

AT A PUBLIC HEARING IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HAMPTON CITY PLANNING COMMISSION HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, ON MAY 14, 2007 AT 3:30 P.M.

- WHEREAS:** The Hampton Planning Commission has before it this day Use Permit Application No. 1028 by Verizon Wireless to bring an existing 122' monopole tower at 24 Skyland Drive into conformance to allow co-locators; and
- WHEREAS:** The property is zoned Limited Commercial District (C-2), which permits commercial communications towers with an approved Use Permit; and
- WHEREAS:** The existing tower was built prior to the requirement that towers obtain a use permit and is therefore considered a legal non-conforming use; and
- WHEREAS:** Hampton Community Plan (2006, as amended) includes a tower placement hierarchy which requires providers first seek co-location opportunities. The applicant has shown that co-location on an existing nearby tower is not a feasible option; and
- WHEREAS:** Permitting this existing tower would create co-location opportunities for service providers looking to locate in this area; and
- WHEREAS:** Hampton Community Plan (2006, as amended) Land Use Plan recommends Commercial and Public/ Semi-public uses for this area and a cell towers are generally recommended uses in these land use designations; and
- WHEREAS:** *The Buckroe Master Plan* (2005, as amended) makes recommendations to revitalize the Buckroe Shopping Center, however executing this recommendation would not be impaired by allowing the existing tower to remain in place; and
- WHEREAS:** There were no speakers from the public regarding this application.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** on a motion by Commissioner Timothy Smith and seconded by Commissioner Andre McCloud,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Planning Commission recommends approval of Use Permit Application No. 1028.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES:	McCloud, Thorstad, Smith, Wallace, Sapp, Young
NAYS:	None
ABST:	None
ABSENT:	Heath

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Terry P. O'Neill
Secretary to Commission