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TO: Mayor Pugh and the Board of Trustees
FROM: Robert Luntz, Chairman of the Planning Board
RE: Local Law Introductory 1-2024
DATE: February 8th, 2024

At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 6th, 2024, the Planning Board of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson reviewed the referral from the Village Board regarding Local Law Introductory 1 of 2024 to amend and update provisions of Chapter 230, Zoning, of the Village Code.

The Planning Board suggested some changes in the wording, as follows:

*A. Legislative intent and purpose. The purpose of this section is to allow and encourage non-solar renewable energy systems that harness geothermal energy within **residential and business districts** according to certain safeguards and conditions.*

The Planning Board suggests: Legislative intent and purpose. The purpose of this section is to allow and encourage non-solar renewable energy systems that harness geothermal energy within **the Village**.

*B. Geothermal Energy System – An energy system that uses heat or power **from the earth's core** for heating, cooling, or generating other types of energy.*

The Planning Board suggests: Geothermal Energy System – An energy system that uses heat or power **from under the ground** for heating, cooling, or generating other types of energy.

D. All borings and loops shall be set back at least 10 feet from the foundation of any structure.

The Planning Board suggests: All borings and loops shall be set back at least 10 feet from the foundation of any structure, **unless approved otherwise by the Village Engineer**. This would allow for some redaction to some foundation like slab foundation for sheds.