



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 May 6, 2020. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

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

STAFF

Shawn Thompson	(via phone)	CTC
Jasmina Rivas	(via phone)	CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

Jordan Dewese	(via phone)	DTS
Javad Shayan	(via phone)	DPS
Brian Kim	(via phone)	DPS

Action Item: Meeting Minutes

Motion: Michelle Grace moved that the April minutes be approved as written. Gregory Russ seconded the motion. Boyd Lawrence abstained from voting and all other members unanimously approved the meeting minutes.

Action Item: Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

1. ***Application Number:*** 2020031117 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 3/10/2020
Revised: 3/20/2020
Revised: 3/26/2020

Applicant: Smart Link on Behalf of AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Chateau Apartments / 9727 Mt. Pisgah Rd., Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: R-H ***Property Owner:*** Hillzo LP

Description: Remove two antennas and fifteen RRHs. Add two antennas and twelve RRHs at 140' on an existing 134' building.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020031117+Application.pdf>

2. ***Application Number:*** 2020041126 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 4/3/2020
Revised: 4/9/2020

Applicant: Crown Castle on Behalf of AT&T Wireless

Site Name/Location: Avenel Golf Course / 10010 Oaklyn Dr., Potomac

Zoning Standard: RE-2C ***Property Owner:*** WSSC

Description: Remove and replaced six antennas and nine RRHs at 118' on an existing 130' monopole.

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.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020041126+Application.pdf>

3. ***Application Number:*** 2020041124 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 4/2/2020

Applicant: Crown Castle on Behalf of T-Mobile

Site Name/Location: Airpark Industrial Center / 7707 Airpark Rd., Gaithersburg

Zoning Standard: IL-1.0 ***Property Owner:*** Crown Atlantic Co LLC

Description: Add three antennas and three RRHs at 80' on an existing 120' monopole.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020041124+Application.pdf>

4. ***Application Number:*** 2020021111 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 2/27/2020
Revised: 4/13/2020

Applicant: Crown Castle on Behalf of Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Colesville Monopole / 49 Randolph Rd., Colesville

Zoning Standard: NR-0.75 ***Property Owner:*** Colesville Center LLC

Description: Remove nine antennas and six RRHs. Add six antennas and six RRHs at 107' on an existing 150' monopole.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020021111+Application.pdf>

5. **Application Number:** 2020011068 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 1/9/2020
Revised: 4/27/2020

Applicant: NB&C on Behalf of Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Trolley Museum / 1313 Bonifant Rd., Colesville

Zoning Standard: RE-2 **Property Owner:** M-NCPPC

Description: Remove twelve antennas and three RRHs. Add six antennas and six RRHs at 132' on an existing 135' monopole.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on the condition that the applicant receives written approval from M-NCPPC at the time of permitting.

Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020011068Application.pdf>

6. **Application Number:** 2020021108 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 2/25/2020
Revised: 4/27/2020

Applicant: NB&C on Behalf of Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: McDonnell Property / 20315 Georgia Ave., Brookeville

Zoning Standard: RC **Property Owner:** Timothy McDonnell

Description: Remove nine antennas and six RRHs. Add six antennas and six RRHs at 165' on an existing 190' monopole.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020011068Application.pdf>

7. **Application Number:** 2020031116 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 3/10/2020
Revised: 4/1/2020
Revised: 4/27/2020

Applicant: Nexius on Behalf of Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Carver Tower / 2647 W University Blvd., Silver Spring

Zoning Standard: CR-5.0 **Property Owner:** Bajwa Property Management LLC

Description: Remove nine antennas and six RRHs. Add six antennas and six RRHs at 135' on an existing 275' tower.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020031116+Application.pdf>

8. **Application Number:** 2020011091 **Type:** Minor Modification **Received (date):** 1/29/2020
Revised: 2/24/2020
Revised: 4/28/2020

Applicant: NB&C on Behalf of Verizon Wireless

Site Name/Location: Weitzer Property / 14705 Sugarland Rd., Poolesville

Zoning Standard: AR **Property Owner:** Barbara Weitzer

Description: Remove and replace six RRHs on an existing 194'5" monopole.

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

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020011091Application.pdf>

Motion: Patricia Wolford moved that items #1 through #8 on the Consent Agenda be recommended. Thomas Williamson seconded the motion. Michelle Grace abstained from voting and all other members unanimously recommended the applications.

Regular Agenda

9. **Application Number:** 2020031120 **Type:** Colocation **Received (date):** 3/18/2020
Revised: 4/10/2020

Applicant: First Energy

Site Name/Location: Damascus Tower / 26149 Ridge Rd., Damascus

Zoning Standard: CRT-1.75 **Property Owner:** Montgomery County

Description: Attach two antennas and one microwave dish at 120'/165'/205' on a 260' tower. Equipment to be installed within an existing equipment shelter.

Tower Coordinator Recommendation: Recommended on the condition that the proposed 260' replacement tower that was recommended on behalf of the Montgomery County Radio Communication System (MCRCS) under application #2019090989 is constructed. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2020031120Application%26Report.pdf>

Discussion: Jasmina Rivas summarized the application.

Motion: Michelle Grace moved that the application be recommended. Max Stuckey seconded the motion and it was unanimously recommended.

Administrative Update

10. **Application Number:** 2018020256 **Type:** Minor Modification
Original TFCG Recommendation Date: 6/6/2018

Applicant: Smartlink on Behalf of AT&T

Site Name/Location: Bethesda VFD 26 / 6700 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda

Zoning Standard: R-90 **Property Owner:** Bethesda Vol. Fire Dept.

Description: Temporarily install a helical anchor pile on adjacent property and connect the monopole to the anchor pile with a temporary guy wire; once that temporary anchor and guying is in place, install new helical piles and anchor rods as part of a proposed foundation modification at the base of the monopole.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2018020256Application%26Report.pdf>

Discussion: Marjorie Williams summarized the application and indicated that this was an administrative update to the original scope of work proposed when the application was recommended by the TFCG committee on June 6, 2018. The revised scope of work would include temporarily installing a helical anchor pile on adjacent property and connecting the monopole to the anchor pile with a temporary guy wire; once that temporary anchor and guying is in place, installing new helical piles and anchor rods as part of a proposed foundation modification at the base of the monopole.

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

The meeting was adjourned.

The next TFCG meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2020, at 2 p.m.