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May 9, 2025

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

RE: DOCKET NO. 536 – Tarpon Towers III, LLC and 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 and associated equipment located at 78 Goshen East

Street, Norfolk, Connecticut. Completeness Review.

I. Introduction

The application is from Tarpon Towers III, LLC and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Norfolk, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application conforms to the Council's *Application Guide for Community Antenna Television and Telecommunication Facilities*, 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) § 16-50*l* (b) have been fulfilled. Notice to the general public was published in the <u>Republican American</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. Staff recommends holding a public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on August 14, 2025 and depositing the transcript in the Norfolk Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

Enclosure: Revised Schedule

REVISED SCHEDULE

DOCKET NO. 536 – Tarpon Towers III, LLC and 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 and associated equipment located at 78 Goshen East Street, Norfolk, Connecticut.

Application received	04/17/2025
Completeness review	05/15/2025
Council Interrogatories	
Set-One Issued	TBD
Set-One Responses due	TBD
Pre-hearing conference via Zoom remote conferencing – 11:00 a.m.	07/16/2025
Deadline for Exchange of Interrogatories between Parties and	07/31/2025
Intervenors	
Deadline for pre-filed testimony and responses to interrogatories	08/07/2025
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	08/07/2025
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public	08/14/2025
comment session via Zoom remote conferencing	
(refer to Hearing Information section on Docket 536 project	
webpage for Zoom remote conferencing log in/call in)	
Continued Evidentiary Session(s) (if necessary)	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	TBD
Close of Public Comment Period	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	TBD
Deadline for Final Decision	09/14/2025

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