

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

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REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorable, 10-0 (Council Members Oriadha, Adams-Stafford, Burroughs, Blegay, Dernoga, Harrison, Hunter, Ivey, Fisher, and Olson)

The Prince George's County Council met as the Committee of the Whole (COW) on February 17, 2026, to consider the Fiscal Year 2026 Master Plan (Plan) from the Telecommunications Transmission Facilities Coordinating Committee (TTFCC).

Council staff provided an overview of the Telecommunications Transmission Facility Coordinating Committee (TTFCC) Master Plan and Annual Report, which are required to be transmitted to the Council for its review and comment pursuant to Section 5A-155 of the County Code. According to the TTFCC report, all applications must comply with the health, safety, and welfare section of the Prince George's County Code and with federal and state regulations and laws, including those of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The Master Plan displays the locations where one or more wireless service providers have sited telecommunications antennas or may site antennas in the future and are displayed on a map.

The Annual Report informs the County Executive, the County Council, and residents of the TTFCC's activities during the year. It summarizes the TTFCC's purpose, procedures, activities, and history, and includes a summary of accomplishments and recommended strategies for further improvement.

During the meeting, the TTFCC Chair, Michelle Lyons, briefed the Council on the highlights of the report. TTFCC received 187 total applications in the last calendar year, an increase of 4 percent from the prior year. While the total number of applications increased slightly, applications for Small Wireless Facilities (SWFs) decreased by 43 percent, from 88 to 50 last year. Of the 50 SWF applications received, 44 were T-Mobile applications to collocate on existing utility poles in the public right-of-way. A T-Mobile representative noted that they reduced their SWF applications in last year because they

needed to focus on the final permitting process and installations for the large number of sitings approved the year before, (which County guidelines require to be completed within 12 months).

Applications in the County have decreased due to the federal auction lapse, and one of the carriers, Dish Wireless, sold its business to AT&T and SpaceX. Their sites may be decommissioned.

Historically, most applications reviewed by the TTFCC are recommended because they meet all requirements. TTFCC does not approve every application, and when a carrier does not adequately address a request for information, the application is disapproved.

After a favorable motion by Council Member Adams-Stafford and a second by Council Member Fisher, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted favorably 10-0.