FAIRFAX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

PRESENT: Peter F. Murphy, Springfield District, Chairman

John C. Ulfelder, Dranesville District, Vice Chairman

Ellen J. Hurley, Braddock District James T. Migliaccio, Lee District James R. Hart, Commissioner At-Large

ABSENT: Julie M. Strandlie, Mason District

OTHERS: John A. Carter, Hunter Mill District

Philip A. Niedzielski-Eichner, Providence Mary D. Cortina, Commissioner At-Large Tim Sargeant, Commissioner At-Large

Teresa Wang, Senior Deputy Clerk, Planning Commission

Lorrie Kirst, Assistant Director, Zoning Administration Division (ZAD),

Department of Planning and Zoning (DPZ) Michelle Stahlhut, Planning Division (PD), DPZ

Bryan Botello, PD, DPZ

Lori Gori, Assistant County Attorney, Office of County Attorney

Wemi Peters, Office of County Attorney

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Administrative Review Eligible Project (AREP) PowerPoint Presentation
- B. AREP Map, dated January 16, 2019
- C. FS-D18-57, Sprint
- D. 2232-P18-24, T-Mobile
- E. 2232-M18-22, T-Mobile
- F. 2232-V18-23, T-Mobile
- G. 2232-V18-27, AT&T
- H. Consent Agenda Resolution, draft

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Chairman Peter F. Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Board Conference Room, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia, 22035.

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Bryan Botello, Planning Division (PD), Department of Planning and Zoning (DPZ); Michelle Stahlhut, PD, DPZ; Lori Gori, Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney; and Wemi Peters, Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the revised telecommunications permit process, the Administrative Review Eligible Projects (AREP) process, and the Consent Agenda process, which is included in Attachment A, with comments from multiple Committee members wherein the following topics were discussed:

- The process for approving Consent Agenda items as a single package of applications and the removal of individual applications to be voted on separately;
- The process of staff's notification to the Planning Commission of upcoming AREP applications;
- Staff's recommendation for a monthly review of a single package of applications on the consent agenda versus bimonthly or weekly review;
- The Committee's suggested language for the Consent Agenda Resolution, which is included in Attachment H;
- The process for the adoption of the Consent Agenda Resolution by the Planning Commission;
- The public outreach methods to keep citizens informed of upcoming AREP's; and
- The most effective method of informing citizens of the implementation of 5G coverage by mobile carriers and how they were processed.

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There was a discussion between staff and multiple Commissioners regarding the wording of the last motion. The discussion resulted in no changes.

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ENDORSEMENT OF CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

(Start Verbatim Transcript)

Commissioner Hart: I MOVE THE TELECOMMUNICATONS COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE FULL COMMISSION ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION THAT WE HAVE IN DRAFT, which I'm not going to read in total, WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS - CHANGES IN TWO PARAGRAPHS:

- THE EIGHTH WHEREAS, WHERE IT BEGINS "WHEREAS ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA" THAT SENTENCE WOULD READ, "WHEREAS ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION IN WRITING OR ELECTRONICALLY NOT LATER THAN 3 P.M. THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE COMMISSON MEETINGS;
- AND THEN THE NEXT PARAGRAPH DOWN, "ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA MAY BE REMOVED BY REQUEST OF ANY MEMBER" RATHER THAN "BY OBJECTION FROM."

Commissioner Ulfelder: Second.

Chairman Murphy: Seconded by Mr. Ulfelder. One more thing, we have to add the date, I think.

Commissioner Hart: Okay, JANUARY 16TH.

Commissioner Sargeant: Mr. Chairman, may I ALSO MAKE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO ALSO SAY, THE SECOND TO LAST PARAGRAPH STARTING WITH RESOLVED, "RESOLVED THAT ANY MATTER ON THE CONSENT AGENDA THAT IS OBJECTED" RATHER THAN SAYING "IT IS REQUESTED BY."

Commissioner Hart: RESOLVED THAT ANY MATTER ON THE CONSENT AGENDA THAT IS REMOVED BY THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION WILL BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE REGULAR AGENDA."

Commissioner Ulfelder: Why don't we just say, "THAT ANY MATTER OF THE CONSENT AGENDA THAT IS REMOVED BY THE REQUEST – BY REQUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

Commissioner Hart: I WILL ACCEPT THAT.

Chairman Murphy: All those in favor of the motion to recommend to the Planning Commission the adoption of Resolution, as amended by this Committee this evening, say aye.

Commissioners: Aye.

Chairman Murphy: Opposed? Motion carries.

(End Verbatim Transcript)

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Peter F. Murphy, Chairman

An audio recording of this meeting is available in the Planning Commission Office, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 330, Fairfax, Virginia 22035.

Minutes by: Teresa Wang

Approved: May 9, 2024

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Jacob L. Caporaletti, Clerk to the Fairfax County Planning Commission

County of Fairfax Commonwealth of Virginia

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4 day of May 20 24, by Dob Caporalet

Signature of Notary

Commission expiration: WWW avy 31, 2028

Notary Seal





To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

Ms. Jessica Bingham Site Link Wireless 3620 Commerce Drive, Suite 707 Baltimore, MD 21227

Re: AREP application: 2232-P18-24

T-Mobile - Telecommunications Co-location 2726 Gallows Road Vienna, VA 22180

Dear Ms. Bingham:

Thank you for your application on behalf of T-Mobile to co-locate a telecommunications facility on the existing building rooftop located at 2726 Gallows Road. The proposal consists of the following:

- Flush mount 9 panel antennas on the existing penthouse and stairwell walls. Antennas will be painted to match the existing structure.
- Install a cabinet and a generator on steel frame. The equipment will be set back from the roof edge and have no visual impact.

Upon review, staff determined that the proposal meets the requirements of the Virginia Code §§ 15.2-2316.3, -2316.4:1, -2316.4:2, and 15.2-2232, and Sect. 2-514 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, your application is administratively approved as a feature shown of the Comprehensive Plan.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 703-324-1380.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Goh Public Facilities Branch

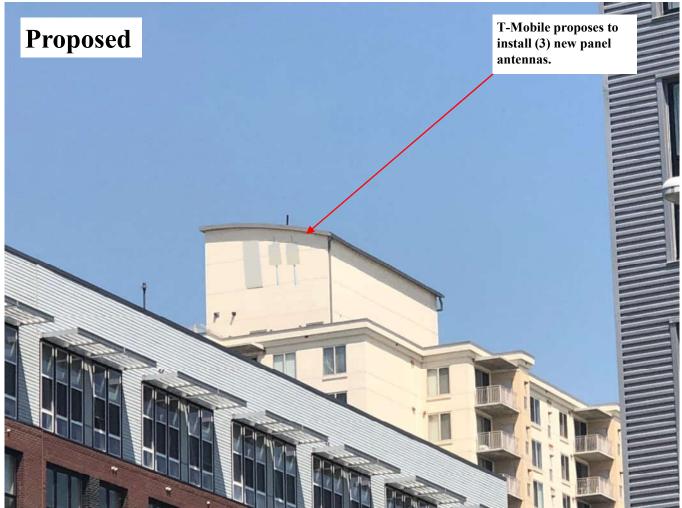
cc: Phillip Niedzielski-Eichner, Providence District Planning Commissioner Mavis Stanfield, Zoning Permit Review Branch, DPZ

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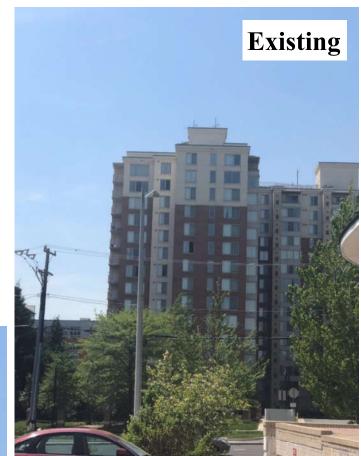


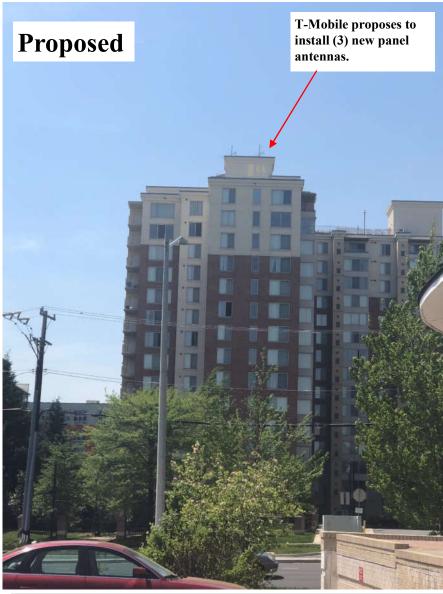


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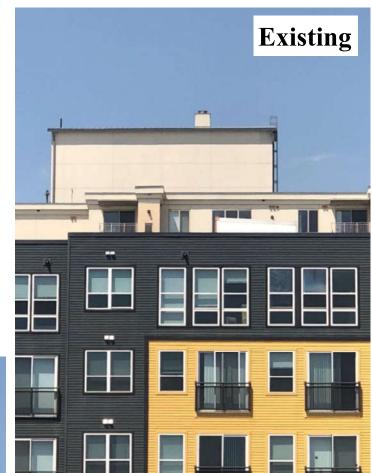


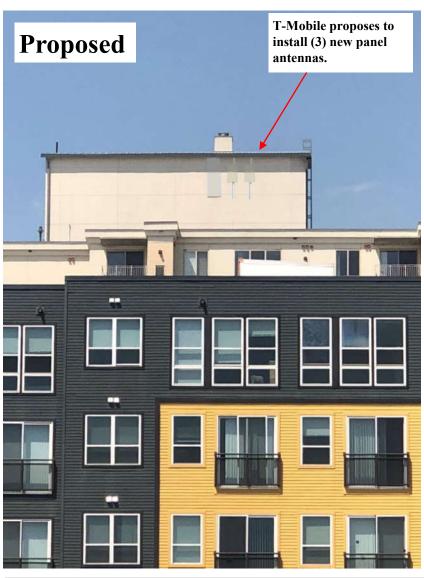


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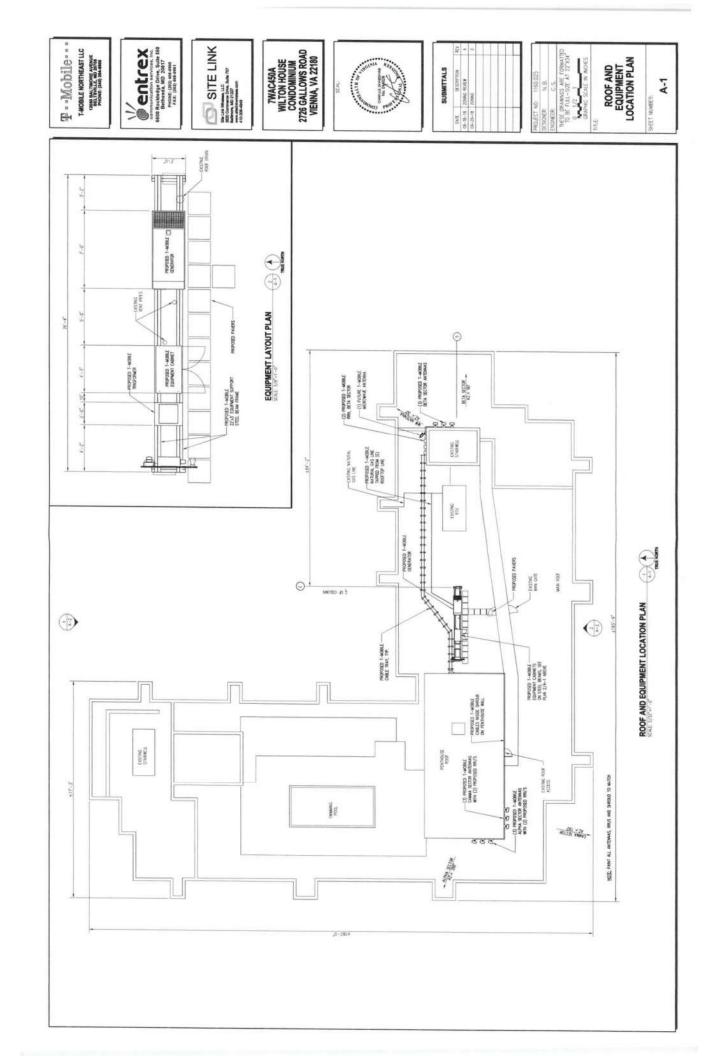


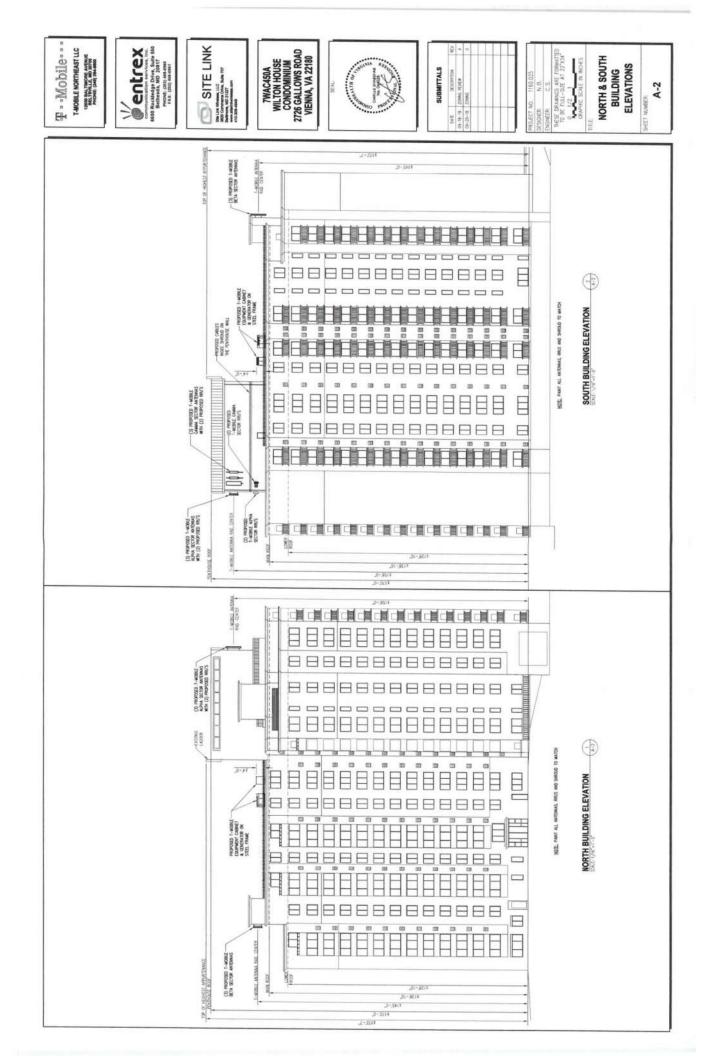
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To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

Ms. Alexandra Bull Network Building + Consulting 6095 Marshalee Dr. Suite 300 Elkridge, MD 21075

Re: AREP application: 2232-M18-22 **T-Mobile** -Telecommunications Co-location 7023 Little River Turnpike Annandale, VA 22003

Dear Ms. Bull:

Thank you for your application on behalf of T-Mobile to co-locate a telecommunications facility on an existing building located at 7023 Little River Turnpike. The proposal consists of the following:

- Flush mount 9 panel antennas and 1 microwave dish antenna on 6' extension of the existing penthouse. The extension and antennas will be painted to match the existing structure.
- Install a cabinet on an equipment platform behind the existing penthouse wall.
- Install a generator at ground on a concrete pad with 8' board-on-board fence.

Upon review, staff determined that the proposal meets the requirements of the Virginia Code §§ 15.2-2316.3, -2316.4:1, -2316.4:2, and 15.2-2232, and Sect. 2-514 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, your application is administratively approved as a feature shown of the Comprehensive Plan.

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Yvonne Goh **Public Facilities Branch**

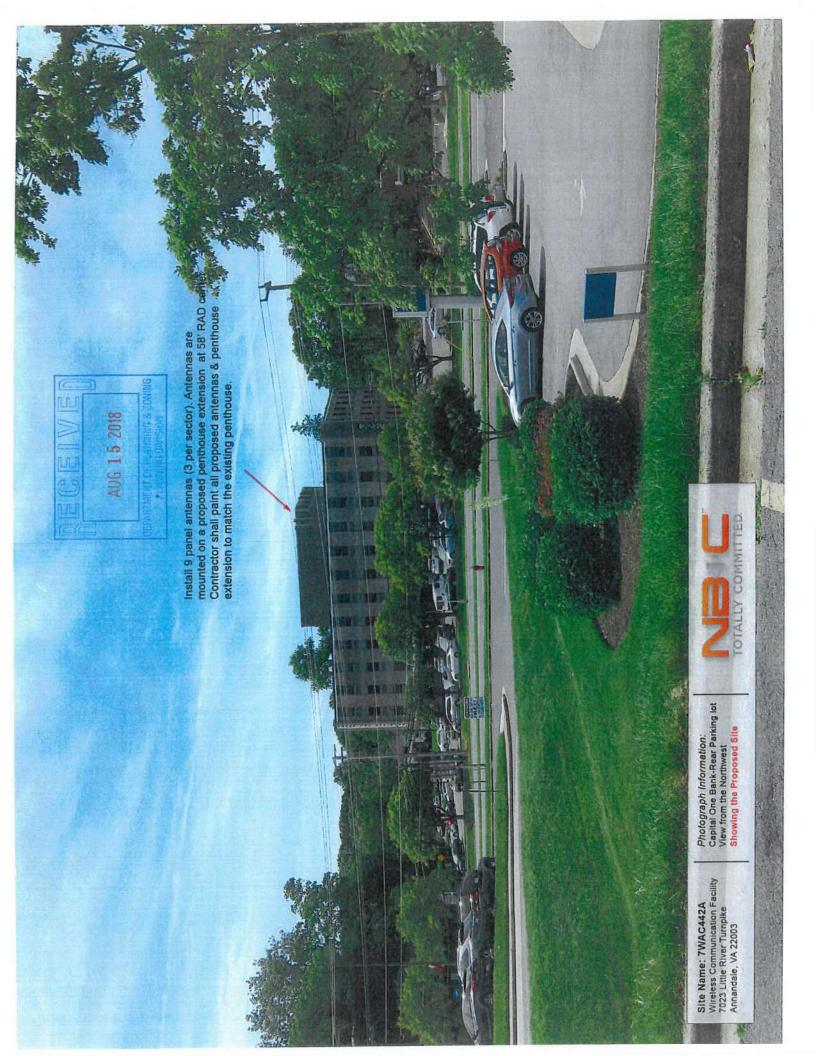
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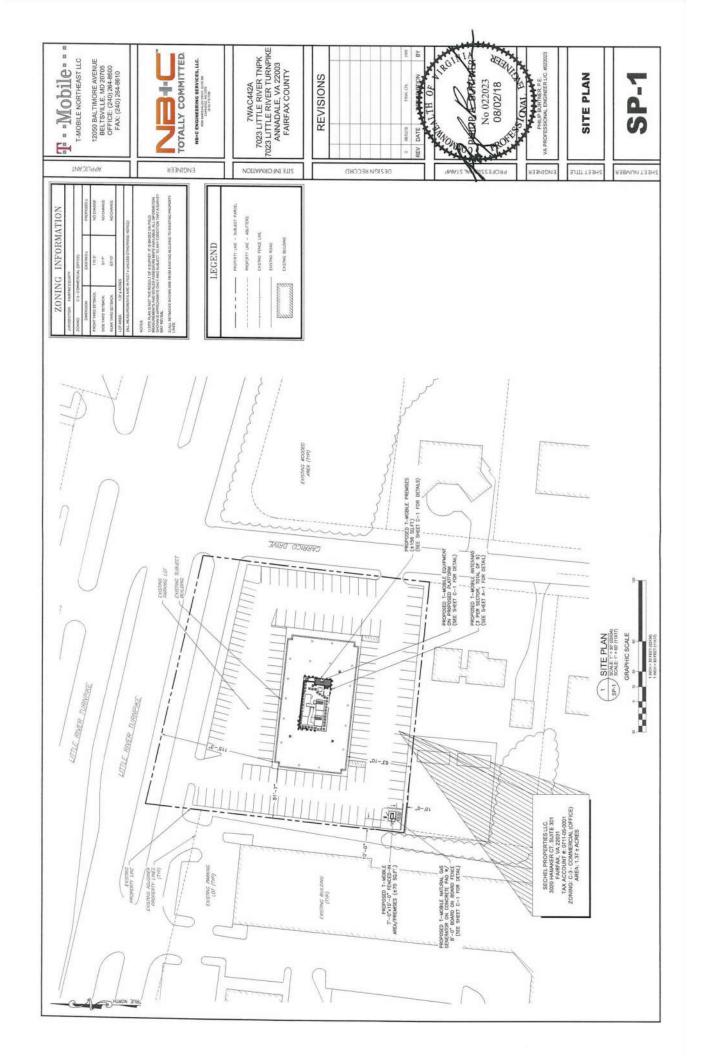
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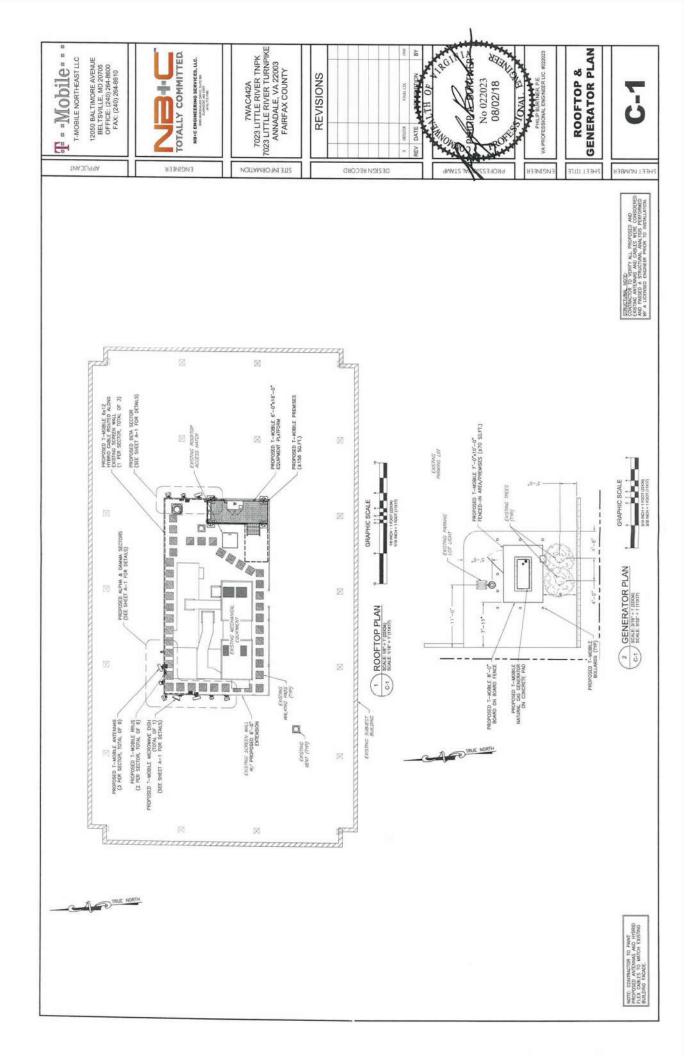
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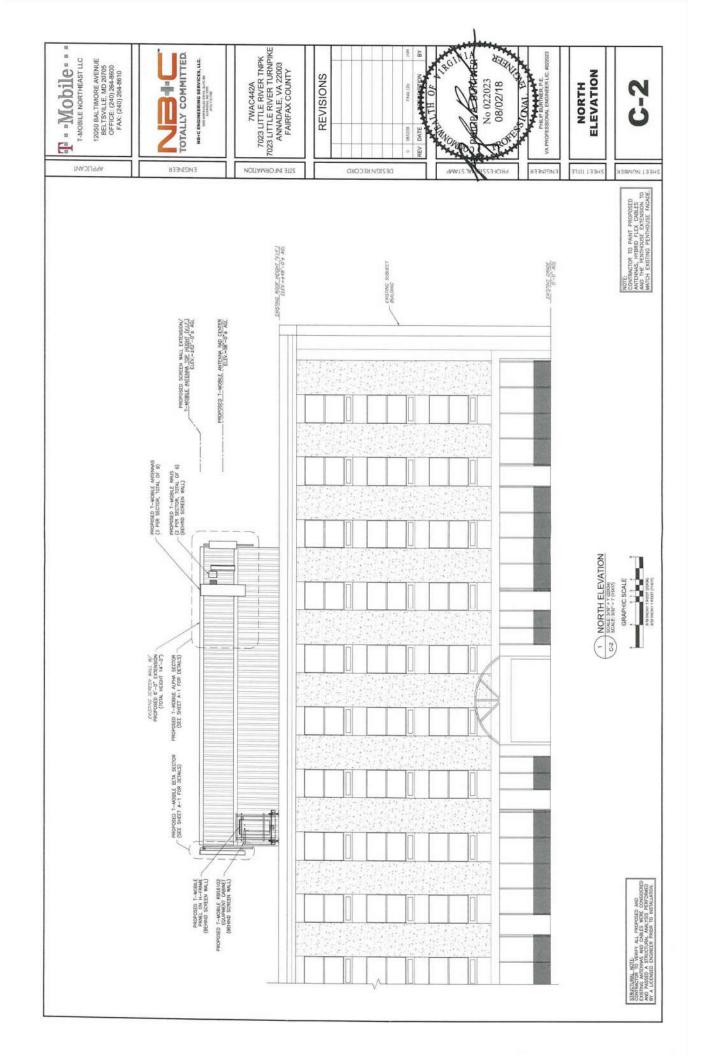
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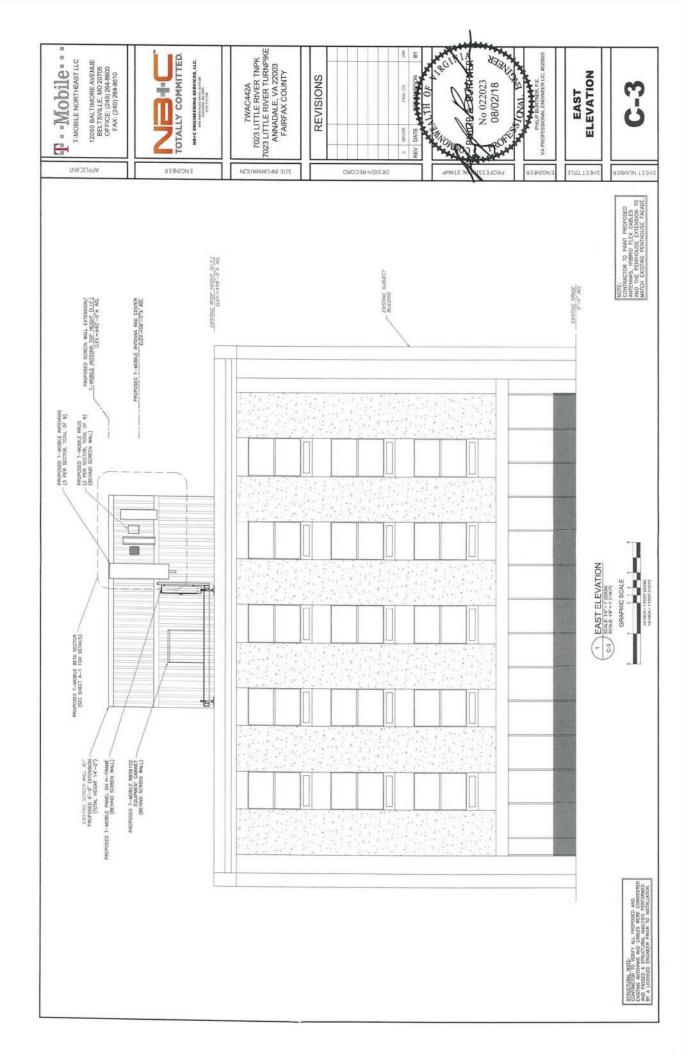














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Ms. Alexandra Bull Network Building + Consulting 6095 Marshalee Dr. Suite 300 Elkridge, MD 21075

Re: **AREP application: 2232-V18-23 T-Mobile** -Telecommunications Co-location 8120 McCauley Way
Lorton, VA 22079

Dear Ms. Bull:

Thank you for your application on behalf of T-Mobile to co-locate a telecommunications facility on an existing building located at 8120 McCauley Way. The proposal consists of the following:

- Flush mount 6 panel antennas and 1 microwave dish antenna on the existing rooftop. Antennas will be painted to match the existing structure.
- Install a cabinet and a generator on an equipment platform. The equipment will be set back from the building edge, and will not be visible from ground.

Upon review, staff determined that the proposal meets the requirements of the Virginia Code §§ 15.2-2316.3, -2316.4:1, -2316.4:2, and 15.2-2232, and Sect. 2-514 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, your application is administratively approved as a feature shown of the Comprehensive Plan.

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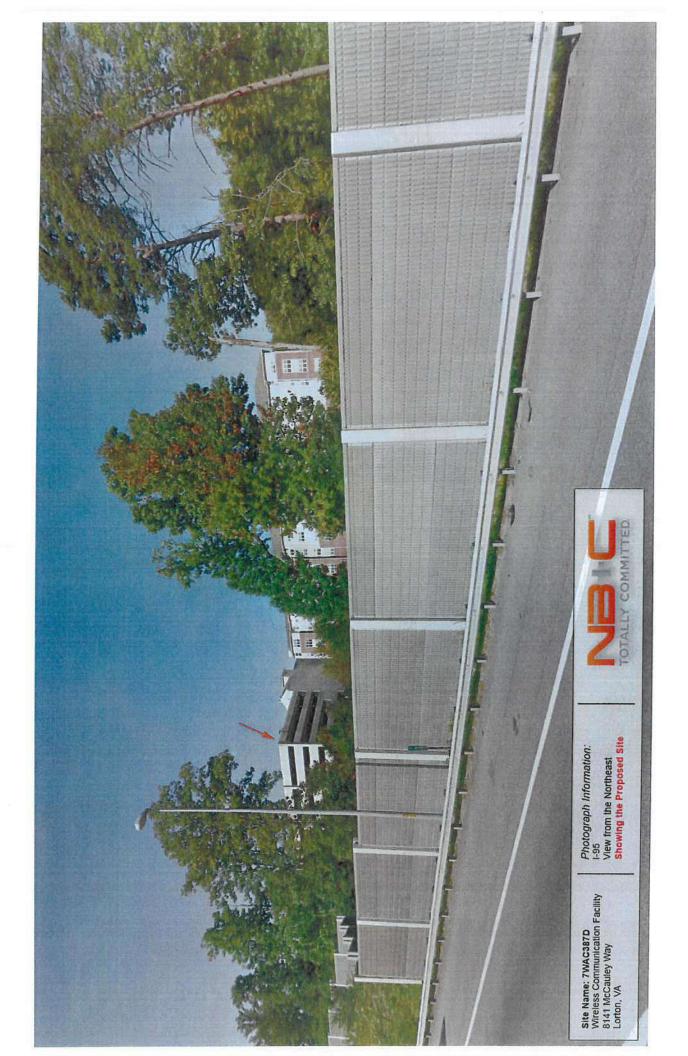
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cc: Walter Clarke, Mount Vernon District Planning Commissioner Mavis Stanfield, Zoning Permit Review Branch, DPZ

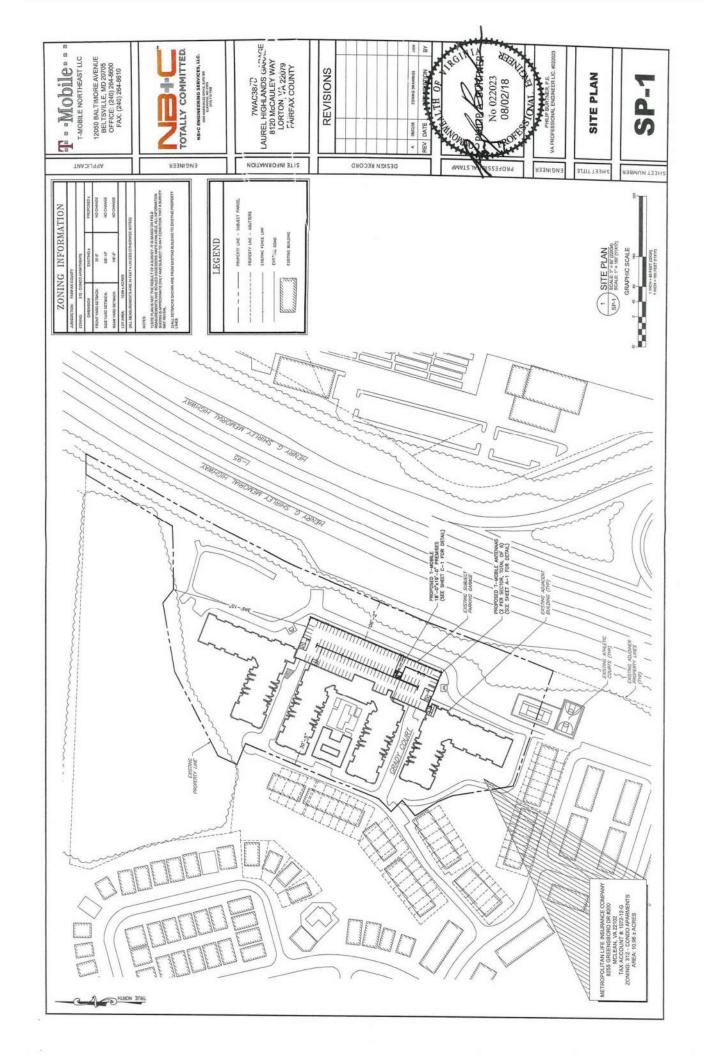
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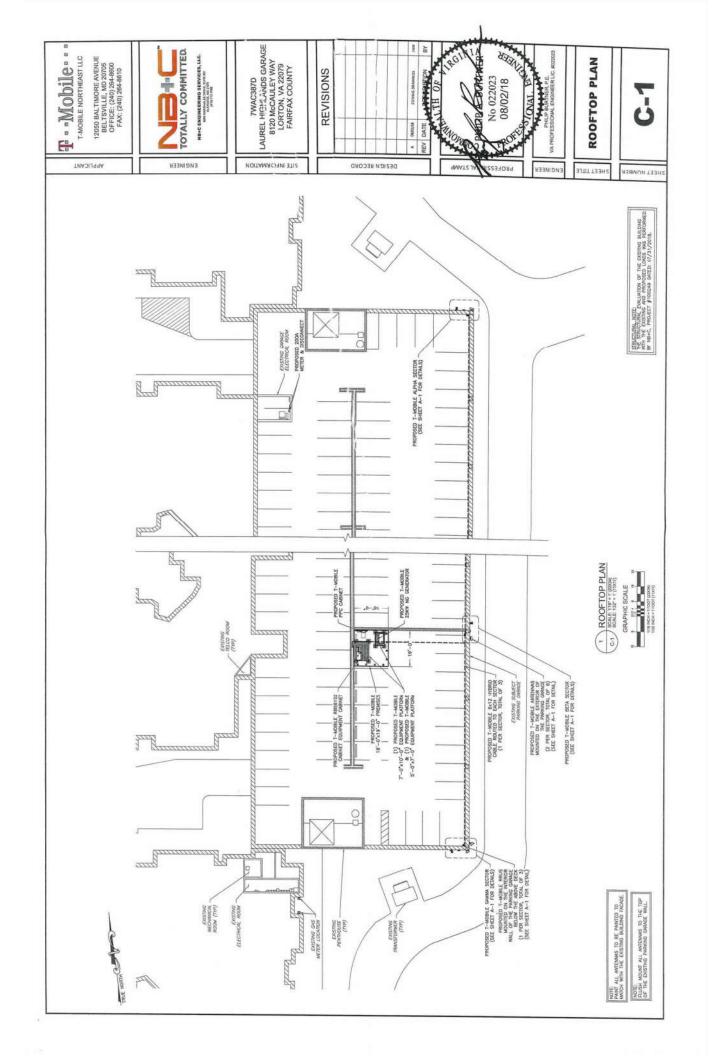
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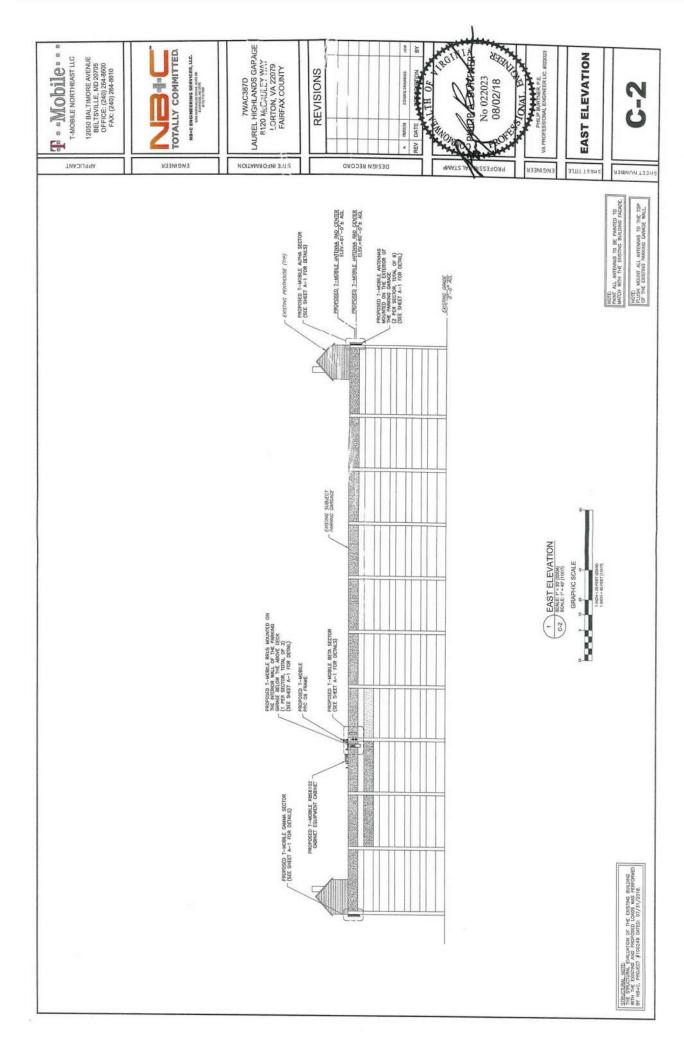
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Allison Helowicz Smartlink LLC 1362 Mellon Road, Suite 140 Hanover, MD 21076

Re: 2232-V18-27 AT&T

Telecommunications Co-location 7399 Lockport Place, Lorton, VA

Dear Ms. Helowicz:

Thank you for your application on behalf of AT&T to co-locate a telecommunications facility on a monopole at 7399 Lockport Pl. The co-location consists of the following:

- Install 6 new panel antennas.
- Install 1 equipment cabinet and 1 generator in an expanded portion of the equipment compound.

Upon review, staff determined that the proposal meets the requirements of the Virginia Code §§ 15.2-2316.3, -2316.4:1, -2316.4:2, and 15.2-2232, and Sect. 2-514 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, your application is administratively approved as a feature shown of the Comprehensive Plan.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 703-324-1380.

Sincerely,

Natalie Knight Facilities Planning Branch

cc: Walter Clarke, Mount Vernon District Planning Commissioner Mavis Stanfield, Zoning Permit Review Branch, DPZ

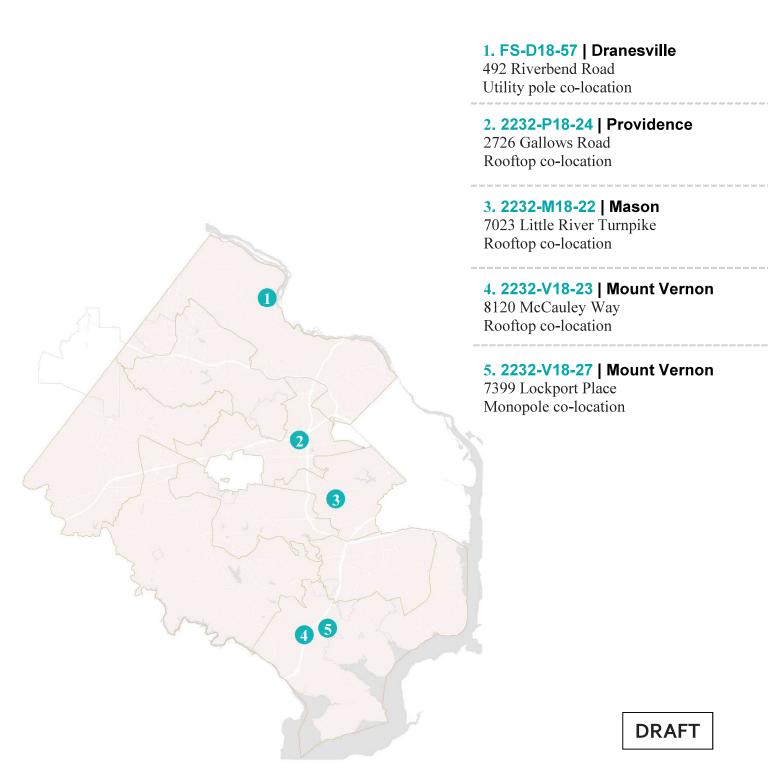
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Administrative Review Eligible Project

■ PLANNING COMMISSION DATE: January 16, 2019



RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the 2018 Virginia General Assembly amended the Virginia Code to identify and regulate Administrative Review-Eligible Projects (AREPs) as a new category of wireless telecommunications facilities; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly prohibited localities from requiring any special exception, special use permit, or variance for the installation of AREPs, but it did not amend Virginia Code § 15.2-2232 to preclude planning commission approval; and

WHEREAS, a Consent Agenda is an administrative tool to efficiently address routine or noncontroversial matters; and

WHEREAS, the Commission regularly considers routine and noncontroversial administrative matters as part of its work; and

WHEREAS, the Commission anticipates that it may be asked to consider a large number of routine and noncontroversial AREP applications as part of its work; and

WHEREAS, a Consent Agenda will allow the Commission to approve AREPs without debate; and

WHEREAS, a Consent Agenda will also allow the Commission to approve other routine and noncontroversial administrative matters without debate; and

WHEREAS, items on the Consent Agenda will be provided to members of the Commission in writing not less than days before the Commission meets; and

WHEREAS, items on the Consent Agenda may be removed by objection from any member of this Commission; and

WHEREAS, items not removed from the Consent Agenda may be adopted by general consent without debate; and

WHEREAS, the Consent Agenda will be considered at Commission meetings before regular Commission business;

WHEREAS, the Consent Agenda, as a practice, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Commission present and voting;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, for the foregoing reasons, that the Commission will use a Consent Agenda to approve routine and noncontroversial administrative matters by general consent, without debate or amendment; and

RESOLVED, that the Commission will use a Consent Agenda to approve routine and noncontroversial AREP applications by general consent, without debate or amendment; and

RESOLVED, that any matter on the Consent Agenda that is objected to by a member of the Commission will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as part of the regular agenda; and

RESOLVED, that the Consent Agenda, as a practice, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Commission present and voting.

A Copy Teste:

Peter F. Murphy
Chairman of the Planning Commission



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Scott Nichols Newpath Networks LLC/Crown Castle 10980 Grantchester Way, 4th Floor Columbia, MD 21044

Re: FS-D18-57
Sprint
Telecommunications Co-location
Street ROW, closest address is 492 Riverbend Rd.

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Thank you for your application on behalf of Sprint to co-locate a telecommunications facility on a utility pole in a street right-of-way, the closest address is at 492 Riverbend Rd., Great Falls, VA. The co-location consists of the following:

- Install 3 new panel antennas and 1 Flex Zone Micro GPS within a concealment canister on top of the pole.
- Concealment canister and 1 mini radio on top of the pole, approximately 30 cubic feet.

Upon review, staff determined that the proposal meets the requirements of the Virginia Code §§ 15.2-2316.3, -2316.4:1, -2316.4:2, and 15.2-2232, and Sect. 2-514 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, your application is administratively approved as a feature shown of the Comprehensive Plan.

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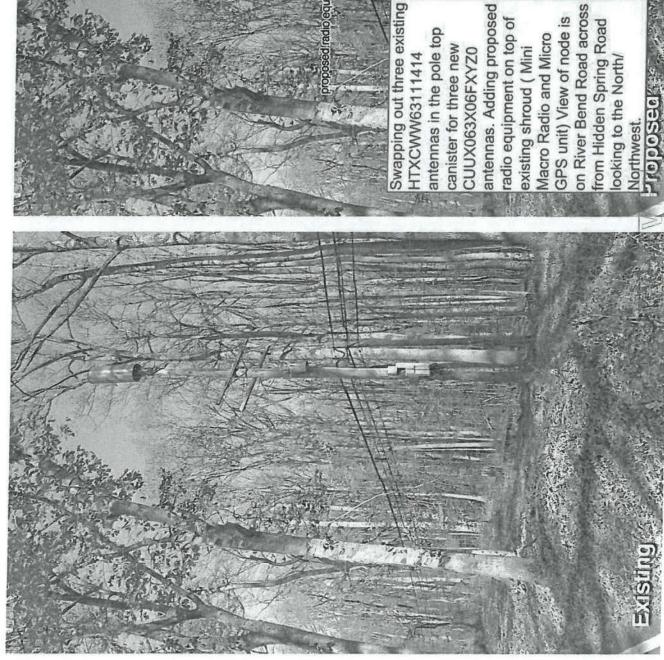
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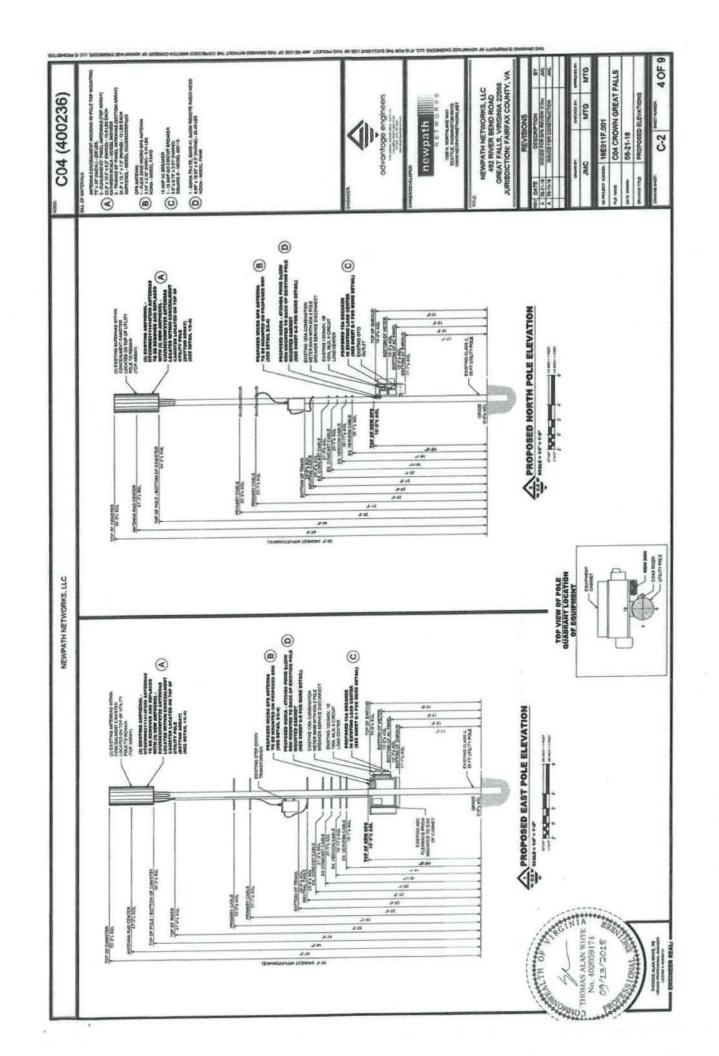


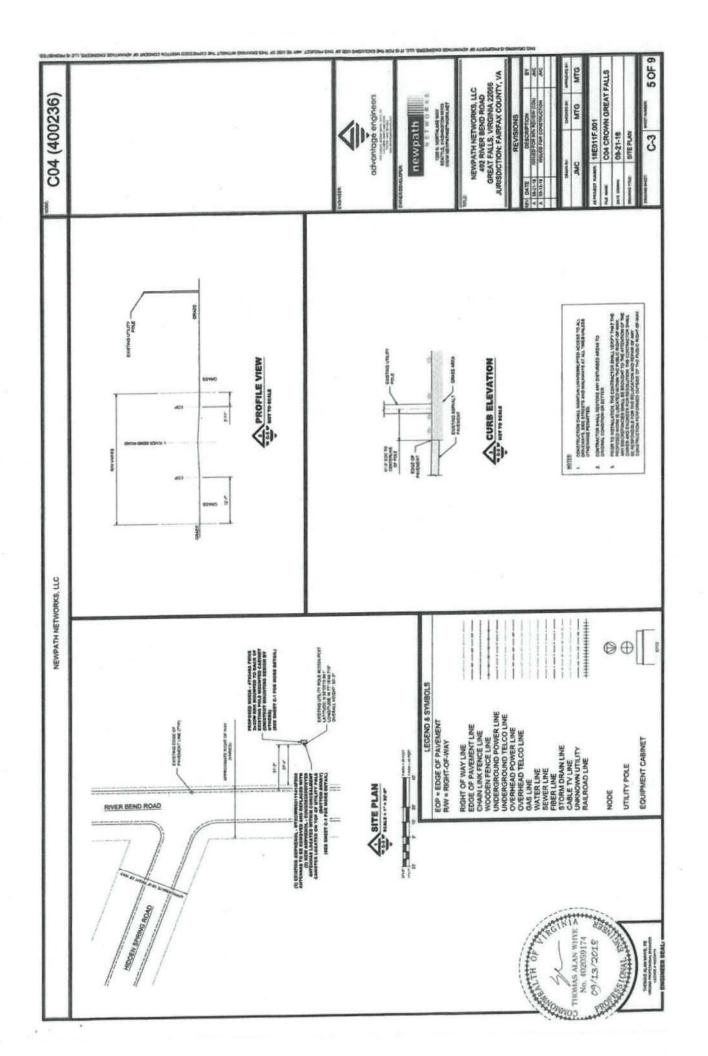
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AREP/2232 Telecommunication Facility Applications

Wireless Infrastructure in Fairfax Today

- DPZ reviews four types of telecom applications.
- During the 2018 session, the Virginia
 Legislature passed a law creating the
 Administrative Review-Eligible Project (AREP)
 process.
- 4G wireless infrastructure deployed over last decade.
- Mobile carriers planning to implement 5G coverage in the area.
- AREP projects will be exceedingly common in 5G rollout.



5G Deployment

- Driven by rapidly increasing mobile data usage, and the proliferation of connected devices (IoT).
- Characteristics: increased bandwidth, lower latency, shorter signal range
- Shorter signal ranges requires denser networks of small cell antennas.

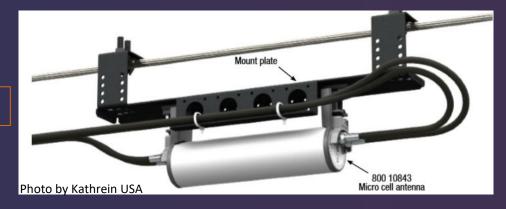


Hierarchy of Telecommunications Facilities

Macro-cell



Micro-cell



Small-cell



Telecom Facility Permitting in Fairfax County Today

- Standard Process/2232: A catch-all for telecom facilities that the reviews below do not apply to. Often used for construction of new monopoles. Typically requires a special exception.
- <u>6409</u>: For the modification, removal, and co-location of equipment that does not substantially change an existing telecom facility.
- Small Cell: Used for permitting installation of antennas less than 6 ft³ in volume and equipment cabinets less than 28 ft³ in volume.
- AREP/2232: Co-location of telecom facilities on existing structures and for new structures in the public ROW or within the line of existing utility poles

AREPs

- Joint 2232/AREP review
- Key differences between AREP and standard process
 - No SE required
 - Fee not to exceed \$500
 - 90- or 150-day shot clock.
- Two types:
 - Co-location: Co-location of equipment on existing structures not subject to 6409 review. **90-day review shot clock.**
 - Construction: New poles, designed for small-cell antennas, of less than 50' in height and located in the public ROW. **150-day review shot clock.**

Planning Commission Review of AREPs

- Joint 2232 application
- Commission to ensure location, character, and extent of proposals substantially conform with the comprehensive plan
- Staff recommends a monthly review of a single package of applications under a new consent agenda rule.

AREP Submission Package

DPZ will submit to the Planning Commission a package that includes the following:

- A map displaying AREP location, magisterial districts, and application type (co-location/construction)
- Photographs and photo-simulations of the project site
- Project plans
- An undated letter of approval addressed to the applicant

Consent Agenda Process

Consent Agenda

Way to address routine and noncontroversial agenda items in gross without debate or amendment.

How does it work?

- Consent Agenda is provided to Planning Commission in advance.
- Prior to vote on the Consent Agenda, any member may request that an item be removed from the agenda.
- Items removed from the Consent Agenda are placed in the regular agenda for separate discussion and vote.
- All items remaining on the Consent Agenda are approved with a single vote.

Proposed Resolution

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WHEREAS, a Consent Agenda is an administrative tool that allows bodies such as the Fairfax County Planning Commission to consider and approve routine or noncontroversial matters more efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the Commission regularly considers routine and noncontroversial administrative matters as part of its work; and

WHEREAS, the Commission anticipates that it will be considering a large number of routine and noncontroversial AREP applications pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2232, and

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AREP Telecommunication Facility Applications

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