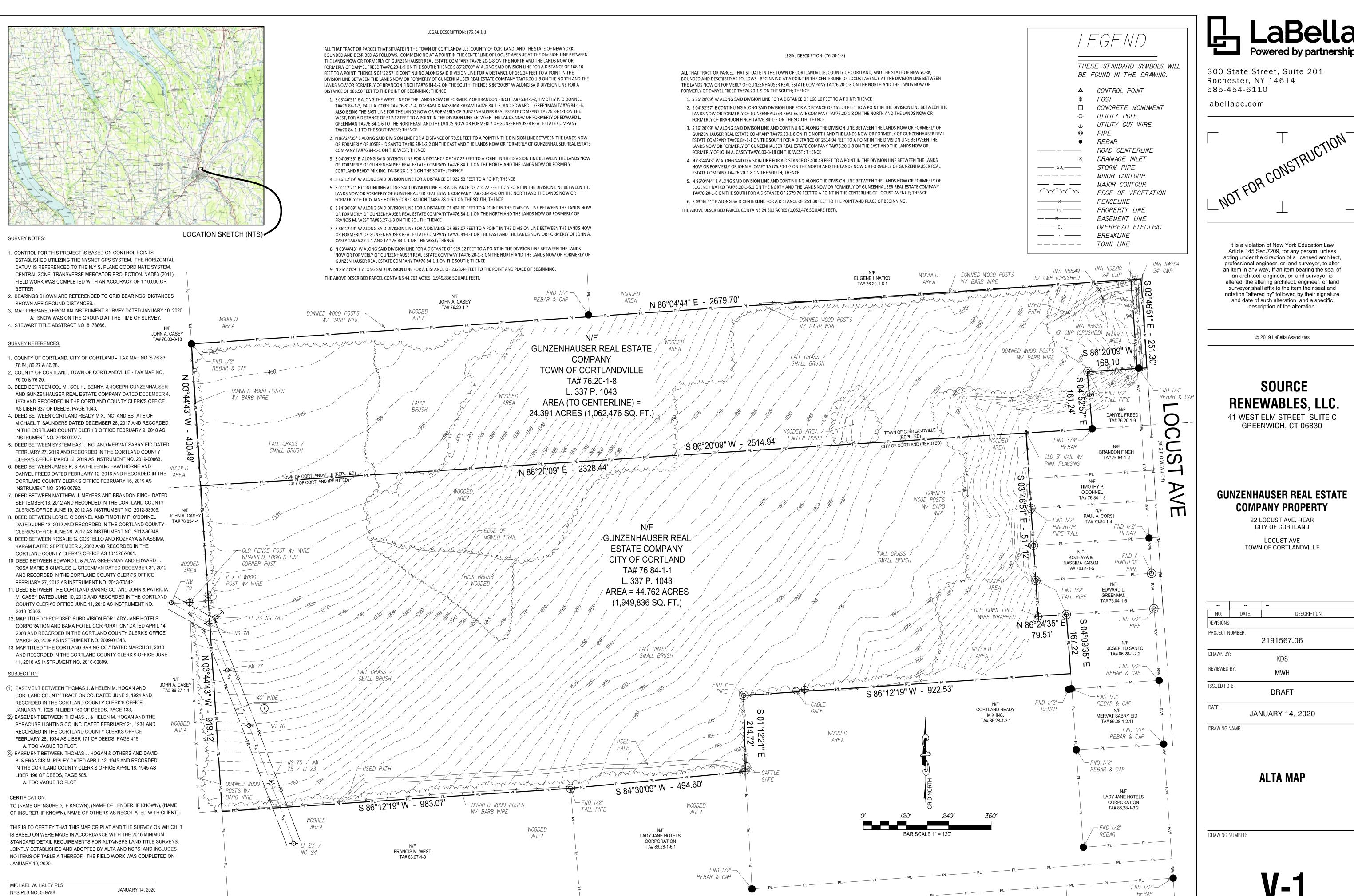
The project is consistent with the State effort for providing green energy and as a community solar project the residents of the city will benefit from the opportunity to obtain electrical power from the facility.

Respectfully submitted,

LaBella Associates

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Daniel R. Walker, PE Senior Project Engineer



Walker, Dan

From:	Andrew Day <aday@sourcerenew.com></aday@sourcerenew.com>
Sent:	Thursday, March 26, 2020 2:17 PM
То:	Corey Auerbach - Barclay Damon LLP (CAuerbach@barclaydamon.com); Walker, Dan; Gasic, Drazen
Subject: Attachments:	Cortland Real Estate Update Cortland Lot Comps 3.26.pdf

Corey –

I spoke with the land owner and real estate agent regarding the history of the property and the land values. The Gunzenhausers have had the property for sale either by owner or listed with a broker for the past 30 years with very little interest. Yaman Real Estate, the current broker has had it listed prior to entering into a contract with us for 1032 days, during that time they had only one inquiry other than us.

Regarding the values, I asked Jamie Yaman to send over recently completed and current lot listings. The best comparable is a 100 lot subdivision in the vicinity that recently sold their final lots and it took them 30 years. The lots which are fully finished include roads, electric, municipal water and wastewater etc...and they sold for \$22k per lot. The average house value in the area is \$125k.

Andrew Day Source Renewables 41 West Elm Street, Suite C Greenwich, CT 06830 (O) 203-542-5651 (M) 480-272-1542 aday@sourcerenew.com

Jamie Principal Cell: 607 Yaman F	Jaman Broker -423-1369 Real Estate nier Nome						F		
	MLS#	Address	Zip	List Price	Assd Value	SqFt Beds	Bths	RATIO Lis	Acres
	<u>S263353</u>	12 Bellevue Ave	13045	\$21,500	\$16,900		0.0		0.47
	<u>S1199349</u>	1 Colony Dr	13045	\$19,500	\$15,000				0.25
📰 🔜	<u>S1076673</u>	51 Hickory Park Rd	13045	\$19,900	\$15,000				0.31
	<u>S1108677</u>	16 Harrington Ave	13045	\$16,000	\$8,900				0.12
	<u>S1069759</u>	27 Kent Dr	13045	\$6,500	\$6,500				0.15
	<u>S1144411</u>	0 Bell Dr	13045	\$19,900	\$21,700				0.02
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All information courtesy of Jamie Yaman

