

STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and Sections 149-150 of Special Act No. 21-2, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on Thursday, March 31, 2022, beginning with an evidentiary session at 2:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will be on the reopening of the Council's April 26, 2021 final decision to issue Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Certificate Holder) a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, Connecticut, based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b).

On February 24, 2022, the Council, pursuant to a motion filed by the Certificate Holder, reopened its final decision to consider changed conditions associated with relocating the approved facility to a new location in the southwestern portion of the Sacred Heart University campus. The 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the Certificate Holder, parties and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. **No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.** The 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. During the 6:30 p.m. public comment session, the Certificate Holder will present an overview of the proposed facility.

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81637705039?pwd=RllPb3NUbmtYVHRVM1Noa2NkZjg5Zz09

from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. Meeting ID: 816 3770 5039 and Passcode: y6taQd. No prior software download is required. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at 1(929) 205-6099 (not toll free) and then enter the Meeting ID: 816 3770 5039 and Passcode: 918723 from a telephone.

Interested persons may join any session to listen, but must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session.

To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by computer, smartphone or tablet**, please send an email to siting.council@ct.gov with your name, email address and mailing address by March **24, 2022**. To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by telephone**, please leave a voicemail message at 860-827-2935 with your name, telephone number, and mailing address by March **24, 2022**. Public comments may also be submitted to the Council by electronic mail or by regular mail.

Any person may be removed from the Zoom remote evidentiary session or public comment session at the discretion of the Council.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed electronically with the Council and all parties and intervenors by March 24, 2022.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at siting.council@ct.gov, on or before March 24, 2022.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days of the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be posted on the Council's project webpage and deposited in the Town Clerk's Office of the Fairfield Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by March 24, 2022.

Information about how the public hearing will be conducted and how the public can access it will be posted on the Council's Docket No. 495A project webpage at the following link: https://portal.ct.gov/CSC/1_Applications-and-Other-Pending-Matters/Pending-Matters

The Certificate Holder is represented by the following:

Certificate Holder

Its Representative

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A copy of the Motion to Reopen and the record of Docket No. 495 are available for review on the Council's website at <u>portal.ct.gov/csc</u> under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this matter Docket No. 495A.