

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

TO: District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment

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DATE: February 20, 2018

SUBJECT: MODIFICATION REQUEST - BZA Case No. 19415A: Application of Verizon Wireless, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle Y § 703, for a modification of consequence to the time limit condition of BZA Order No. 19415 to allow the temporary location of a Cell on Wheels (COW) in the RF-1 Zone on Square 643E, Lot 800.

I. RECOMMENDATION

The Office of Planning recommends that the Board **approve** modification of the time limit of the issued Order 19415, as requested by the applicant.

II. BACKGROUND

In BZA Order 19415, dated February 13, 2017 the Board granted special exception relief to permit the installation of a temporary cell on wheels (COW), on the periphery of the Randall Recreation Center adjacent to South Capitol Street, S.W. This installation was needed to replace a previous antenna site, and avoid impacts on coverage in its service area until a permanent location was found. The Board's order granted the approval for a period of one year until March 15, 2018.

III.PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS

The applicant has requested that Condition #1 of the Order be modified as follows:

1. Approval of the temporary location of the COW is granted for a term to extend the approval by a period of six (6) months until September 15, 2018.

IV. OP ANALYSIS OF THE MODIFICATIONS

The request for a modification of consequence is based on the criteria of Subtitle Y § 703.6, including the nature of, reason(s) and grounds for the modification (§ 703.6 (b).). The applicant has cited that additional time was needed to facilitate the search, lease negotiations, plan and permit filing along with construction of the permanent location at Capitol Park Plaza. At this time, the plans are at the permit review stage and buildout of the site is anticipated upon receipt of the permits.

OP does not object to the requested extension and modification of the Order as noted prior.