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November 27, 2020

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 495** – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for 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.

I. Introduction

The application is from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 5151 Park Avenue in Fairfield, Connecticut. The municipalities of Trumbull, Easton, and Bridgeport are within 2,500 feet of the proposed facility.

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 proposed 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) § 16-50l (b) have been fulfilled. Notice to the general public was published in the *Connecticut Post*.

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, staff recommends holding a remote public hearing via Zoom conferencing on January 21, 2021, and depositing the transcript in the Fairfield, Easton and Trumbull Town Halls and the Bridgeport City Hall.

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Enclosure: Schedule



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DRAFT SCHEDULE

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Application received	10/16/20
Council request for more information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50/-1a	10/21/2020
Dates Applicant submitted complete information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50/-1a	10/26/2020 & 10/29/2020
Completeness review (w/ extension)	12/03/20
Council Interrogatories (<i>tentative</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set-One Filed• Set-One responses due	12/15/20 01/05/21
Pre-hearing tele-conference - 11:00 a.m.	12/30/20
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	01/07/21
Deadline for Pre-filed Testimony and Responses to Interrogatories	01/14/21
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	01/14/21
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment session via Zoom conferencing (<i>refer to Hearing Information section on Docket 495 project webpage for Zoom conferencing log in/call in</i>)	01/21/21
Close of Evidentiary Record	01/21/21
Close of Public Comment Period	02/20/21
Draft Findings of Fact	02/25/21
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	03/11/21
Deadline for Decision	03/15/21
90-day extension of Deadline for Decision per Executive Order No. 9A	06/13/21

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