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STAFF MEMO

To: Albemarle County Board of Supervisors From: Rebecca Ragsdale, Planning Manager

Date: June 15, 2022

Re: SE202200032 Cedar Bluff Wireless Facility Special Exception

TMP: 04500-00-00100

Magisterial District: Rio

School Districts: Broadus Wood E.S.; Jouett M.S.; Albemarle H.S.

Zoning: RA Rural Areas

County Code § 18-5.1.40(a)(12) allows special exceptions to waive or modify the requirements of County Code § 18-5.1.40 for personal wireless service facilities. This request is to modify County Code § 18-5.1.40(b)(2)(c), which requires that antennas be mounted so that the closest point of the back of the antenna be no more than 12 inches from the facility and that the farthest point of the back of the antenna be no more than 18 inches from the facility.

This special exception request is to increase the distance of the closest point of the back of proposed antenna from 12 inches to 18 inches from the facility. At no point would the back of antenna project more than 18 inches.

Staff analysis of the request is provided in Attachment A.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment E) approving the special exception with the following condition:

1. No antenna authorized by this special exception may project more than 18 inches from the face of the monopole to the farthest point of the back of the antenna.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Staff Analysis
- B. Applicant's Request
- C. Proposed Plans
- D. Location Map
- E. Resolution