

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

<b>Address:</b>	7135 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park	<b>Meeting Date:</b>	9/9/2020
<b>Resource:</b>	Contributing Resource <b>Takoma Park Historic District</b>	<b>Report Date:</b>	9/2/2020
<b>Applicant:</b>	Hubert Chang	<b>Public Notice:</b>	8/26/2020
<b>Review:</b>	HAWP	<b>Tax Credit:</b>	n/a
<b>Case No.:</b>	37/03-20000	<b>Staff:</b>	Dan Bruechert
<b>Proposal:</b>	Solar Panel Installation		

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the HPC **approve** the HAWP application.

**PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource to the Takoma Park Historic District  
 STYLE: Vernacular  
 DATE: 1921



*Figure 1: 7135 Maple Ave has a deep, hipped roof.*

## **PROPOSAL**

The applicant proposes to install 26 (twenty-six) solar panels on the roof of the house.

## **APPLICABLE GUIDELINES**

When reviewing alterations and new construction within the Takoma Park Historic District several documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the historic preservation review guidelines in the approved and adopted amendment for the *Takoma Park Historic District (Guidelines)*, *Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A)*, and the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards)*. The work proposed is additionally covered by the adopted policy on solar panels, *Historic Preservation Commission Policy No. 20-01: ADDRESSING EMERGENCY CLIMATE MOBILIZATION THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS*. The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

### ***Montgomery County Code, Chapter 24A Historic Resources Preservation***

(b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

- (1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
- (2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

### ***Takoma Park Historic District Guidelines***

There are two very general, broad planning and design concepts which apply to all categories. These are:

The design review emphasis will be restricted to changes that are at all visible from the public right-of-way, irrespective of landscaping or vegetation (it is expected that the majority of new additions will be reviewed for their impact on the overall district), and,

The importance of assuring that additions and other changes to existing structures act to reinforce and continue existing streetscape, landscape, and building patterns rather than to impair the character of the district.

Contributing Resources should receive a more lenient review than those structures that have been classified as Outstanding. This design review should emphasize the importance of the resource to the overall streetscape and its compatibility with existing patterns rather than focusing on a close scrutiny of architectural detailing. In general, however, changes to Contributing Resources should respect the predominant architectural style of the resource. As stated above, the design review emphasis will be restricted to changes that are *at all visible from the public right-of-way*, irrespective of landscaping or vegetation.

Some of the factors to be considered in reviewing HAWPs on Contributing Resources include:

- All exterior alterations, including those to architectural features and details, should be generally consistent with the predominant architectural style and period of the resource and should preserve the predominant architectural features of the resource; exact

replication of existing details and features is, however, not required

- Minor alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public right-of-way such as vents, metal stovepipes, air conditioners, fences, skylights, etc. – should be allowed as a matter of course; alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public way-of-way which involve the replacement of or damaged to original ornamental or architectural features are discouraged, but may be considered and approved on a case-by-case basis
- Some non-original building materials may be acceptable on a case-by-case basis; artificial siding on areas visible to the public right-of-way is discouraged where such materials would replace or damage original building materials that are in good condition
- Alterations to features that are not visible from the public right-of-way should be allowed as a matter of course
- All changes and additions should respect existing environmental settings, landscaping, and patterns of open space.

***Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation:***

2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportions, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

***Chapter 24A***

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- (3) The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located.
- (6) In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit.

(d) In the case of an application for work on an historic resource located within an historic district, the commission shall be lenient in its judgment of plans for structures of little historical or design significance or for plans involving new construction, unless such plans would seriously impair the historic

or architectural value of surrounding historic resources or would impair the character of the historic district. (Ord. No. 9-4, § 1; Ord. No. 11-59.)

***Historic Preservation Commission Policy No. 20-01: ADDRESSING EMERGENCY CLIMATE MOBILIZATION THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS***

Now, THEREFORE:

WHEREAS, Historic Area Work Permit decisions are guided by the criteria in Section 24A, The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation, and pertinent guidance from applicable master plan amendments and/or site or district-specific studies;

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation as interpreted by the National Park Service limit the placement of rooftop solar panels under Standards 2, 9, and 10 to less conspicuous locations;

WHEREAS, the County Council has established a Climate Emergency;

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation is a body established by the County Executive and County Council;

WHEREAS, Section 24-8(b)(6) states, “In balancing the interest of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit;”

WHEREAS, the widespread use of solar panels, both for hot water and for electricity production, will reduce greenhouse gases in the county, in accordance with the aims of the Emergency Climate Mobilization resolution (Resolution No.: 18-974), it shall be the policy of the Historic Preservation Commission that:

1. The preferred locations for solar panel installation(s) on a designated historic site or an historic resource located within an historic district is a) on the rear of the property, b) on non-historic building additions, c) on accessory structures, or d) in ground-mounted arrays;
2. If it is not feasible to install solar panels in one of the identified preferred locations due to resource orientation or other site limitations; and,
3. The roof is determined to be neither architecturally significant, nor a character-defining feature of the resource, nor is it a slate or tile roof, that unless it can be demonstrated that the solar array will be installed without damaging the historic character of the resource or historic fabric; then
4. The public welfare is better served by approving a Historic Area Work Permit for solar panels on all visible side or front roof slopes under Section 24A-8(b)(6).
5. A Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP) is required for all work referenced in this policy.

**STAFF DISCUSSION**

The subject property is a deep house, two stories tall, with a hipped roof. Due to the orientation of the house, only three roof slopes get any direct sunlight: the front (west), the right (south), and the rear (east). The applicant proposes installing a total of 29 (twenty-nine) solar panels on the roof. Twenty-three are on



the right (south-facing) roof and the remaining three will be on the rear (east-facing) roof slope.



*Figure 2: Front elevation of 7135 Maple Ave.*

The preferred location for solar panels on this house is the rear roof slope. Due to the small size of this roof, the applicant has proposed the maximum number of panels that could be accommodated. These three panels will not be visible from the public right-of-way and should be approved by a matter of course. The remaining 23 (twenty-three) panels are proposed for the long, south-sloping roof. Due to the orientation of the house, this is the optimal position to collect solar energy. The adopted Solar Policy states that where solar panels cannot be located in one of the preferred locations and the roof is not architecturally significant, the proposal should be approved under 24A-8(b)(6). Additionally, the low pitch of the roof makes the roof slope less visible from the right of way.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b)(1), (6), and (d), having found that the proposal, is consistent with and compatible in character with the purposes of Chapter 24A; The Takoma Park Historic District Design Guidelines; the HPC Policy on Roof-Mounted Solar Panels;

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation #2, 9, and 10;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present the **3 permit sets of drawings, if applicable, to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping** prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff's discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make **any alterations** to the approved plans. Once the work is completed the applicant will contact the staff person assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or [dan.bruechert@montgomeryplanning.org](mailto:dan.bruechert@montgomeryplanning.org) to schedule a follow-up site visit.



FOR STAFF ONLY:  
HAWP# 924041  
DATE ASSIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR  
HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT**  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
301.563.3400

**APPLICANT:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Registration No.: MIHP # 126720, Moco License # 13228

**LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE:** MIHP # of Historic Property \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Property Located within an Historic District? ☒ Yes/District Name \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ No/Individual Site Name \_\_\_\_\_

Is there an Historic Preservation/Land Trust/Environmental Easement on the Property? If YES, include a map of the easement, and documentation from the Easement Holder supporting this application.

Are other Planning and/or Hearing Examiner Approvals /Reviews Required as part of this Application? (Conditional Use, Variance, Record Plat, etc.?) If YES, include information on these reviews as supplemental information.

Building Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/City: \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest Cross Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Lot: \_\_\_\_\_ Block: \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision: \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel: \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF WORK PROPOSED: See the checklist on Page 4 to verify that all supporting items for proposed work are submitted with this application. Incomplete Applications will not be accepted for review. Check all that apply:**

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Construction   | <input type="checkbox"/> Deck/Porch          | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed/Garage/Accessory Structure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addition           | <input type="checkbox"/> Fence               | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demolition         | <input type="checkbox"/> Hardscape/Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree removal/planting           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grading/Excavation | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof                | <input type="checkbox"/> Window/Door                     |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                    |

I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct and accurate and that the construction will comply with plans reviewed and approved by all necessary agencies and hereby acknowledge and accept this to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of owner or authorized agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Description of Property:** Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

**Description of Work Proposed:** Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:

Work Item 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Current Condition:

**Proposed Work:**

Work Item 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Current Condition:

Proposed Work:

Work Item 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Current Condition:

### Proposed Work:



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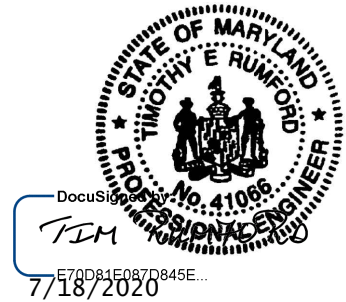
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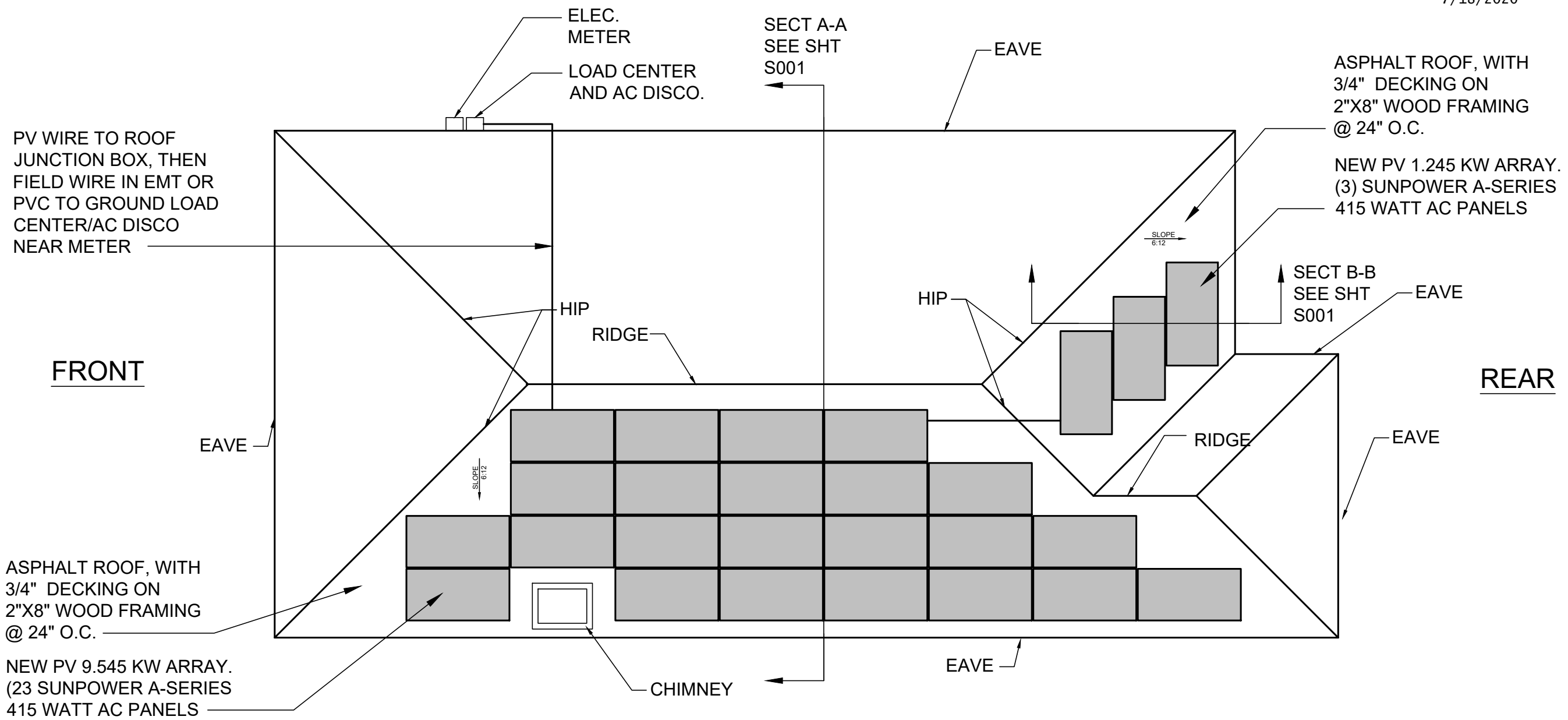
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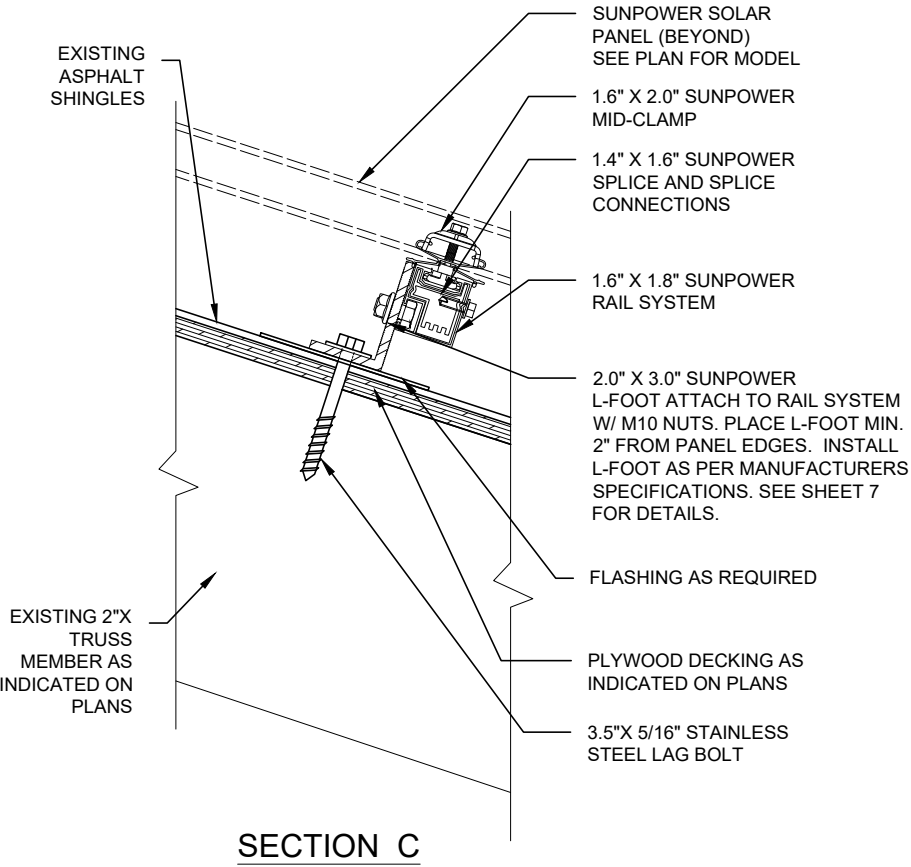
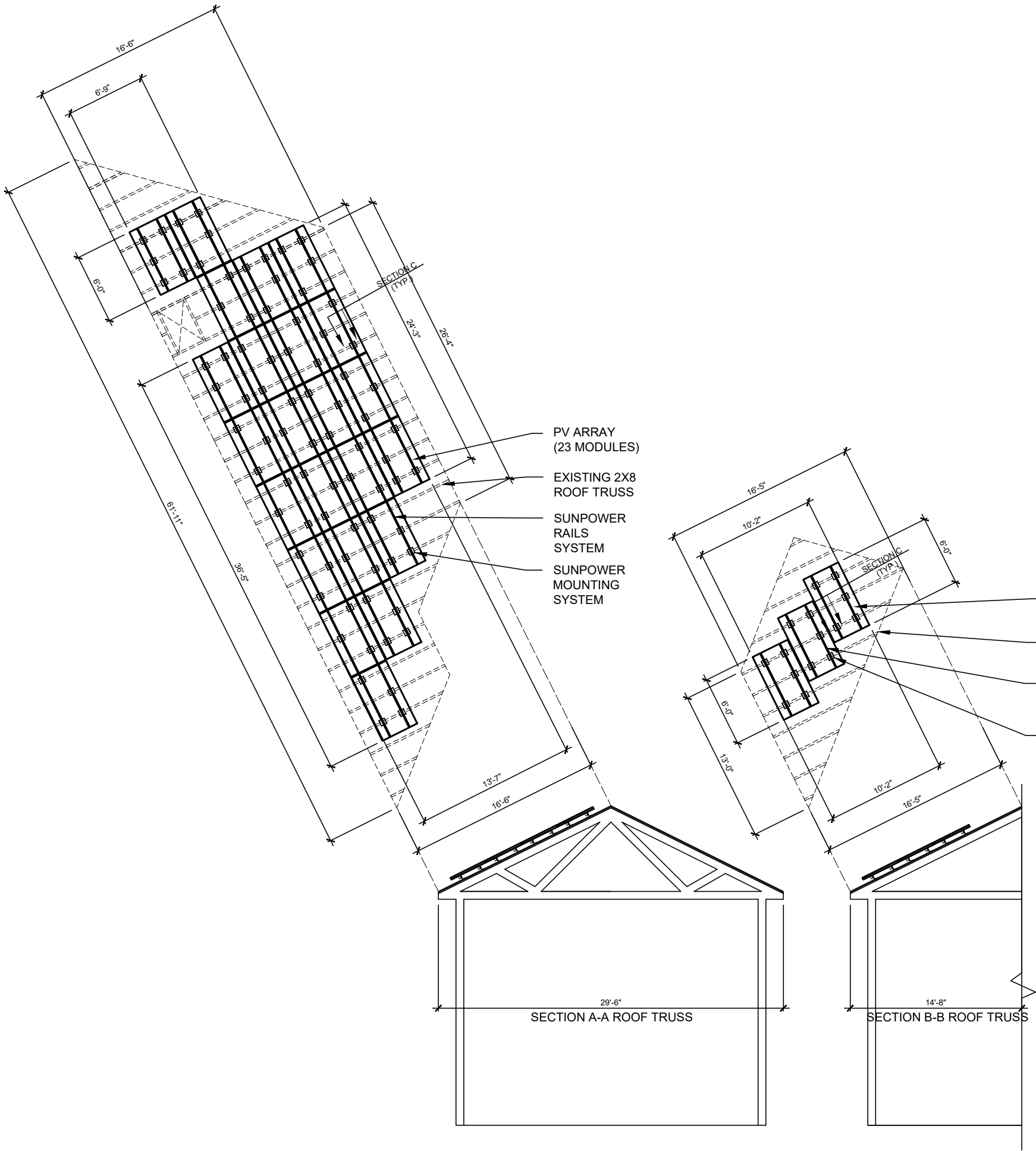
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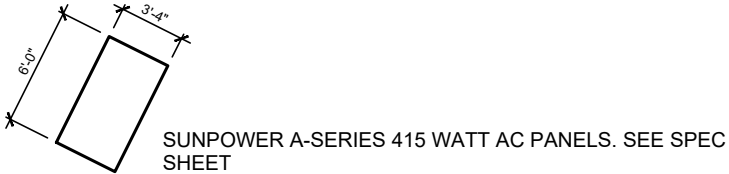
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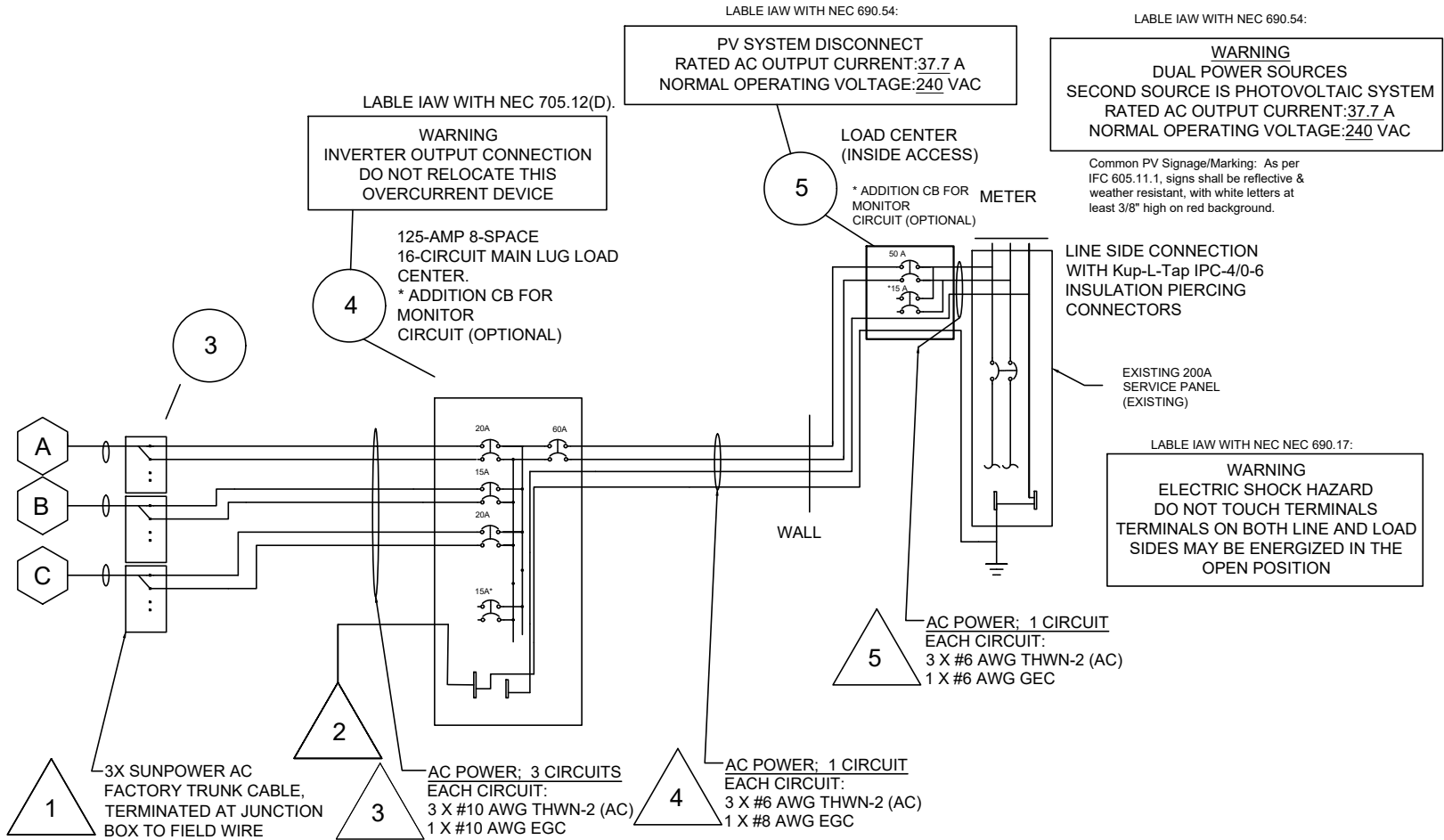
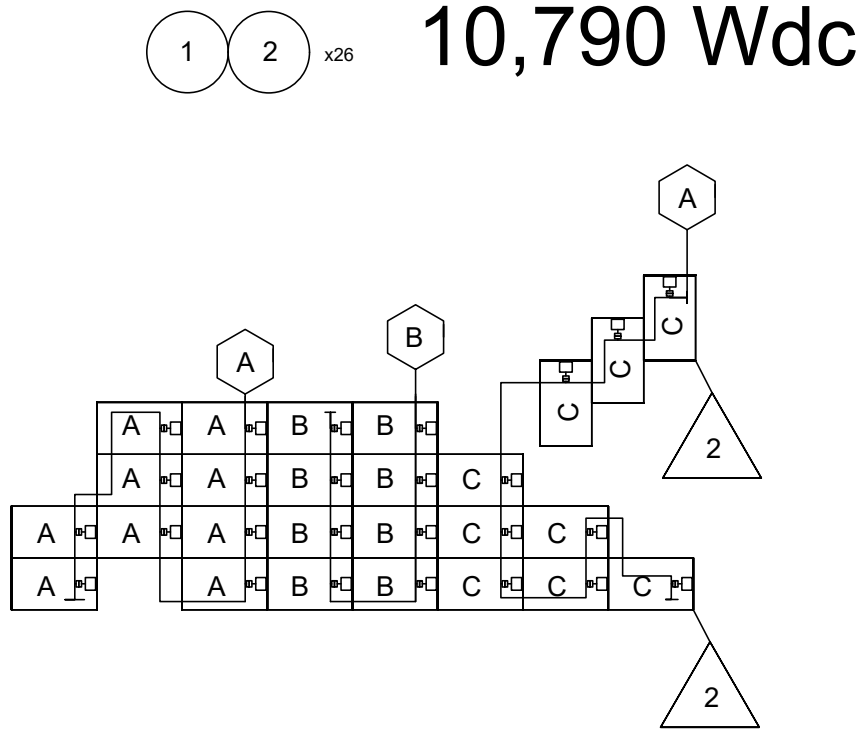
MOUNTING LAYOUT LEGEND

- ===== EXISTING ROOF TRUSS @ 16" O.C. (2"X8")
- ◊ SUNPOWER L FOOT FOR ASPHALT ROOFS, WEATHER PROOF WITH APPROVED ROOFING METHOD.
- SUNPOWER INVISIMOUNT RAIL, FIELD SPLICE AND TRIM









EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE				
TAG	NAME	P/N	QTY	NOTES
1	SOLAR MODULES	SunPower A-Series 415-watt Type-G AC panels	26	3 CIRCUIT
2	MicroInverters	SUNPOWER FACTORY ul	26	Mounted to modules at factory
3	JUNCTION BOX	Field determined	3	JUNCTION BOX, LOCATED ON ROOF
4	LOAD CENTER	125-AMP 8-SPACE 16- CIRCUIT MAIN LUG LOAD CENTER. OR EQUIV	1	WITH 60 CB SERVING OUTSIDE AC DISCO
5	AC Disco	AC LOAD CENTER, TWO SPACE, 50A OCPD	1	For INSIDE access. 240VAC, 70A.

WIRE SCHEDULE (EACH CIRCUIT)				
TAG	DESCRIPTION	GAUGE	QTY	CONDUIT, DISTANCE
1	SUNPOWER AC Cable, 1-Ph (3-Wire) , CAP UNUSED CONNECTORS, CAP AS SHOWN	#10 (REF)	1	FACTORY CABLE, WITH INTEGRATED CONNECTORS. TIE TO MOUNTING RAILS. LENGTH OF ARRAY
2	CONTINUOUS EGC #10 COPPER RACKING SYSTEM TO EARTH GROUND -	#10	1	ROUTED WITH PV WIRE, THEN IN CONDUIT AFTER JUNCTION BOX
3	AC POWER FROM ROOF JB's TO AC LOAD CENTER THWN-2 (240 VAC) MAX DERATING CURRENT (SEE CALCS PAGE); MAX VOLTAGE (SEE CALCS PAGE)	#10 (L1, L2), #10 (EGC)	3	ROUTES ACROSS ROOF AND DOWN SIDE OF BUILDING TO LOAD CENTER/ SWITCH NEAR METER, IN EMT. APPROX. 100 FEET. IF ROUTED INDOORS, NM CABLE PERMISSIBLE
4	LOAD CENTER TO AC DISCO AND TO MAIN SERVICE PANEL THWN-2 (240 VAC) MAX DERATING CURRENT (SEE CALCS PAGE); MAX VOLTAGE (SEE CALCS PAGE)	#6 (L1, L2, N), #8 (EGC)	4	ROUTES ACROSS SIDE OF BUILDING TO AC Disco FEET, EMT
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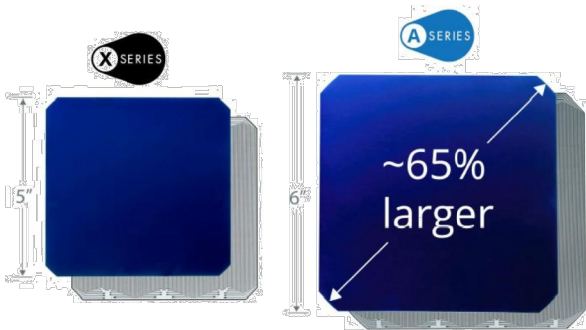
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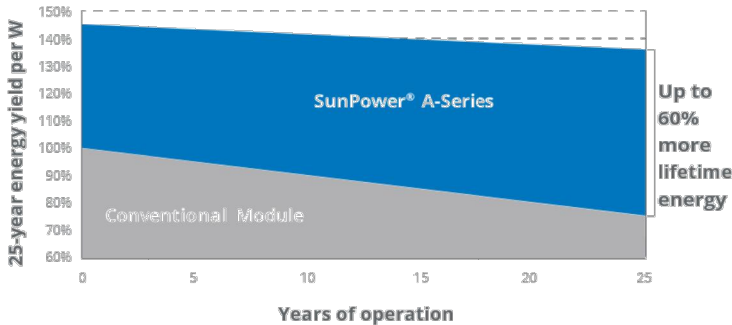
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AC Electrical Data	
Inverter Model: SPWR-A4	@240 VAC
Peak Output Power	366 VA
Max. Continuous Output Power	349 VA
Nom. (L–L) Voltage/Range <sup>2</sup> (V)	240 / 211–264
Max. Continuous Output Current (A)	1.45
Max. Units per 20 A (L–L) Branch Circuit <sup>3</sup>	11
CEC Weighted Efficiency	97.0%
Nom. Frequency	60 Hz
Extended Frequency Range	47–68 Hz
AC Short Circuit Fault Current Over 3 Cycles	5.8 A rms
Overvoltage Class AC Port	III
AC Port Backfeed Current	18 mA
Power Factor Setting	1.0
Power Factor (adjustable)	0.7 lead. / 0.7 lag.

DC Power Data			
	SPR-A425-G-AC	SPR-A415-G-AC	SPR-A400-G-AC
Nom. Power <sup>5</sup> (P <sub>nom</sub> )	425 W	415 W	400 W
Power Tol.	+5/–0%	+5/–0%	+5/–0%
Module Efficiency	22.8	22.3	21.5
Temp. Coef. (Power)	–0.29%/°C		
Shade Tol.	Integrated module-level max. power point tracking		

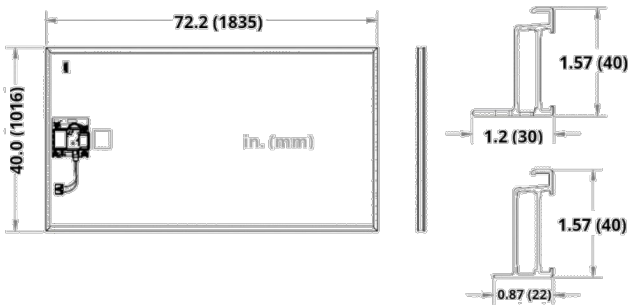
Tested Operating Conditions	
Operating Temp.	–40°F to +140°F (–40°C to +60°C)
Max. Ambient Temp.	122°F (50°C)
Max. Load	Wind: 62 psf, 3000 Pa, 305 kg/m <sup>2</sup> front & back Snow: 125 psf, 6000 Pa, 611 kg/m <sup>2</sup> front
Impact Resistance	1 inch (25 mm) diameter hail at 52 mph (23 m/s)

Mechanical Data	
Solar Cells	66 Monocrystalline Maxeon Gen 5
Front Glass	High-transmission tempered glass with anti-reflective coating
Environmental Rating	Outdoor rated
Frame	Class 1 black anodized (highest AAMA rating)
Weight	46.5 lbs (21.1 kg)
Recommended Max. Module Spacing	1.3 in. (33 mm)

- 1 SunPower 415 W, 22.2% efficient, compared to a Conventional Panel on same-sized arrays (260 W, 16% efficient, approx. 1.6 m<sup>2</sup>), 7.9% more energy per watt (based on PVsyst pan files for avg. US climate), 0.5%/yr slower degradation rate (Jordan, et. al. "Robust PV Degradation Methodology and Application." PVSC 2018).
- 2 Based on search of datasheet values from websites of top 10 manufacturers per IHS, as of January 2019.
- 3 #1 rank in "Fraunhofer PV Durability Initiative for Solar Modules: Part 3," PVTech Power Magazine, 2015. Campeau, Z. et al. "SunPower Module Degradation Rate," SunPower white paper, 2013.
- 4 Factory set to 1547a-2014 default settings. CA Rule 21 default settings profile set during commissioning. See the Equinox Installation Guide #518101 for more information.
- 5 Standard Test Conditions (1000 W/m<sup>2</sup> irradiance, AM 1.5, 25°C). NREL calibration standard: SOMS current, LACCS FF and voltage. All DC voltage is fully contained within the module.
- 6 This product is UL Listed as PVRSF and conforms with NEC 2014 and NEC 2017 690.12; and C22.1-2015 Rule 64-218 Rapid Shutdown of PV Systems, for AC and DC conductors; when installed according to manufacturer's instructions.

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Warranties, Certifications, and Compliance	
Warranties	• 25-year limited power warranty • 25-year limited product warranty
Certifications and Compliance	• UL 1703 • UL 1741 / IEEE-1547 • UL 1741 AC Module (Type 2 fire rated) • UL 62109-1 / IEC 62109-2 • FCC Part 15 Class B • ICES-0003 Class B • CAN/CSA-C22.2 NO. 107.1-01 • CA Rule 21 (UL 1741 SA) <sup>4</sup> (Includes Volt/Var and Reactive Power Priority) • UL Listed PV Rapid Shutdown Equipment <sup>6</sup>  Enables installation in accordance with: • NEC 690.6 (AC module) • NEC 690.12 Rapid Shutdown (inside and outside the array) • NEC 690.15 AC Connectors, 690.33(A)–(E)(1)  When used with InvisiMount racking and InvisiMount accessories (UL 2703): • Module grounding and bonding through InvisiMount • Class A fire rated When used with AC module Q Cables and accessories (UL 6703 and UL 2238) <sup>6</sup> : • Rated for load break disconnect
PID Test	Potential-induced degradation free



Module Fire Performance: Type 2  
Please read the Safety and Installation Instructions 532628 for additional details.

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Simple and Fast Installation

- Integrated module-to-rail grounding
- Pre-assembled mid and end clamps
- Levitating mid clamp for easy placement
- Mid clamp width facilitates even module spacing
- Simple, pre-drilled rail splice
- UL 2703 Listed integrated grounding

Flexible Design

- Addresses nearly all sloped residential roofs
- Design in landscape and portrait
- Rails enable easy obstacle management

Customer-Preferred Aesthetics

- #1 module and #1 mounting aesthetics
- Best-in-class system aesthetics
- Premium, low-profile design
- Black anodized components
- Hidden mid clamps and end clamps hardware, and capped, flush rails

Part of Superior System

- Built for use with SunPower DC and AC modules
- Best-in-class system reliability and aesthetics
- Combine with SunPower modules and monitoring app

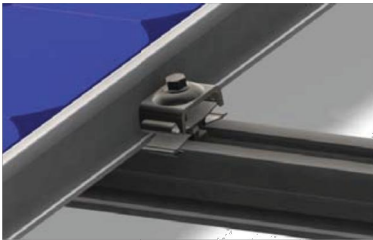


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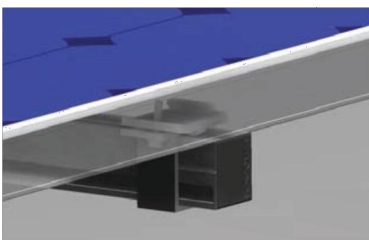
SunPower® InvisiMount™ is a SunPower-designed rail-based mounting system. The InvisiMount system addresses residential sloped roofs and combines faster installation time, design flexibility, and superior aesthetics. The InvisiMount product was specifically envisioned and engineered to pair with SunPower modules. The resulting system-level approach will amplify the aesthetic and installation benefits for both homeowners and installers.

InvisiMount Component Images

Module\* / Mid Clamp and Rail



Module\* / End Clamp and Rail



Mid Clamp



End Clamp



Rail & Rail Splice



Ground Lug Assembly



End Cap



InvisiMount Component Details

Component	Material	Weight
Mid Clamp	Black oxide stainless steel AISI 304	63 g (2.2 oz)
End Clamp	Black anodized aluminum alloy 6063-T6	110 g (3.88 oz)
Rail	Black anodized aluminum alloy 6005-T6	830 g/m (9 oz/ft)
Rail Splice	Aluminum alloy 6005-T5	830 g/m (9 oz/ft)
Ground Lug Assembly	304 stainless (A2-70 bolt; tin-plated copper lug)	106.5 g/m (3.75 oz)
End Cap	Black acetal (POM) copolymer	10.4 g (0.37 oz)

Roof Attachment Hardware Supported by InvisiMount System Design Tool

Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Composition Shingle Rafter Attachment</li><li>• Composition Shingle Roof Decking Attachment</li><li>• Curved and Flat Tile Roof Attachment</li><li>• Universal Interface for Other Roof Attachments</li></ul>
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InvisiMount Operating Conditions

Temperature	~40° C to 90° C (~40° F to 194° F)
Max. Load	2400 Pa uplift 5400 Pa downforce

InvisiMount Warranties And Certifications

Warranties	25-year product warranty 5-year finish warranty
Certifications	UL 2703 Listed Class A fire rating when distance between roof surface and bottom of SunPower module frame is ≤ 3.5"

Roof Attachment Hardware Warranties

Refer to roof attachment hardware manufacturer's documentation



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\*Module frame that is compatible with the InvisiMount system required for hardware interoperability.

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