



DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

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MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications Corporation (CTC)

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on December 7, 2016. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams		DTS
Thomas Williamson		DGS
Dave Niblock		DPS
Ted Bowser		DTS
Gregory Russ		MNCPPC
Boyd Lawrence	(via phone)	MCPS
Martin Rookard	(via phone)	WSSC
Naeem Mia	(via phone)	OMB

STAFF

Nancy Rodriguez		CTC
Lee Afflerbach		CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

Wesley Winner		SCE, Inc. for Verizon Wireless
Josh Schakola	(via phone)	MasTec for Verizon Wireless
Jennifer Kirkhart	(via phone)	Resident

Action Item: Meeting Minutes

Motion: Martin Rookard moved that the November minutes be approved as written. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Consent Agenda

1. **Application number:** 201612-03 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 31 October 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Daly Elementary School / 20301 Brandermill Drive, Germantown
Zoning Standard: R-90, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Board of Education
Description: Add three 93"-high panel antennas at the 90' level on a 100'-high monopole.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on written approval from MCPS that they approve of the attachment at the time of permitting.

2. **Application number:** 201612-06 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 10 November 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Rockville Measuring Station/ 15030 Frederick Road, Rockville
Zoning Standard: IL, Limited Use **Property Owner:** CNS Microwave Inc.
Description: Add three 57"-high panel antennas at 165' level on a 188'-high lattice tower.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

3. **Application number:** 201612-07 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 14 November 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Oakview Recreation Assn. / 1101 Corliss St, Silver Spring
Zoning Standard: R-90, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Oakview Recreation Corp.
Description: Add an emergency power generator and propane tank within the existing equipment area.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

4. **Application number:** 201612-08 **Type:** Co-location **Received:** 14 November 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile **Revised:** 29 November 2016
Site Name/Location: Village Square Apartments / 12011 Viers Mill Rd, Wheaton
Zoning Standard: R-30, Limited use **Property Owner:** Louis Grossberg
Description: Add three 96"-high panel antennas at the 50' level inside a stealth cylinder on an existing apartment building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

5. **Application number:** 201701-02 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 28 November 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: PEPCO #195-S / 4751 Sandy Spring Road, Burtonsville
Zoning Standard: R-200 – Limited Use **Property Owner:** PEPCO
Description: Replace three antennas with three 73"-high panel antennas and add three RRUs at the 149' level on a 150'-high PEPCO transmission line tower.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended.

6. **Application number:** 201701-03 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 28 November 2016
Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Park Montgomery Apartments / 8860 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring
Zoning Standard: R-H –Limited Use **Property Owner:** Park Montgomery, LP
Description: Add three remote radio units (RRU) behind three existing antennas at the 141' level atop a 133'-high apartment building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended.

Motion: Dave Niblock moved that all items on the Consent Agenda be recommended. Thomas Williamson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Regular Agenda

7. **Application number:** 201609-37 **Type:** Colocation **Received (date):** 15 August 2016
Applicant: WSSC
Site Name/Location: Damascus Tower/ 26149 Ridge Road, Gaithersburg
Zoning Standard: I-1, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Montgomery County
Description: Attach one 29"-high omni-directional antenna at the 240' level on a 252'-high lattice tower.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on the applicant providing written approval from Montgomery County that they approve of the attachment at the time of permitting.

Nancy Rodriguez reported that at its September 7th TFCG meeting the committee tabled this application at the request of Thomas Williamson until WSSC submits a structural analysis report to DGS for review. We are placing this application on the agenda again to see if the request has been fulfilled.

Thomas Williamson reported that he has yet to receive a structural from WSSC. In addition, July Miller has expressed interested in collocating on this tower to support the public safety radio project and Mr. Williamson would like to table the application until he knows how public safety radio project is moving forward.

Motion: Thomas Williamson moved that the application be tabled. Martin Rookard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

8. **Application number:** 201611-126 **Type:** New Tower **Received:** 3 October 2016
Applicant: Verizon Wireless **Revised:** 29 November 2016
Site Name/Location: Extra Space Parklawn / 12030 Parklawn Drive, Rockville
Zoning Standard: IL-1.10,H-50 - Limited Use **Property Owner:** ESS Prisa, LLC
Description: Construct a 100'-high monopole and attach twelve 96"-high panel antennas at the 100' level.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

Nancy Rodriguez reported that Verizon Wireless is constructing a 100'-high monopole next to the Extra Space Storage building located in an industrial area in Rockville. The monopole is located next to a wooded area and a U-Haul storage facility which will conceal the monopole from nearby residences except for the top of the monopole. Based on RF maps provided with the application there is a need for the monopole as requested to meet the desired coverage objectives. The monopole appears to meet setback requirements therefore we recommend this application.

Thomas Williamson asked if the monopole will support antennas from additional carriers. Lee Afflerbach confirmed that the plans submitted with the application indicate the monopole will support antennas from two additional carriers.

Motion: Dave Niblock moved that the application be recommended. Gregory Russ seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

9. **Application number:** 201612-05 **Type:** Co-location **Received:** 7 November 2016

Applicant: Verizon Wireless **Revised:** 23 November 2016

Site Name/Location: Sligo Creek Radio Tower / 9701 Sligo Creek Parkway

Zoning Standard: R-60 – Limited Use **Property Owner:** M-NCPPC

Description: Attach twelve 72'-high panel antennas at the 120' level on a 247'-high lattice broadcast radio tower.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on the applicant providing written approval from M-NCPPC that they approve of the attachment at time of permitting.

Nancy Rodriguez reported that Verizon Wireless is refiling this application at the request of M-NCPPC. The last application filed by Verizon Wireless to attach antennas to this tower was recommended by the TFCG at its March 2016 meeting.

Motion: Ted Bowser moved that the application be recommended. Thomas Williamson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TFCG will be held on January 4th, 2016 in Room #225 of the COB.