



DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

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MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications Corporation

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on July 10, 2013. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams		DTS
Dave Niblock		DPS
Bernie Fitzgerald		DGS
Carlton Gilbert	(via phone)	M-NCPPC
Joan Cole	(via phone)	DTS

STAFF

Bob Hunnicutt		CTC
Marty Liebman	(via phone)	CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

Andrew Martin SCE, Inc. for Verizon Wireless

Action Item - Meeting Minutes

Motion: Bernie Fitzgerald moved the minutes be approved as amended. Joan Cole seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Consent Agenda

1. Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with six panel antennas, three 71"-high and three 69"-high, at the 165' level on a 188'-high monopole on McDonnell property located at 20315 Georgia Avenue in Brookeville (201306-09). *Minor Modification*
2. Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with six 49"-high panel antennas atop a 97'-high apartment building on Sudbury House Condominium Association property located at 2100 Washington Avenue in Silver Spring (201307-08). *Minor Modification*
3. Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with three 71"-high and three 49"-high panel antennas atop a 180'-high apartment building on NN-Grosvenor Tower LTD PS property located at 10301 Grosvenor Place in Rockville (201307-09). *Minor Modification*

4. Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with six panel antennas, three 71"-high and three 60"-high, at the 138' level on a 192'-high lattice tower on Kruhm property located at 15701 Kruhm Road in Burtonsville (201307-11). *Minor Modification*
5. Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with six 49"-high panel antennas at the 104', 112', and 116' levels atop a 110'-high apartment building on Renaissance Plaza LLC property located at 14000 Castle Boulevard in Silver Spring (201308-01). *Minor Modification*

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

Regular Agenda

Action Item: Verizon Wireless application to replace six antennas with six panel antennas, three 71"-high and three 49"-high, at the 111' level atop a 119'-high water tank on WSSC property located at 1945 Seminary Place in Silver Spring (201307-10). *Minor Modification. Conditioned on submission of written approval from WSSC at time of permitting to replace and attach these antennas.*

Mr. Hunnicutt summarized the application and explained that because WSSC had advised him that they had not approved the work proposed by Verizon Wireless, the Tower Coordinator's recommendation for this application is conditioned on the applicant providing written authorization from WSSC at the time of permitting that WSSC has approved this work.

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

Action Item: Verizon Wireless application to attach 12 panel antennas, six 96"-high, four 69"-high, and two 48"-high, at the 223' level on a 695'-high broadcast tower on Chancellor Media Corporation property located at 8744 Brookeville Road in Silver Spring (201307-12). *Co-location. Conditioned on the generator operating in compliance with the County's Noise Ordinance.*

Mr. Hunnicutt summarized the application and explained that, as has been the case with other applications to place outdoor power generators at a site, the recommendation for this application was also conditioned on the noise from the generator being in compliance with the limits set by the County's Noise Ordinance.

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

Action Item: Verizon Wireless application to attach 14 panel antennas, seven 95"-high, three 72"-high, and four 49"-high, at the 208' level on a 215'-high lattice tower on Suburban Propane Gas property located at 35 Derwood Circle in Rockville (201307-13). *Co-location. Conditioned on the generator operating in compliance with the County's Noise Ordinance, and that the*

number of antennas listed in the structural analysis matches the number of antennas listed in the application at time of permitting.

Mr. Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that Verizon Wireless is installing antennas at this site and will be decommissioning their site across Route 355 from this tower, where they presently have antennas attached to a CNS tower. He also explained that because there will be an emergency power generator installed at this site, the application is conditioned on the noise from the generator meeting the standards in the County's Noise Ordinance. He added that because the structural analysis provided with this application, based on the TFCG records, did not appear to consider all the existing antennas on the tower, the recommendation is conditioned on an analysis report being provided at the time of permitting that includes all antennas currently attached to the tower.

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

Action Item: SiriusXM application to install one 47"-wide dish antenna on the ground within the existing compound on the Rinaldi Property located at 15700 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (201307-02). *Co-location. Conditioned on obtaining Board of Appeals approval for a special exception.*

Ms. Williams noted that this application, which should have been included on the agenda, was overlooked because of a misunderstanding with the applicant, and therefore she approved it being added in this case only.

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

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TFCG will be held on August 7th in Room #225 of the COB.