Dec 5, 2018

MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: TCFG Staff (CTC Technology & Energy)

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on December 5, 2018. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS
Marjorie Williams TFCG Chair
Erika Lopez OMB
Thomas Williamson DGS
Dave Niblock DPS
Gregory Russ (via phone) M-NCPPC
Martin (via phone) WSSC
Boyd (via phone) MCPS
Max Stuckey (via phone) DTS

STAFF
Jay O’Neill CTC
Jasmina Rivas CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES
Jordan Dewese DTS
Brian Kim DPS ROW
Katherine Blackwood (via phone) NB&C on behalf of Sprint/T-Mobile
Elizabeth Dietrich (via phone) NB&C on behalf of T-Mobile
Rick Myers (via phone) Public
Alexandra Bull NB&C
Tracy Themak Donohue & Stearns
Javad Shayan DPS ROW
Mohammad Alsamma T-Mobile
Action Item: Meeting Minutes

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

Action Item: Consent Agenda:

Consent Agenda

1. Application Number: 2018090465 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 9/19/2018 Revised: 11/14/2018
   Applicant: AT&T Wireless
   Site Name/Location: Gymkhana Club / 14100 River Rd, Potomac
   Zoning Standard: RE-2 Property Owner: River Road Development Inc
   Description: Add a diesel generator in an existing equipment compound.
   Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

2. Application Number: 2018100539 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/18/2018 Revised: 11/13/2018
   Applicant: AT&T Wireless
   Site Name/Location: Summit Hills Apartments / 8484 16th St, Silver Spring
   Zoning Standard: CR-2.5 Property Owner: Summit Hills LLC
   Description: Remove three RRHs. Add six RRHs at 110'/111'/116' on an existing 90' building.
   Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

3. Application Number: 2018100540 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/19/2018 Revised: 11/14/2018
   Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
   Site Name/Location: Oakmont Monopole / 16801 Oakmont Ave, Gaithersburg
   Zoning Standard: IM-2.5 Property Owner: 16801 Oakmont Avenue LLC
   Description: Remove and replace three antennas at 187'/189' on an existing 191' monopole.
   Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

4. Application Number: 2018100565 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/30/2018 Revised: 11/13/2018
   Applicant: T-Mobile
   Site Name/Location: Summit Hills Apartments / 8484 16th Street, Silver Spring
   Zoning Standard: CR-2.5 Property Owner: Summit Hills LLC
   Description: Remove and replace nine antennas at 107’ on an existing 98' building.
   Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended
5. **Application Number:** 2018090472  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):** 9/12/2018  
**Revised:** 10/23/2018  
**Revised:** 11/19/2018  
**Applicant:** T-Mobile  
**Site Name/Location:** Lakewood at Georgia / 11510 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring  
**Zoning Standard:** CR-3.0  
**Property Owner:** Lakewood at Georgia Ave, LLC  
**Description:** Remove eight antennas and one RRH. Add nine antennas and fifteen RRHs at 47'/60' on an existing 40' building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

6. **Application Number:** 2018090494  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):** 9/28/2018  
**Revised:** 11/20/2018  
**Applicant:** Verizon Wireless  
**Site Name/Location:** National 4-H Council Bldg / 7100 Connecticut Ave, Chevy Chase  
**Zoning Standard:** R-60  
**Property Owner:** National 4-H Council  
**Description:** Remove and replace three antennas and six RRHs at 54' on an existing 43' building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

7. **Application Number:** 2018100535  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):** 10/17/2018  
**Revised:** 11/6/2018  
**Revised:** 11/19/2018  
**Applicant:** Sprint/Nextel  
**Site Name/Location:** Sudbury House Condo / 2100 Washington Ave, Silver Spring  
**Zoning Standard:** R-10  
**Property Owner:** Sudbury House Condominiums  
**Description:** Remove three antennas and three RRHs. Add six antennas and nine RRHs at 109' on an existing 92' building.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

8. **Application Number:** 2018090492  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):** 11/8/2018  
**Revised:** 11/26/2018  
**Applicant:** T-Mobile  
**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 six antennas. Add six antennas and six RRHs at 140' on an existing 140' monopole.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended
9. Application Number: 2018110587 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 11/9/2018
   Revised: 11/26/2018
   Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
   Site Name/Location: WSSC Great Seneca / 12600 Great Seneca Hwy, Germantown
   Zoning Standard: R-200 Property Owner: WSSC
   Description: Remove six antennas. Add six antennas and three RRHs at 150' on an existing 228' tower.
   Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on the applicant providing written approval from WSSC at the time of permitting.

10. Application Number: 2018100498 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/8/2018
    Revised: 10/24/2018
    Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
    Site Name/Location: Pepco 148-S / 0 Gold Mine Rd, Brinklow
    Zoning Standard: R-C Property Owner: Pepco
    Description: Remove six antennas. Add six antennas, one microwave dish, and nine RRHs at 140' on an existing 142' transmission tower.
    Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

11. Application Number: 2018080456 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 8/21/2018
    Revised: 10/31/2018
    Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
    Site Name/Location: Airpark Industrial Center / 7707 Airpark Rd, Gaithersburg
    Zoning Standard: IL-1.0 Property Owner: Crown Atlantic Company LLC
    Description: Remove three antennas. Add six antennas and three RRHs at 122' on an existing 120' monopole.
    Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

12. Application Number: 2018090477 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 9/14/2018
    Revised: 11/1/2018
    Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
    Site Name/Location: Summit Hills Apartments / 8484 16th St, Silver Spring
    Zoning Standard: CR-2.5 Property Owner: Summit Hills LLC
    Description: Remove three antennas and three RRHs. Add three antennas at 106'/114' on an existing 98' building.
    Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

13. Application Number: 2018090480 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 9/14/2018
    Revised: 11/1/2018
    Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
    Site Name/Location: Pavilion Apts / 5901 Montrose Rd, Rockville
    Zoning Standard: CR-4.0 Property Owner: Monterey North Bethesda Investors, LLC
    Description: Remove three antennas and three RRHs. Add three antennas at 141'/155' on an existing 132' building.
    Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended
14. Application Number: 2018100518 Type: Minor Modification  
Received (date): 10/9/2018  
Revised: 10/30/2018  
Applicant: Sprint/Nextel  
Site Name/Location: Pepco 163-S / 1000 Ashton Rd, Ashton  
Zoning Standard: R-C  
Property Owner: Pepco  
Description: Remove six antennas. Add six antennas and fifteen RRHs at 142' on an existing 132' transmission tower.  
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

15. Application Number: 2018100525 Type: Minor Modification  
Received (date): 10/12/2018  
Revised: 10/25/2018  
Revised: 11/1/2018  
Applicant: T-Mobile  
Site Name/Location: Oakmont Monopole / 16801 Oakmont Ave, Gaithersburg  
Zoning Standard: IM-2.5  
Property Owner: 16801 Oakmont Avenue LLC  
Description: Remove three antennas. Add three antennas and six RRHs at 192' on an existing 190' monopole.  
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

16. Application Number: 2018100534 Type: Minor Modification  
Received (date): 10/18/2018  
Revised: 10/31/2018  
Applicant: Sprint/Nextel  
Site Name/Location: Montg College Germantown / 20200 West Observation Dr, Germantown  
Zoning Standard: I-3  
Property Owner: Board of Community College Trustees  
Description: Remove three antennas. Add six antennas and three RRHs at 203' on an existing 300' tower.  
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

17. Application Number: 2018080447 Type: Minor Modification  
Received (date): 8/15/2018  
Revised: 10/4/2018  
Revised: 11/2/2018  
Applicant: T-Mobile  
Site Name/Location: Extra Space Storage / 19500 Frederick Rd, Germantown  
Zoning Standard: GR-1.5  
Property Owner: Prisaii II LLC  
Description: Remove and replace three antennas and three RRHs at 80' on an existing 121' monopole.  
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended
18. Application Number: 2018080449 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 8/15/2018
Revised: 10/4/2018
Revised: 11/2/2018

Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Pavilion Apts / 5901 Montrose Rd, Rockville
Zoning Standard: CR-4.0 Property Owner: Bernmill Associates
Description: Remove and replace three antennas and three RRHs at 159'/175' on an existing 153' building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

19. Application Number: 2018100541 Type: Minor Modification Received (date):
Revised: 10/19/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: WSSC Great Seneca / 12600 Great Seneca Hwy, Germantown
Zoning Standard: R-200 Property Owner: WSSC
Description: Remove and replace six antennas at 140' on an existing 228' tower.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on the applicant providing written approval from WSSC at the time of permitting.

20. Application Number: 2018100563 Type: Minor Modification Received (date):

Applicant: T-Mobile
Site Name/Location: Watkins Mill High School / 10301 Apple Ridge Rd, Gaithersburg
Zoning Standard: R-200 Property Owner: MCPS
Description: Remove and replace three antennas at 118' on an existing 120' monopole.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Conditioned on the applicant providing written approval from the Superintendent of Montgomery County Public Schools of the attachment at the time of permitting.

21. Application Number: 2018100500 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/2/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
Site Name/Location: Park Montgomery Apts / 8860 Piney Branch Rd, Silver Spring
Zoning Standard: R-H Property Owner: Park Montgomery Limited Prtnrshp
Description: Remove and replace six antennas and three RRHs at 138' on an existing 130' building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended
22. Application Number: 2018100514 Type: Minor Modification Received (date): 10/8/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
Site Name/Location: Parklawn / 11820 Parklawn Dr, Rockville
Zoning Standard: EOF-0.75 Property Owner: PS Business Parks L P
Description: Remove six antennas and three RRHs. Add six antennas and nine RRHs at 74'/78' on an existing 63' building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

23. Application Number: 2018100519 Type: Minor Modification Received (date):
10/10/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
Site Name/Location: MDOT-Kensington / I-495 & Conn Ave, Kensington
Zoning Standard: R-90 Property Owner: MDOT / State Hwy Admin.
Description: Remove six antennas. Add six antennas and nine RRHs at 152' on an existing 160' monopole.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

24. Application Number: 2018100529 Type: Minor Modification Received (date):
10/16/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
Site Name/Location: Columbia Towers / 12001 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring
Zoning Standard: R-10 Property Owner: Legum & Norman
Description: Remove nine antennas. Add six antennas and nine RRHs at 93'/108' on an existing 95' building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended

25. Application Number: 2018100531 Type: Minor Modification Received (date):
10/16/2018
Revised: 11/6/2018

Applicant: Sprint/Nextel
Site Name/Location: Crossroads Building / 7676 New Hampshire Ave, Takoma Park
Zoning Standard: CRT-2.5 Property Owner: 7676 New Hampshire L.P.
Description: Remove three antennas and three RRHs. Add six antennas and nine RRHs at 53' on an existing 49' building.
Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended
26. **Application Number:** 2018100533  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):**

10/17/2018

**Revised:** 11/6/2018

**Applicant:** Sprint/Nextel

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

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

**Description:** Remove three antennas. Add six antennas and three RRHs at 73'/74' on an existing 62' building.

**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

27. **Application Number:** 2018100550  **Type:** Minor Modification  **Received (date):**

10/25/2018

**Revised:** 11/6/2018

**Applicant:** Verizon Wireless

**Site Name/Location:** Woodmont Triangle Garage / 7730 Woodmont Ave, Bethesda

**Zoning Standard:** CR 5.0  **Property Owner:** Montgomery County

**Description:** Remove and replace six antennas and three RRHs at 55'/56' on an existing 64' building.

**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

**Motion:** Dave Niblock moved that items #1 through #27 on the Consent Agenda be recommended. Martin Rookard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Regular Agenda**

28. **Application Number:** 2018090489  **Type:** Colocation  **Received (date):** 10/11/2018

**Revised:** 11/1/2018

**Applicant:** Sprint/Nextel

**Site Name/Location:** 7001 Arlington / 7001 Arlington Rd, Bethesda

**Zoning Standard:** CRT-1.75  **Property Owner:** AERC 7001 Arlington Road LLC

**Description:** Attach six antennas and nine remote radio heads (RRH) at 83’ on a 59’ building. Install equipment cabinets on the rooftop.

**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

Jay O’Neill summarized the application.

**Motion:** Thomas Williamson moved that the application be recommended. Boyd Lawrence seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
29. **Application Number:** 201810581  **Type:** Colocation  **Received (date):** 11/8/2018  **Revised:** 11/26/2018

**Applicant:** T-Mobile  
**Site Name/Location:** Seneca Meadows Corporate Center/20501 Seneca Meadows Parkway, Germantown  
**Zoning Standard:** CR-2.0  
**Property Owner:** SENECA MEADOWS CORP CENTER IV LLC  
**Description:** Attach six antennas and three remote radio heads (RRH) at 53’ on a 47’ building. Install equipment cabinets and generator on the rooftop.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended

Jay O’Neill summarized the application.

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

30. **Application Number:** 2018100524  **Type:** New  **Received (date):** 10/16/2018  **Revised:** 11/02/2018  **Revised:** 11/6/2018  **Revised:** 11/26/2018

**Applicant:** T-Mobile/American Tower  
**Site Name/Location:** Warfield Property/25723 Woodfield Rd, Damascus  
**Zoning Standard:** RNC  
**Property Owner:** James H. Warfield  
**Description:** Construct a 150’-high monopole and attach six panel antennas at the 147’ level. Equipment will be placed in a new 75’ x 75’ compound.  
**Tower Coordinator Recommendation:** Recommended with conditions – complete the conditional use process with any overall structure height exceeding 135’ subject to Hearing Examiner approval.

Marjorie Williams noted that this application was recommended by the TFCG twice previously at 150’; that the Applicant had not constructed the monopole before the recommendations expired; and that the application was being reviewed for a third time because zoning changes that took effect June 4, 2018, now restrict the height of any new installations in this zone to 135’ unless a Hearing Examiner grants an increase based on specific justifications. Jay O’Neill summarized the application and the Coordinator’s findings. Alexandra Bull with NB&C on behalf of T-Mobile indicated that T-Mobile cannot go lower than a RAD Center of 147’. Tracy Themak of Donohue & Stearns added that a 135’ height would be less desirable for colocation, that this area lacks coverage, and that she had a copy of the historical approval from the Maryland Historical Trust and the M-NCP’s Historic Preservation Section (meeting a condition of the recommendation). Mohammad Alsamma, T-Mobile’s RF Engineer, noted that the extra height T-Mobile is requesting would give it the flexibility to adjust the signal with antenna downtilt. Marjorie Williams explained that although the Committee understood the stated need for a taller monopole for coverage in the area and to provide a colocation opportunity, the Committee could not recommend an overall structure height higher than 135’.
because of the new zoning requirements. She indicated that the Applicant could provide missing or expanded justification for a taller monopole to the Hearing Examiner.

**Motion**: Thomas Williamson moved that the application be recommended with the current conditions. Boyd Lawrence seconded the motion. Gregory Russ abstained from voting. All other members agreed and the recommendation passed.

The next TFCG meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2019 at 2pm at the Executive Office Building located at 101 Monroe St 13th floor conference room.

The meeting was adjourned.