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RE: ARB-2017-119: Western Albemarle High School Tier III PWSF

Dear Ms. Schweller,

The Albemarle County Architectural Review Board, at its meeting on January 8, 2018, reviewed the above noted petition to construct a 145'-tall steel monopole with associated equipment. Special exceptions have been requested to allow more than three (3) arrays, to allow mounting equipment to exceed the maximum standoff distance, and to allow disturbance of critical slopes onsite. The ARB took the following actions:

Regarding the ground equipment and base station

The Board, by a vote of 4:0, approved the application as proposed.

Regarding the visibility of the monopole

The Board, by a vote of 4:0, forwarded the following recommendation to the agent:

As viewed from the Entrance Corridor (EC), screening of the monopole is provided primarily by off-site trees outside of the control of the School Board. Should that off-site wooded area adjacent to the Rt. 250 EC be lost, the view of the monopole from the EC is expected to increase dramatically. Consequently, the facility is not being sited to minimize its visibility, particularly if visual impacts are to be resolved on site. Visibility of the pole from the EC adjacent to the school property can be reduced with the addition of evergreen trees in the lawn area adjacent to the chain link fence and the retention of existing trees (and replacement of trees that die) in this area. Consider a color other than Java Brown to further minimize the visibility of the pole.

You may consider this letter your Certificate of Appropriateness for the ground equipment and base station. This approval is specifically conditioned on the following:

1. Execution of the design indicated on the final approved plans, attachments, materials, samples, and other submittal items presented.
2. Mechanical equipment shall not be visible from the Entrance Corridor.

If you have any questions concerning any of the above, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Margaret Maliszewski
Chief of Planning/Resource Management