

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

### CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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# Meeting Minutes Meeting of August 15, 2019

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, August 15, 2019, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Presiding Officer Robert Silvestri at 1:00 p.m.

#### **Council Members Present:**

Robert Silvestri Presiding Officer Edward Edelson Michael Harder Daniel P. Lynch, Jr. Robert Hannon (designee for Commissioner Dykes) Larry Levesque (designee for Chairman Gillett)

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Melanie Bachman Executive Director/Staff Attorney Christina Walsh Supervising Siting Analyst Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo Siting Analyst Robert Mercier Siting Analyst Michael Perrone Siting Analyst

#### **Recording Secretary:**

Lisa Mathews

#### 1. Minutes of July 18, 2019.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the minutes of July 18, 2019, as amended; seconded by Mr. Hannon.

The motion passed with Mr. Edelson abstaining.

Mr. Harder arrived at 1:05 p.m.

2. DOCKET NO. 485 - MCM Holdings, 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 at one of two sites: 1542 Boston Post Road or at the end of Kirtland Street, Westbrook, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, as amended; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed unanimously

- 3. DOCKET NO. 486 Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, and Deposition of the Transcript. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.
  - Mr. Edelson moved to approve the schedule per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri abstaining.
  - Mr. Edelson moved to grant Intervenor status to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri abstaining.
- 4. PETITION NO. 1222 Windham Solar LLC declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of three 2.0 Megawatt and four 1.0 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facilities located southeast of Hartford Turnpike and south of Fisk Road, Hampton, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.
  - Mr. Edelson moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. PETITION NO. 1373 New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed modifications to an existing wireless telecommunications facility at the Simsbury Volunteer Fire Department located at 345 Bushy Hill Road, Simsbury, Connecticut. Decision.
  - Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report an additional condition that the petitioner submit an erosion and sedimentation control plan prior to commencement of construction, and the request that AT&T provide written confirmation of the amount of fill required to develop the site; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. PETITION NO. 1374 Doosan Fuel Cell America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 440-kilowatt customer-side combined heat and power fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at Carla's Pasta, 280 Nutmeg Road, South Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.
  - Mr. Edelson moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

7. PETITION NO. 1375 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, T-Mobile Northeast, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC joint petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a temporary telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 1052 Boston Post Road, Milford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch voting no.

8. PETITION NO. 1376 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed electrical interconnection between its existing Scitico Substation located at 20 Bailey Road, Enfield, Connecticut and Nutmeg Solar, LLC's 19.6 megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located generally south of Bailey Road and east of Route 191 (Broad Brook Road) in Enfield, Connecticut consisting of modifications to the Scitico Substation, relocation of the existing No. 1976 electric transmission line that terminates at Scitico Substation, the construction, operation and maintenance of a new approximately 330-foot 115-kilovolt (kV) underground transmission line, and related substation and electric transmission line structure improvements. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Edelson moved to grant Party status to Nutmeg Solar, LLC; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.

9. PETITION NO. 1377 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a small cell wireless telecommunications facility on an approximately 34-foot Eversource-owned replacement utility pole located outside of the public right of way adjacent to 195 Main Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

10. TS-SIGFOX-015-190702 - Sigfox NIP, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 1069 Connecticut Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edeslon moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

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11. TS-SIGFOX-135-190705 - Sigfox NIP, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 168 Catoona Lane, Stamford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed unanimously.

12. TS-T-MOBILE-088-190716 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located 641 Maple Hill Road, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edeslon moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 13. Administrative Matters.

The following calendar dates were discussed:

- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, August 29, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. **CANCELLED**.
- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, September 12, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

### Adjournment.

Mr. Edelson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously. Presiding Officer Silvestri adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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