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## FLEET INSTALLS 500TH EV CHARGER, 37 SOLAR CARPORTS

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On March 28, DCAS Commissioner Lisette Camilo, NYC Chief Fleet Officer Keith Kerman, and Assistant Principal James Barron cut the ribbon on the City fleet 500th electric charging station, which is also our 37th citywide solar carport. This completes the first phase of our solar carport initiative. The 500th charger is located at the Bronx Theatre High School at the JFK Campus.

NYC Fleet has been operating electric cars since the donation of Toyota Rav 4 EVs in 1998. These units were discussed in the clearly premature “Who killed the electric car” documentary. The real momentum in fleet electrification has come under Mayor de Blasio’s NYC Clean Fleet Plan. NYC now operates 1,300 on road plug in vehicles, 500 charging units, with much more to come.

The most exciting aspect of this program continues to be our partnership with the Department of Education at 7 schools, including Bronx Theatre, where students are learning to drive and getting their licenses in all electric vehicles provided by DCAS. Bronx Theatre is now the second school where the units will also be charged exclusively by the sun using a solar carport.

Many thanks and congratulations to the 16 separate City agencies who manage this charging network in partnership with DCAS. We look forward to reaching additional milestones in vehicles and chargers as quickly as we can.



## FLEET SPOTLIGHT: JENNIFER ROBERTON, SUSTAINABILITY

**LENIN FIERRO**

Keeping to the themes of vehicle electrification and Women’s History Month, this week’s spotlight is on Jennifer “Jen” Robertson. Jen currently serves as a Transportation Policy Advisor for the Mayor’s Office of Sustainability and she is helping to lead efforts to promote electric vehicle adoption citywide and expand public EV charging.

Jen is a graduate of The University of British Columbia and hold a Master’s Degree in City and Urban Community Planning where she was awarded the Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship.

Prior to coming to NYC, Jen spent six years in urban planning with non-profits in Toronto and also worked for the City of Toronto promoting alternative modes of transportation as a Smart Commute Specialist.

Jen is now focused on greening private and public vehicles in NYC and helping expand electric and plug in vehicle adoption. Jen joined DCAS in presenting on electrification last week along with the Mayor and Fleet Chief of Austin, Texas in a program for the National Conference of Mayors.

Jennifer finds her position very rewarding especially thanks to her new colleagues. “I love the people that I work with.” said Jen. “It’s an honor to work with so many knowledgeable coworkers that I can learn from.” Jen resides in Long Island City with her domestic partner Marsha. She is an avid cyclist and recently has taken up boxing. Many thanks to Jen, her predecessor Ben Mandel, and to Sustainability for all their partnership.

