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Ms. Michelle D. Lyons, Chair
Telecommunications Transmission Facility Coordinating Committee
Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement
9400 Peppercorn Place, 5th Floor
Largo, MD 20774

Dear Ms. Lyons:

The County Council is in receipt of the 2019 Telecommunications Transmission Facility Coordinating Committee (TTFCC) Master Plan and Annual Report. The TTFCC Master Plan and Annual Report are required to be transmitted to the Council for its review and comment pursuant to Section 5A-155 of the Prince George's County Code. After a review of the 2019 Master Plan and Annual Report, the County Council has no further comment about the telecommunications siting process.

However, with regard to Small Wireless Technology, the Council is concerned that once CB-58-2019 and CB-59-2019 are implemented, the County will be overwhelmed by new applications for Small Wireless facilities, especially when federal requirements such as review period shot clocks are factored in. It is suggested that you consider additional staffing for the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) so that we can continue timely processing of what is already the highest volume of applications in the state for telecommunications facilities.

During the next legislative session, the Council will likely request an update on the progress of implementing CB-58-2019 and CB-59-2019 and how well we are maintaining what is already a busy workload for the Tower Committee.

The Council supports the proposed TTFCC Master Plan and Annual Report for 2019. Thank you, for the opportunity to present our concerns about the TTFCC Master Plan and Annual Report for 2019 and the continuing dialogue.

Sincerely,

Todd M. Turner
Council Chair

cc: Council Members
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