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Chairman Jonathan Kanter and Members of the Planning Board Town of Fishkill 807 Route 52 Fishkill, NY 12524 RECEIVED
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Planning Department
Town of Fishkill

Re: Homeland Towers Route 9 Wireless Facility

Homeland Towers, LLC & Verizon Wireless (Tax Parcel ID 133089-6154-00-8523438-0000) 73 Route 9 Fishkill, NY 12524

Dear Chairman Kanter and Members of the Planning Board:

As you are aware, we represent Homeland Towers, LLC, ("Homeland Towers") and Verizon Wireless (collectively, "Applicants") in connection with a proposal to construct a personal wireless services facility, including a 150-foot monopole with a fenced equipment compound at the base thereof ("Facility"), at the above referenced property ("Property").

In furtherance of the foregoing, and in response to comments from the Planning Board's July 11th meeting, enclosed please find five (5) copies of the following:

- 1) RF Engineer Review of Alternative Sites;
- 2) Site Acquisition Review of Alternative Sites;
- 3) Saratoga Letter in Response to Scenic Hudson Comments;
- 4) Updated Visual Resource Assessment; and
- 5) Revised Site Plan.

Also enclosed herewith is a thumb drive with an electronic copy of the filing and all attachments.

The Applicants also offer the following in response to certain public comments made at the July 11th public hearing.

Traffic Impacts

There were comments about potential traffic impacts from the proposed Facility and the dangerous conditions along Route 9. Please note that the Facility is unmanned and presents almost no traffic impacts. After construction the Facility will only require infrequent visits by a single or pair of technicians (per carrier) for maintenance, which often requires only a few visits to the site a year. Therefore, there is practically no use that would present less of a traffic impact than the Facility. Furthermore, the services from the Facility, including the ability to make 911 phone calls, would benefit those traveling along this section of Route 9 and could be used to call for assistance in the event of an emergency or accident along Route 9.

Noise

There were comments about potential noise impacts to Carol Lane. It must be noted that the closest residence on Carol Lane is over 1,000 feet away from the Facility and between Carol Lane and the Facility are several industrial uses that would be more audible than, and likely drown out, any noise produced by the Facility. Generally, the antennas and towers themselves do not make noise at a discernable level and only generators are reviewed when reviewing noise impacts. The generator proposed at this site would only be used in the event of a power failure and the routine cycling (generally once a week) can be scheduled for times that are least impactful such as during the day on a weekday, however it is unlikely that the residents at Carol Lane would even be able to hear the generator with their homes being located at distances greater than 1,000 feet from the Facility.

The remaining comments regarding simulations showing full buildout, a review of alternative sites further north, impacts to the gateway, and Battery Monument have been addressed in the materials submitted herewith.

If you have any questions or require additional documentation, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to discussing this matter with the Planning Board at the August 8, 2024 continuation of the public hearing.

Very truly yours,

David J. Kenny

Enclosures

cc: Town Zoning Board of Appeals

Applicants

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