

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

Docket No. 546

Crown Castle Towers 06-2 LLC and
New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T
application for a Certificate of Environmental
Compatibility and Public Need for the
construction, maintenance, and operation of a
telecommunications facility and associated
equipment located at 70 Universal Drive,
North Haven, Connecticut

Public Comment Session held on Tuesday,
February 3, 2026, beginning at 6:30 p.m.,
via Zoom.

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1 (The public comment session commenced
2 at 6:30 p.m.)

3 MS. HALL: Good evening, ladies and
4 gentlemen. This hearing is called to order this
5 Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. My name
6 is Khris Hall. I'm a member of the Connecticut
7 Siting Council. Other members of the Council are
8 Quat Nguyen, Chance Carter, I guess those are the
9 ones that we have this evening.

10 Members of the staff are Executive
11 Director Melanie Bachman, Siting Analyst Robert
12 Mercier and Administrative Support Lisa Fontaine.

13 If you haven't done so already, I ask
14 that everyone please mute their computer and/or
15 telephone now.

16 This is a continuation of a public
17 hearing that began at 2 p.m. this afternoon. A
18 copy of the prepared agenda is available on the
19 Council's website, along with the record of this
20 matter, the public hearing notice, instructions
21 for public access to the public hearing, and the
22 Council's Citizens Guide to Siting Council
23 Procedures.

24 This hearing is held pursuant to the
25 provisions of Title 16 of the Connecticut General

1 Statutes and of the Uniform Administrative
2 Procedure Act upon an application from Crown
3 Castle Towers 06-2 LLC and New Cingular Wireless
4 PCS, LLC, doing business as AT&T, for a
5 Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and
6 Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and
7 operation of a telecommunications facility and
8 associated equipment located at 70 Universal
9 Drive, North Haven, Connecticut. This application
10 was received by the Council on October 28, 2025.

11 This application is also governed by
12 the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which is
13 administered by the Federal Communications
14 Commission. This Act prohibits the Council from
15 considering the health impacts -- effects of radio
16 frequency emissions on human health and wildlife
17 to the extent the emissions from towers are within
18 the federal acceptable safe limits standard, which
19 standard is also followed by the state Department
20 of Public Health. The Federal Act also prohibits
21 this Council from discriminating between and
22 amongst providers of functionally equivalent
23 services. This means that if one carrier already
24 provides service for an area, other carriers have
25 a right to compete and provide service in the same

1 area.

2 The Council's legal notice of the date
3 and time of this public hearing was published in
4 The Advisor on November 25, 2025. Upon this
5 Council's request, the applicants erected a sign
6 in the vicinity of the proposed site so as to
7 inform the public of the name of the applicants,
8 the type of facility, the public hearing date, and
9 contact information for the Council, website and
10 phone number.

11 As a reminder to all, off-the-record
12 communication with a member of the Council or a
13 member of the Council's staff upon the merits of
14 this application is prohibited by law.

15 This public comment session is reserved
16 for members of the public who signed up to make
17 brief statements into the record. The deadline
18 for the public to sign up to speak during this
19 public comment session was Monday, February 2,
20 2026. No member of the public signed up to speak.
21 Please be advised that written comments may be
22 submitted by any person within 30 days of this
23 public hearing.

24 I request the applicants to make a very
25 brief presentation to the public describing the

1 proposed facility, Mr. Regan.

2 ATTORNEY REGAN: Thank you, Chairman --
3 thank you, Member Hall.

4 Melanie, can you put up my -- thank
5 you.

6 My name is Tom Regan. I'm a partner at
7 Brown Rudnick, and we represent the applicants
8 Crown Castle and AT&T. The applicants currently
9 have a 120-foot tower located at 120 Universal
10 Drive in North Haven, which is shown on the --
11 denoted on the two site plans above.

12 We are seeking the Council's permission
13 to relocate the tower to 70 Universal Drive and
14 slightly increase its size to 138 feet. The
15 relocation is necessary because the current
16 property owner is not renewing the lease, the
17 applicants' lease, and is no longer interested in
18 hosting a tower on their property. The site is
19 located east of 91 in a light industrial area near
20 a railroad yard, retail stores and restaurants.

21 Melanie, can you flip through the next
22 two? Thank you.

23 The proposed tower will be located
24 within a 490-foot fenced compound to the rear of
25 the property, as shown on the site plan attached.

1 Access to the compound will be through an existing
2 paved parking lot. Utilities will be underground
3 from an existing pole. There will be very little
4 environmental impact and no trees removed.

5 The applicants will remove the existing
6 tower once the proposed tower is constructed. The
7 relocation will allow AT&T to maintain wireless
8 communications including 5G and FirstNet.

9 T-Mobile is currently located on the
10 existing tower, and they will be relocating to the
11 new tower. Verizon has also intervened in the
12 application and requested locating on the new
13 tower. The Town of North Haven was consulted with
14 this relocation and has expressed its support.
15 Thank you.

16 MS. HALL: Thank you, Mr. Regan.

17 Before closing this hearing, the
18 Connecticut Siting Council announces that briefs
19 and proposed findings of fact may be filed with
20 the Council by any party or intervenor no later
21 than March 5, 2026. The submission of briefs or
22 proposed findings of fact are not required by this
23 Council; rather, we leave it to the choice of the
24 parties and intervenors.

25 My dog is trying to get into the act.

1 Anyone who has not become a party or
2 intervenor but who desires to make his or her
3 views known to the Council may file written
4 statements with the Council within 30 days of the
5 date hereof.

6 The Council will issue draft findings
7 of fact, and thereafter parties and intervenors
8 may identify errors or inconsistencies between the
9 Council's draft findings of fact and the record,
10 however, no new information, no new evidence, no
11 argument, and no reply briefs without our
12 permission will be considered by the Council.

13 Copies of the transcript of this
14 hearing will be filed at the North Haven Town
15 Clerk's Office.

16 I hereby declare this hearing
17 adjourned. Thank you for your participation.

18 ATTORNEY REGAN: Thank you.

19 (Whereupon, the above proceedings
20 concluded at 6:37 p.m.)

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing 9 pages are a complete and accurate computer-aided transcription of my original stenotype notes taken of the Connecticut Siting Council Public Comment Session in Re: DOCKET NO. 546, CROWN CASTLE TOWERS 06-2 LLC AND NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT LOCATED AT 70 UNIVERSAL DRIVE, NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, which was held before KHRISTINE HALL, SITING COUNCIL MEMBER, via Zoom, on February 3, 2026.



Lisa L. Warner, CSR 061

Notary Public

My commission expires:

May 31, 2028

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