



**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 November 2, 2016. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams		DTS
Thomas Williamson		DGS
Patricia Wolford		DPS
Ted Bowser		DTS
Boyd Lawrence		MCPS
Gregory Russ		MNCPPC
Martin Rookard	(via phone)	WSSC

STAFF

Nancy Rodriguez	(via phone)	CTC
Robert Hunnicutt	(via phone)	CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

Harold Bernadizkowski	(via phone)	NB&C for Verizon Wireless
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**Discussion Item:** Marjorie Williams informed the group that the County Council held a public forum to discuss the DAS applications from Crown Castle and Mobilitie last week at which there was considerable resident opposition to the proposed new facilities. Over 300 residents attended the meeting. She noted that as a result to the opposition, the Crown Castle attorney stated Crown would toll the FCC shot clock time limits for processing the applications. Consequently, the applications are not on today's agenda. She also mentioned that a Mobilitie representative also asked the County to place a hold on their applications until they decided internally how to move forward.

Ms. Williams also said that, to maintain order at the TFCG meetings, she would announce at the start of future TFCG meetings that the TFCG is a public meeting and no comment from the public would be solicited or permitted.

**Action Item: Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** Gregory Russ moved that the October minutes be approved as written. Ted Bowser seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item: Consent Agenda**

**Application number:** 201610-04 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 26 August 2016  
**Applicant:** Verizon Wireless  
**Site Name/Location:** Renaissance Plaza Apartments / 14000 Castle Blvd, Silver Spring  
**Zoning Standard:** R-H, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Green Castle LP  
**Description:** Replace 9 antennas with 9 panel antennas, six 96"-high and three 75"-high, at the 104', 112', and 116' levels on a 126'-high apartment building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended.

**Application number:** 201610-58 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 07 September 2016  
**Applicant:** Verizon Wireless  
**Site Name/Location:** EZ Storage-Takoma Park / 1352 Holton Lane, Takoma Park  
**Zoning Standard:** C-2, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Takoma Park Land LLLP  
**Description:** Add six RRHs at the 39' level on a 57'-high storage building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended.

**Application number:** 201611-03 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 27 September 2016  
**Applicant:** Verizon Wireless  
**Site Name/Location:** Democracy Plaza II / 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda  
**Zoning Standard:** I-3, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Rock Spring Properties  
**Description:** Add an emergency power generator at the 125' level atop a 110'-high office building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended.

**Application number:** 201611-04 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 27 September 2016  
**Applicant:** AT&T  
**Site Name/Location:** Rinaldi Property / 15700 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring  
**Zoning Standard:** R-60, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Rock Spring Properties  
**Description:** Replace three antennas with three 96"-high panel antennas and add six RRHs at the 68' and 82' levels on a 73'-high tower.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended.

**Application number:** 201612-01 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received:** 27 September 2016  
**Applicant:** Sprint  
**Site Name/Location:** Silver Spring VFD / 111 University Blvd East, Olney  
**Zoning Standard:** RE-2, Limited Use **Property Owner:** Patricia Rinaldi  
**Description:** Add three 42"-high panel antennas at the 76' level on a 120'-high monopole.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended.

Ms. Williams noted that the address for item #2 on the Consent Agenda had a typo showing the address as 1353; but the correct address was 1352. Mr. Rookard commented that a revised agenda had been issued that morning.

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

**Regular Agenda**

***Application number:*** 201611-01 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received:*** 15 September 2016

***Applicant:*** T-Mobile

***Site Name/Location:*** Northwest Station / 11801 Nebel Street, Rockville

***Zoning Standard:*** I-4, Limited Use ***Property Owner:*** Washington Gas

***Description:*** Attach up to nine panel antennas, six 56"-high and three 93"-high, and one 2'-wide dish antenna at the 138' level on a 145'-high monopole.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended.

Rodriguez summarized the application. There was no discussion.

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

***Application number:*** 201611-02 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received:*** 22 September 2016

***Applicant:*** Verizon Wireless

***Site Name/Location:*** Pooks Hill Apartments / 3 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda

***Zoning Standard:*** R-H, Limited Use ***Property Owner:*** Pooks Hill Development Corp.

***Description:*** Attach twelve panel antennas, six 75"-high and six 96"-high, at the 96' level atop a 90'-high apartment building.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended

Ms. Rodriguez summarized the application. There was no discussion.

**Motion:** Martin Rookard moved that the application be recommended. Gregory Russ seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

***Application number:*** 201611-124 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received:*** 10 October 2016

***Applicant:*** AT&T

***Site Name/Location:*** Wentworth House / 5411 McGrath Boulevard, North Bethesda

***Zoning Standard:*** CR-4, Limited Use ***Property Owner:*** LCOR N. Bethesda Residential I LLC

***Description:*** Attach up to nine panel antennas, six 72"-high and three 73"-high at the 184' level on a 160'-high building.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended.

Ms. Rodriguez summarized the application noting AT&T filed a similar application in 2013 which was recommended by the TFCG, but AT&T never attached their antennas. There was no discussion.

**Motion:** Ted Bowser moved that the application be recommended. Patricia Wolford seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

***Application number:*** 201611-125 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received:*** 11 October 2016

***Applicant:*** T-Mobile

***Site Name/Location:*** EZ Storage-Takoma Park / 1352 Holton Lane, Takoma Park

***Zoning Standard:*** C-2, Limited Use ***Property Owner:*** Takoma Park Land LLLP

***Description:*** Attach up to nine panel antennas, six 56"-high and three 93"-high, and one 2'-wide dish antenna at the 67' level on a 57'-high storage building.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended.

Ms. Rodriguez summarized the application. There was no discussion.

**Motion:** Martin Rookard moved that the application be recommended. Gregory Russ seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

***Application number:*** 201612-02 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received:*** 21 October 2016

***Applicant:*** Sprint

***Site Name/Location:*** Shady Grove Medical Center / 9850 Key West Avenue, Rockville

***Zoning Standard:*** CR-1.0, C-0.5, R-1.0, H-1.5, Limited Use ***Property Owner:*** HSRE-Capmed Shady Grove Medical Village LLC

***Description:*** Attach nine panel antennas, six 72"-high and three 56"-high, one 2'-wide dish antenna and 9 RRHs at the 63' and 68' levels atop a 54'-high office building.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended

Ms. Williams noted that these antennas are presently atop the Public Service Training Academy observation tower which the County is demolishing and has asked all carriers to vacate that facility as soon as possible. Ms. Rodriguez added that the TFCG recommended a similar application from T-Mobile at its October 2016 meeting.

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

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TFCG will be held on December 07, 2016 in Room #225 of the COB.