



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

August 5, 2016

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.  
Robinson & Cole LLP  
280 Trumbull Street  
Hartford, CT 06103-3597

RE: **PETITION NO. 1242** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing office building located at 330 Market Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting held on August 4, 2016, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) considered and ruled that the above-referenced proposal would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect, and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50k, would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need with the following conditions:

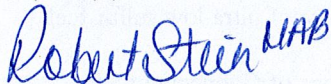
1. Use of off-road construction equipment that meets the latest EPA or California Air Resources Board standards, or in the alternative, equipment with the best available controls on diesel emissions, including, but not limited to, retrofitting with diesel oxidation catalysts, particulate filters and use of ultra-low sulfur fuel;
2. Compliance with the provisions of Section 22a-174-18(b)(3)(C) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies that limit the idling of mobile sources to 3 minutes;
3. Approval of any minor project changes shall be delegated to Council staff;
4. Unless otherwise approved by the Council, if the facility authorized herein is not fully constructed within three years from the date of the mailing of the Council's decision, this decision shall be void, and the facility owner/operator shall dismantle the facility and remove all associated equipment or reapply for any continued or new use to the Council before any such use is made. The time between the filing and resolution of any appeals of the Council's decision shall not be counted in calculating this deadline. Authority to monitor and modify this schedule, as necessary, is delegated to the Executive Director. The facility owner/operator shall provide written notice to the Executive Director of any schedule changes as soon as is practicable;
5. Any request for extension of the time period to fully construct the facility shall be filed with the Council not later than 60 days prior to the expiration date of this decision and shall be served on all parties and intervenors, if applicable, and the City of Hartford;

6. Within 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed;
7. Any nonfunctioning antenna and associated antenna mounting equipment on this facility owned and operated by the Petitioner shall be removed within 60 days of the date the antenna ceased to function;
8. The facility owner/operator shall remit timely payments associated with annual assessments and invoices submitted by the Council for expenses attributable to the facility under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v;
9. This Declaratory Ruling may be transferred, provided the facility owner/operator/transferor is current with payments to the Council for annual assessments and invoices under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v and the transferee provides written confirmation that the transferee agrees to comply with the terms, limitations and conditions contained in the Declaratory Ruling, including timely payments to the Council for annual assessments and invoices under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v; and
10. If the facility owner/operator is a wholly owned subsidiary of a corporation or other entity and is sold/transferred to another corporation or other entity, the Council shall be notified of such sale and/or transfer and of any change in contact information for the individual or representative responsible for management and operations of the facility within 30 days of the sale and/or transfer.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council and is not applicable to any other modification or construction. All work is to be implemented as specified in the petition dated June 29, 2016.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the staff report on this project.

Very truly yours,



Robert Stein  
Chairman

RS/CMW/lm

Enclosure: Staff Report dated August 4, 2016

- c: The Honorable Luke Bronin, Mayor, City of Hartford  
Jamie Bratt, Director of Planning and Economic Development, City of Hartford  
Community Renewal Team, Inc.



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### Petition No. 1242

#### Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

330 Market Street, Hartford

Small Cell Facility

Staff Report

August 4, 2016

On June 30, 2016, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a petition from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility at 330 Market Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Cellco is proposing the install a small cell facility to provide wireless service in its 2100 MHz frequency range.

The proposed small cell facility would consist of a small tower attached to the roof of the existing office building on the property. A canister antenna with a centerline height of 38.1 feet above ground level (agl) and a remote radio head would be installed on the tower. The tower and its appurtenances would be screened by a faux chimney enclosure extending to approximately 39.8 feet agl. This is approximately 11 feet above the 29-foot high roof. Equipment would be installed in a wall-mounted cabinet at grade on the north side of the building within a four-foot by nine-foot lease area. Electrical and telephone service would extend from existing service on the property.

The subject property is 0.6 acre parcel in Hartford's CX-1 Commercial-Industrial zone district. Land uses around the property consist of commercial, industrial and Interstate 91. The proposed small cell would have minimum visual impact to the surrounding area as it would be concealed as a faux chimney and views are limited to within approximately 550 feet of the property. The finish of the faux chimney would be consistent with the existing building material and color.

The maximum worst-case power density would be 0.6 percent of the applicable limit. Notice is not required to the Federal Aviation Administration.

Notice was provided to the City of Hartford, the property owner, and abutting property owners on or about June 29, 2016. The City of Hartford Department of Development Services submitted a letter dated July 20, 2016 stating that the proposed facility would not comply with the City's Zoning Regulations and; therefore, should be denied.

Cellco contends that this proposed project would not have a substantial adverse environmental impact.

Staff recommends the following conditions:

1. Use of off-road construction equipment that meets the latest EPA or California Air Resources Board standards, or in the alternative, equipment with the best available controls on diesel emissions, including, but not limited to, retrofitting with diesel oxidation catalysts, particulate filters and use of ultra-low sulfur fuel;
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Site Location

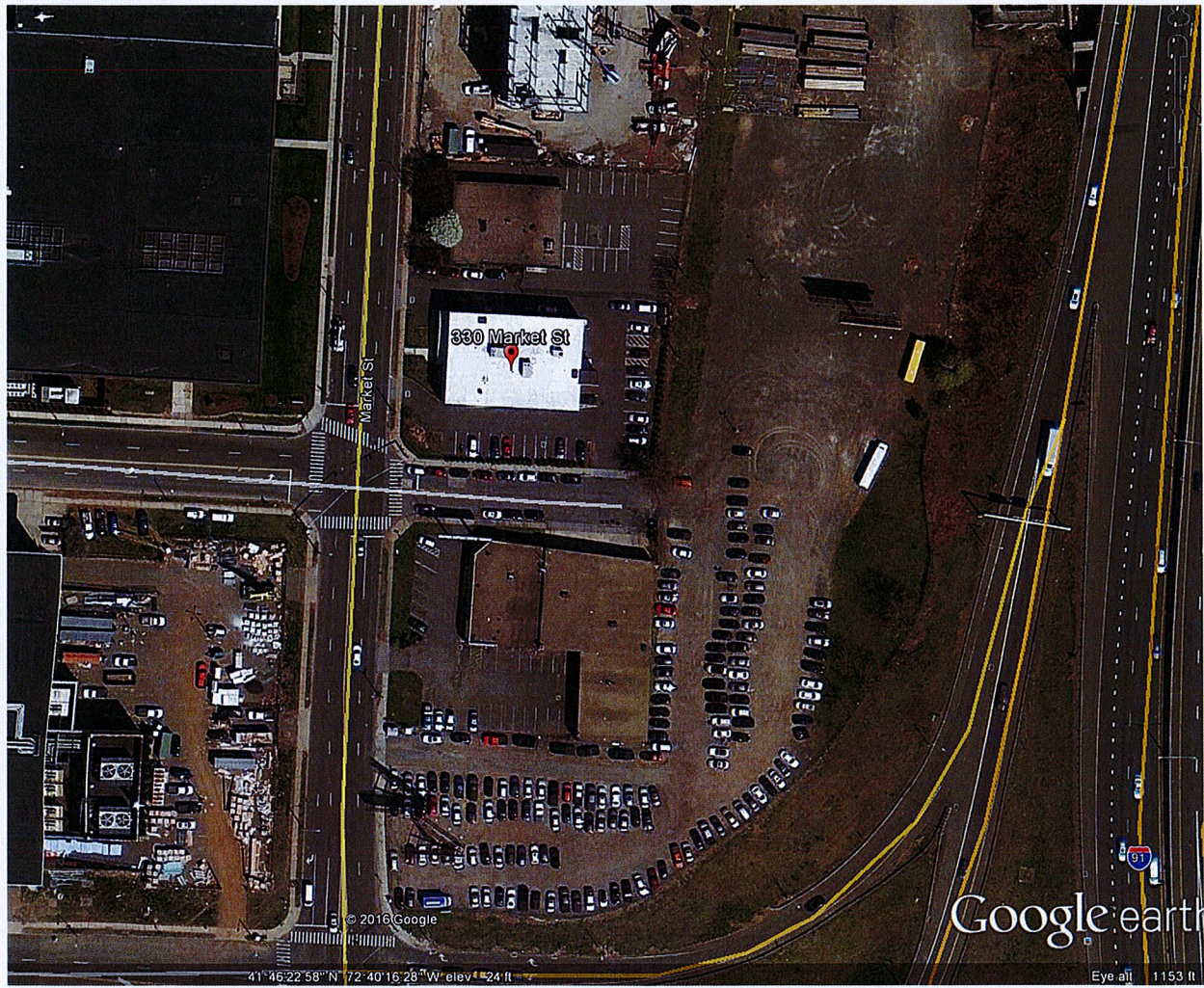


Photo-simulation as viewed from Market Street

