



DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

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MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: TFCG Staff (CTC Technology & Energy)

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on October 2, 2019. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams		TFCG Chair
Michelle Grace		M-NCPPC
Boyd Lawrence	(via phone)	MCPS
Thomas Williamson		DGS
Patricia Wolford		DPS
Alison Dollar		OMB
Gregory Russ	(via phone)	M-NCPPC
Max Stuckey	(via phone)	DTS
Daryl Braithwaite	(via phone)	City of Takoma Park

STAFF

Shawn Thompson	CTC
Jasmina Rivas	CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

Jordan Dewese	DTS
Justin Blanset	NB&C on behalf of RCS
Thaddeus Sheen	Verizon

Marjorie Williams opened the meeting by announcing that ZTA 19-07 was recently introduced by Councilmembers Riemer, Rice & Albornoz. The newly introduced ZTA would prescribe new rules for the siting of wireless facilities in the County's residential zones and would have the TFCG meet every 20 days to discuss completed applications. Marjorie Williams urged all TFCG members to review the new ZTA.

Action Item: Meeting Minutes

Motion: Patricia Wolford moved that the September minutes be approved as written. Michelle Grace seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

1. ***Application Number:*** 2019070900 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 7/11/2019
Revised: 8/28/2019
Revised: 8/29/2019

Applicant: T-Mobile

Site Name/Location: Clement Property/25217 Peach Tree Rd, Clarksburg

Zoning Standard: AR ***Property Owner:*** Lynwood Farm LP

Description: Remove and replace six antennas. Add 3 RRHs at 170' on an existing 192' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

2. ***Application Number:*** 2019070901 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 7/17/2019
Revised: 8/29/2019

Applicant: AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Fire Station 31/12100 Darnestown Rd, Gaithersburg

Zoning Standard: R-200 ***Property Owner:*** Montgomery County

Description: Add a 4' x 10' concrete pad in the existing equipment compound. Place a 30kW diesel generator on concrete pad.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

3. ***Application Number:*** 2019080949 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/13/2019
Revised: 8/29/2019

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel

Site Name/Location: Ramada Silver Spring/7990 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: CR-3.0 ***Property Owner:*** ELSS LLC

Description: Add one microwave dish antenna at 73' on an existing 62' building.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

4. ***Application Number:*** 2019080958 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/23/2019
Revised: 8/28/2019
Revised: 8/29/2019

Applicant: Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Public Storage Briggs Chaney/3351 Briggs Chaney Rd, Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: EOF-0.75 ***Property Owner:*** Shurgard Maryland Properties Inc

Description: Remove and replace twelve antennas and 6 RRHs at 120' on an existing 140' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

5. ***Application Number:*** 2019080971 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/27/2019
Revised: 8/30/2019

Applicant: Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Phillips Office Building/9420 Key West Ave, Rockville

Zoning Standard: LSC-1.0 ***Property Owner:*** Key West III LP

Description: Remove twelve antennas and 6 RRHs. Add six antennas and 6 RRHs at 53' on an existing 40' building.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

6. ***Application Number:*** 2019080939 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/12/2019
Revised: 9/3/2019

Applicant: AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Colesville Monopole/49 Randolph Road, Colesville/ Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: NR-0.75 ***Property Owner:*** A.I. GLENVIEW LLC

M & ML PATRIOT LLC ETAL

Description: Add three antennas and 3 RRHs at 123' on an existing 150' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

7. ***Application Number:*** 2019080933 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/8/2019
Revised: 8/19/2019
Revised: 9/6/2019
Revised: 9/11/2019
Revised: 9/12/2019

Applicant: AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Glenmont Tank/12413 (12405) Georgia Ave, Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: CR 2.0 ***Property Owner:*** WSSC

Description: Remove and replace three antennas. Add 3 RRHs at 153' on an existing 183' water tank.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on condition the applicant provides written approval from WSSC at the time of permitting. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

8. ***Application Number:*** 2019080957 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 8/14/2019
Revised: 9/10/2019

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel

Site Name/Location: Rockville Measuring Station/15030 Frederick Rd, Rockville

Zoning Standard: IM-2.5 ***Property Owner:*** Atlantic Seaboard Corp

Description: Remove and replace one microwave dish antenna at 120' on an existing 188' tower.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

9. **Application Number:** 2019090974 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 9/5/2019
Revised: 9/13/2019

Applicant: AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Fire Station 33/11430 Falls Rd, Potomac

Zoning Standard: R-200 **Property Owner:** Rockville Volunteer Fire Dept.

Description: Remove and replace three antennas. Add 3 RRHs at 141' on an existing 150' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

10. **Application Number:** 2019070916 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 7/29/2019
Revised: 9/17/2019

Applicant: T-Mobile

Site Name/Location: Quail Hill Farms/301 Quailhill Dr, Brookeville

Zoning Standard: R-C **Property Owner:** Andrew Austin

Description: Remove and replace three antennas and 3 RRHs at 170' on an existing 170' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

11. **Application Number:** 2019090979 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 9/17/2019
Revised: 9/24/2019

Applicant: AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Public Storage Prosperity/12355 Prosperity Ave, Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: CR-0.75 **Property Owner:** Public Storage LP

Description: Remove 3 RRHs. Add six antennas and 6 RRHs at 116' on an existing 140' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

Marjorie Williams announced that there would be changes made to item nine on the consent agenda. The applicant was contacted multiple times and had not paid the application fee. Therefore, the application was incomplete and would be removed from the agenda.

Motion: Gregory Russ moved that all items with the exception of item #9 on the Consent Agenda be recommended. Thomas Williamson seconded the motion and it was unanimously recommended.

Regular Agenda

12. **Application Number:** 2019050814 **Type:** New **Received (date):** 8/29/2019
Revised: 9/17/2019

Revised: 9/20/2019

Applicant: RCS Montgomery County

Site Name/Location: Brookeville Tower/4301 Brookeville Rd., Brookeville

Zoning Standard: AR ***Property Owner:*** Maller Jane C Trustee

Description: Construct a 230' self-supporting lattice tower and install four antennas and three microwave dish antennas at various height ranging from 179'5" to 225'. Install an 11'8" x 30' equipment shelter on a concrete foundation within a proposed 52' x 64' equipment compound surrounded by a chain-link fence.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on the condition that the applicant receives approval from the Planning Board through the Mandatory Referral process. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

Discussion:

Jasmina Rivas summarized the application. Michelle Grace added that the road the proposed tower is located off of (Brookville Rd) was considered to be a rustic road. Rustic and exceptional rustic roads are preserved under the Rustic Roads Program. Therefore, M-NCPPC would have to take this into account when reviewing this application at a later stage. Gregory Russ indicated that the recommendation that was given for all RCS towers (items #12 through #14 on the Regular Agenda) would need to be amended. He recommended it read as "Recommended on the condition that the applicant goes through the Mandatory Referral process and receives a recommendation from the Planning Board. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws". All other members agreed with amending the recommendations to read as such.

Motion: Patricia Wolford moved that the application be recommended. Boyd Lawrence seconded the motion. Gregory Russ abstained from voting and all other members unanimously recommended the application.

13. Application Number: 2019080961 ***Type:*** New ***Received (date):*** 8/29/2019

Revised: 9/13/2019

Revised: 9/19/2019

Applicant: RCS Montgomery County

Site Name/Location: Fire Station 16/111 University Blvd. E, Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: R-60 ***Property Owner:*** Silver Spring Volunteer Fire Department Inc.

Description: Construct a 195' monopole and install five antennas and two microwave dish antennas at various height ranging from 135' to 180'5". Install an 11'8" x 36' equipment shelter and internal diesel generator on a concrete foundation within a proposed 1,435 sq. ft. lease area.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on the condition that the applicant receives approval from the Planning Board through the Mandatory Referral process. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

Jasmina Rivas summarized the application. Michelle Grace added that the property surrounding the Fire Department property was owned by M-NCPPC and had an existing covenant that prohibited redevelopment on that property. They indicated to Justin Blanset, representing RCS, that all utility easement and construction on site would have to be done without disturbing any

part of M-NCPPC's adjacent property. Michelle also indicated that what was identified as a 128' monopole tower on M-NCPPC property was not a telecommunication facility, but actually a light pole. Justin Blanset was instructed to submit revised construction drawings that correctly labeled the 128' structure.

Motion: Patricia Wolford moved that the application be recommended. Max Stuckey seconded the motion. Gregory Russ and Michelle Grace abstained from voting and all other members unanimously recommended the application.

14. Application Number: 2019080965 Type: New Received (date): 8/29/2019

Revised: 9/16/2019

Revised: 9/20/2019

Applicant: RCS Montgomery County

Site Name/Location: Black Rock Tower/17410 Black Rock Rd., Germantown

Zoning Standard: AR Property Owner: MEJIA GEORGE

Description: Construct a 250' self-supporting lattice tower and install six antennas and two microwave dish antennas at various height ranging from 160' to 246'. Install an 11'8" x 40' equipment shelter and 100 kW diesel generator on a concrete foundation within a proposed 74' x 74' lease area surrounded by a chain-link fence.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on the condition that the applicant receives approval from the Planning Board through the Mandatory Referral process. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

Jasmina Rivas summarized the application. Michelle Grace added that the road the proposed tower is located off of (Blackrock Rd) was considered to be a rustic road. Rustic and exceptional rustic roads are preserved under the Rustic Roads Program. Therefore, M-NCPPC would have to take this into account when reviewing this application at a later stage.

Motion: Patricia Wolford moved that the application be recommended. Boyd Lawrence seconded the motion. Gregory Russ abstained from voting and all other members unanimously recommended the application.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next TFCG meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2019, at 2 p.m. at 51 Monroe St., Suite 300.