

To: Distribution

From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TF CG) was held on December 10, 2008. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams	OCCS	(240) 777-3762
Steve Batterden	DGS, ORE	(240) 777-6063
Dave Niblock	DPS	(240) 777-6252
John Cuff	OMB	
Carlton Gilbert	M-NCPPC	(301) 495-4577
Helen Mu (via phone)	DTS	(240) 777-2804

STAFF

Bob Hunnicutt	CTC	(301) 933-1488
David Doulong	CTC	(301) 933-1488

OTHER ATTENDEES

Adam Knubel	NB&C/Sprint/Xohm
Sean Hughes	for Cricket
Bill O'Brien	Smartlink for Cricket
Thomas Davy	ATC/Cricket
Michael Kelly	Smartlink for Cricket

Action Item Meeting Minutes: Dave Niblock moved the minutes be approved as written. Carlton Gilbert seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Action Item Consent Agenda Applications:

1. Verizon Wireless application to replace twelve 52" antennas with six 71" and six 47" antennas at the 131' level on a 139' high WSSC water tank located at 8505 Aqueduct Road in Rockville (Application #200803-14).
2. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 62' level atop a 58' Postal Training Facility building at 10130 Democracy Boulevard in Potomac (Application #200810-15).
3. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 113' level of the penthouse walls atop the Aurora Condominium building at 7915 Eastern Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200811-03).
4. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at multiple levels (175', 185' and 200') of a 195' Classic Residence building at 8100 Connecticut Avenue in Chevy Chase (Application #200811-11).
5. Sprint/Xohm application to attach seven dish antennas (five 8" and two 30") atop the roof at the 170' level of an existing 175' Chateau Apartment building at 9727 Mount Pisgah Road in Silver Spring (Application #200811-19).
6. Sprint/Xohm application to attach four dish antennas (two 8" and two 15") at the 185' level of the existing 190' Oakmont tower located at 16801 Oakmont Avenue in Gaithersburg (Application #200812-02).

7. Sprint/Xohm application to attach three dish antennas (two 15" and one 35") on the roof at the 95' level atop an 85' Londonderry Apartment building located at 17060 King James Way in Gaithersburg (Application #200812-03).
8. Sprint/Xohm application to attach two 35" dish antennas at the 122' and 124' levels of a 121' monopole at the Airpark Industrial Center located at 7707 Airpark Road in Gaithersburg (Application #200812-05).
9. Sprint/Xohm application to attach one 8" dish antenna at the 127' level of the 125' WSSC Brink water tank located at 21701 Ridge Road in Germantown (Application #200812-06).
10. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 164' level of an existing 194' monopole on the Weitzer property located at 14705 Sugarland Road in Poolesville (Application #200812-07).
11. Sprint/Xohm application to attach one 15" dish antenna at the 173' level atop a 160' Parkside Plaza condominium building located at 9039 Sligo Creek Parkway in Silver Spring (Application #200812-08).
12. Sprint/Xohm application to attach six dish antennas (three 6" at the 210' level, two 30" at the 215' level and one 15" at the 215' level) on an existing 250' lattice tower at Montgomery College located at 20200 Observation Road in Germantown (Application #200812-09).
13. Sprint/Xohm application to attach two 8" dish antennas at the 138' level of a 130' Park Montgomery apartment building located at 8860 Piney Branch Road in Silver Spring (Application #200812-11).
14. Sprint/Xohm application to attach six dish antennas (three 8" and one 12" at the 265' level and two 35" at the 260' level) on an existing 700' WWDC lattice tower located at 8744 Brookeville Road in Silver Spring (Application #200812-12).
15. Sprint/Xohm application to attach two dish antennas (one 8" at the 167' level and one 35" at the 177' level) on the 159' Chevy Chase building located at 5530 Wisconsin Ave in Chevy Chase (Application #200812-13).
16. Sprint/Xohm application to attach one 8" dish antenna at the 108' level of a 92' Sudbury House Condominiums building at 2100 Washington Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200812-14).
17. Sprint/Xohm application to attach one 8" dish antenna at the 75' level of a 62' Ramada Inn building at 7990 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200812-15).
18. Sprint/Xohm application to attach one 8" dish antenna at the 142' level of a 138' East-West Towers building at 4350 East-West Highway in Bethesda (Application #200812-16).
19. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 127' level of an existing 150' monopole on Host Marriott Corporation property at 12450 Milestone Center Drive in Germantown (Application #200812-20).

20. Cricket application to attach six 72" antennas at the 130' level atop the roof of a 117' Park Montgomery II building at 8830 Piney Branch Road in Silver Spring (Application #200812-21).
21. Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 170' level of a 105' lattice tower on the roof of the 118' World Building located at 8121 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200812-22).
22. Cricket application to attach four 72" antennas at the 111' level of atop a 95' high Hampshire Towers building at 7401 New Hampshire Avenue in Takoma Park (Application #200812-23).

Motion: Carlton Gilbert moved the Consent agenda be recommended. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 120' level of an existing 180' monopole at the Old Burtonsville VFD site located at 15430 Old Columbia Road in Burtonsville (Application #200810-12).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that his recommendation was conditioned on compliance with §59-A-6.14 of the zoning ordinance for screening and design of the equipment on the ground.

Motion: John Cuff moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 115' level of an existing 125' monopole on the Leaman property located at 13820 Clopper Road in Boyds (Application #200810-16).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that his recommendation was conditioned on notifying the Board of Appeals of a change in name of the property owner.

Motion: Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 92' level of an existing 125' AT&T Long Line lattice tower located at 12419 Middlebrook Road in Germantown (Application #200810-17).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that his recommendation was conditioned on reinforcing the tower per the structural analysis before the antennas are attached.

Motion: Helen Mu moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. John Cuff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 115' level of a 112' PEPCO transmission line tower #637-N located at 13900 Piney Meeting House Road in Potomac (Application #200812-19).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that his recommendation was conditioned on compliance with §59-A-6.14 of the zoning ordinance for screening and design of the equipment on the ground.

Motion: Dave Niblock moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Carlton Gilbert seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Cricket application to attach three 72" antennas at the 110' level of an existing 150' monopole on Colesville Center property at 49 Randolph Road in Silver Spring (Application #200810-10).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that his recommendation was conditioned on submission of a structural analysis and any modifications that may be necessary to the special exception to place equipment on the rooftop of the equipment shelter and on the ground outside the shelter.

Motion: Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Steve Batterden seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Discussion Item 2009 TFCG Meeting Schedule: The group endorsed the schedule for meeting on the first Wednesday of each month for 2009.

Discussion Item Cliff Royalty response regarding TFCG recommendations: Marjorie Williams explained that in reply to the questions raised at the last meeting as reflected in the minutes, Mr. Royalty expressed that it may be more appropriate to recommend applications that do not meet all the zoning requirements conditioned on approval by the Board of Appeals instead of not recommending the application and sending the wrong message to the Board.

Mr. Hunnicutt added that he understood that the TFCG could not recommend applications for reasons other than zoning issues so as to not prejudge a decision by the Board of Appeals as Mr. Royalty expressed it in his e-mail reply. He said that he would continue to note when applications do not meet the zoning standards for the groups consideration as they move to act on application.

Discussion Item Appointment of new Cable Administrator: Marjorie Williams announced that Mitsi Herrera was named as the new Cable Administrator and that she would attend the January TFCG meeting.

The next meeting of the TFCG is scheduled for Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at 2 p.m. in the second floor conference room #225 of the COB.