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Re: Proposed Tower Development on Town of Wilton Property at 180 School Road

Dear Attorney Bachman:

In July, 2021, the Town issued a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) from interested parties to lease a portion of the Town-owned property at 180 School Street in Wilton for the construction of a wireless telecommunications facility (the “Facility”). The deadline for submission of proposals was September 20, 2021. Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (“Verizon”) was the sole bidder. After careful consideration, the Town accepted Verizon’s proposal and entered into a lease agreement with Verizon to develop the proposed Facility.

Under the terms of the RFP, Verizon is responsible for obtaining all necessary local, State and Federal permits for construction of the Facility including, but not limited to, Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) approval. The Town understands that the Town is entitled to review Verizon’s proposal as a part of a 90-day pre-application municipal consultation process under Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 16-50l(f). Because the proposed Facility will be located on Town property that was specifically selected by the Town as an appropriate location for the Facility and because Verizon’s proposal was accepted by the Town following a public RFP process, the Town does not require any additional time to review technical information about the proposed Facility before Verizon files its Council Application. Accordingly, the Town waives the 90-day municipal consultation requirement described in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 16-50l(f).

Sincerely,

Lynne Vanderslice
First Selectwoman