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April 8, 2021

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director MAB

RE: **DOCKET NO. 498** – Diamond Towers V, LLC application for a Certificate of

Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 185 Academy Road

(Route 68/Route 70), Cheshire, Connecticut.

## I. Introduction

The application is from Diamond Towers V, LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Cheshire, Connecticut. It identifies Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless as the anchor tenant.

#### II. Technical

The application conforms to the Council's *Application Guide for Community Antenna Television and Telecommunication Facilities* dated July 2012, includes relevant maps, descriptions of the site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. This project would not require an outside consultant.

#### III. Administrative Review

All service and filing requirements pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) § 16-50*l* (b) have been fulfilled. Notice to the general public was published in the <u>Cheshire Herald</u>.

#### IV. Procedural

Pursuant to CGS §16-50m, the Council must schedule a public hearing not less than 30 days and no more than 150 days after receipt of an application. At least one public hearing session shall be held after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. The Council must also designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. In accordance with CGS §16-50m and Governor Lamont's March 14, 2020 Executive Order No. 7B, as extended, staff recommends holding a remote public hearing via Zoom conferencing on May 11, 2021, and depositing the transcript in Cheshire Town Hall.

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Enclosure: Schedule

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## **SCHEDULE**

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Application received	03/11/21
Completeness review	04/08/21
Council Interrogatories	
Set-One Filed	TBD
Set-One responses due	TBD
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Pre-hearing tele-conference - 11:00 a.m.	04/21/21
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	04/27/21
Deadline for Pre-filed Testimony and Responses to Interrogatories	05/04/21
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	05/04/21
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment	05/11/21
session via Zoom conferencing	
(refer to Hearing Information section on Docket 498 project webpage for	
Zoom conferencing log in/call in)	
Continued Evidentiary Session(s)	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	05/11//21
Close of Public Comment Period	06/10/21
Draft Findings of Fact	07/01/21
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	07/15/21
Deadline for Decision	08/08/21
90-day extension of Deadline for Decision per Emergency Orders, as	11/06/21
extended	

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