COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE TRANSMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SUMMARY OF PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

AGENDA TITLE:

SP201700026 Western Albemarle High School - Tier III Personal Wireless Service Facility

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:

Special use permit request to install a 145 foot tall steel monopole with three antenna arrays. The tower is located behind the bleachers adjacent to the football field on the eastern side of the parcel. Included are special exceptions to Section 5.1.40(b)(2)(b) (size of antenna), Section 5.1.40(b)(2)(c) (antenna projection), and Section 4.2.5 (disturbance of critical slopes).

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Elementary: Brownsville; Middle: Henley;

High: Western Albemarle

AGENDA DATE:

September 12, 2018

STAFF CONTACT(S):

Walker, Kamptner, Graham, Gast-Bray, Benish, Perez

PRESENTER (S):

Christopher Perez

BACKGROUND:

At its meeting on June 26, 2018, the Planning Commission voted 4:1 (Bivins Nay)(Spain, Riley absent) to recommend denial of SP201700026 and all associated Special Exceptions.

DISCUSSION: The Planning Commission's Staff Report, Action letter, and Minutes from the June 26th meeting are attached. Additionally staff received significant citizen communication after the PC meeting and has provided these communications in Attachment D.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommendation is unchanged from the staff report. Staff recommends denial of SP201700026 and the SE to Section 5.1.40(b)(2)(b) (size of antenna). Staff has no objections to the approval of the special exceptions for Section 5.1.40(b)(2)(c) (antenna projection), and Section 4.2.5 (disturbance of critical slopes).

If the Board approves this special use permit application, staff recommends that the Board adopt the resolution to approve SP201700026, subject to the conditions contained therein (Attachment E).

Attachments F, G, and H are the proposed Resolutions approving the three special exceptions.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A Planning Commission staff report
- B Planning Commission action letter
- C Planning Commission minutes
- D Updated citizen communication received since the PC meeting (previously Attachment H in the PC staff report)
- E Resolution to approve SP 17-26
- F Resolution to approve antenna projection special exception
- G Resolution to approve critical slopes disturbance special exception
- H Resolution to approve antenna size special exception