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04/27/2023

To: Members of our School Community

Update: Washington Elementary/T-Mobile Cell Equipment

I want to continue to keep you updated on what we as a district are pursuing in our ongoing discussions concerning the cell phone equipment located at Washington Elementary.

We were notified that Michelle Sanders is no longer handling the issue. Our new contact person is Evelyn Sanguinetti. Attached is the letter we received from T-Mobile about this change.

We sent the following request to T-Mobile, through our attorney, Philip G. Clark from Thrun Law Firm, P.C. with a deadline for a response by April 26, 2023:

We met administratively this morning to review and discuss any current updates relevant to the T-Mobile situation at Washington Elementary. Based upon our discussion, several important pieces of information we have requested from T-Mobile, still have not been provided to us.

They are as follows;

- 1. Confirmation, including documentation, of State and City permit approvals relative to construction codes and zoning requirements for this specific project.*
- 2. The final inspections required prior to activation, will be conducted and approved by what entity-State or City of Wyandotte?*
- 3. At the meeting of March 28, 2023 school board workshop, which included T-Mobile representatives, a request was directed to the T-Mobile team, to provide the cost to remove the cell equipment from the smokestack. We were informed at that time, we would have that information within a week. We have not received it as of today.*
- 4. You forwarded a listing of multiple relocation sites for the tower, to T-Mobile. We would like to know if T-Mobile responded and identified any alternative location(s).*

Under the circumstances the district is dealing with on a daily basis, it is critical that we have responses to these questions no later than Wednesday April 26.

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Our Attorney received the following response from T-Mobile.

Thank you for your email of April 24, 2023, requesting answers to several questions regarding T-Mobile's wireless facility. T-Mobile remains committed to maintaining an open dialogue and answering questions relating to the use and operation of our wireless facility. I believe we've demonstrated that we're responsive and forthcoming regarding our site and related 5G technology. As requested, attached are copies of the original and renewed building permits issued by the City of Wyandotte and T-Mobile will request a final inspection prior to the site being activated.

While we appreciate the alternate locations provided by the District, upon evaluation and review, these locations are not viable due to construction and zoning requirements, and network needs.

T-Mobile looks forward to partnering with the District as set forth in our letter dated March 27th.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Sanguinetti
Sr. Siting Advocacy Manager – Central Region
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We did not receive a response to #3 and will be contacting T-Mobile again for the cost to remove the cell equipment from the smokestack. I am including the T-Mobile letter from March 27th and one we received from April 20th.

Lastly, we are also reviewing our options with an attorney who specializes in telecommunications. If it is determined this attorney can assist us, we will bring this to the School Board for the required approval.

As stated in the past, we will continue these conversations and provide updates when possible in hopes to find a resolution that will work for everyone.

Sincerely,



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March 27, 2023

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RE: 2018 lease agreement between T-Mobile and Wyandotte Public School District ("District") for operation of the cell site located at 1440 Superior Blvd., Wyandotte MI

Dear Superintendent Cost and President Kinney,

T-Mobile values the open communication we've continued to have with the school board members and community of Wyandotte. It was our pleasure to attend the March 21st public meeting and share more on our plans. While we followed the school board's guidance to have our representatives leave the meeting after our presentation to allow the meeting to continue, we remain available to answer any additional questions concerning the site and look forward to continuing to work with the school board to navigate next steps.

In response to the school board's requests, and in an effort to get this site up and running to support connectivity in this community:

1. T-Mobile will delay turning on the cell site until after the school year ends on June 9, 2023.
2. T-Mobile will notify you, the school board and the District in writing at least one week before starting the process to bring the site on-air, which will take up to 30 days.
3. In addition to the predictive analysis we shared with Superintendent Cost on March 14, 2023, that showed that RF emissions at the site are far below FCC limits for public exposure, T-Mobile will conduct pre- and post- on-air radio frequency (RF) emissions testing with a third-party professional. We welcome you and members of the school board to join us on-site during this testing.
4. T-Mobile will conduct annual RF emissions testing confirming compliance with applicable FCC guidelines and provide the results to the District.
5. T-Mobile will explore options to visually conceal the antennas and share those options with you, the school board, and the District.
6. T-Mobile will evaluate removing the permanent generator from the site. We will leave the pad in place so that in the event of a power outage, a portable generator can be brought in to restore service for the community.
7. T-Mobile will partner with your staff to design additional protective fencing for the ground equipment and generator pad at the site.

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We look forward to continuing to work with the you, the school board, District and Wyandotte community to best meet your needs to deliver the reliable connectivity you depend on. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Sanders

Michelle Sanders
On behalf of T-Mobile

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April 20, 2023

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Re: T-Mobile Wireless Facility Located at 1440 Superior Blvd, Wyandotte MI 48192
Site No.: DE05726

Dear President Kinney,

I am the new Central Region Senior Siting and Advocacy Manager and will be the point person regarding the T-Mobile Wireless Facility Located at 1440 Superior Blvd, Wyandotte MI 48192. We continue to be appreciative of the ongoing open communication with the Wyandotte school board members and their partners. Michelle Sanders recently had a conversation with Phillip Clark from Thrun Law Firm, and I want to follow up with some additional information regarding 5G technology.

A critical point to start with is that 5G is a platform that provides fast speed and reliable connectivity for data that travels on it. 5G is not a specific antenna, piece of equipment, or "new" technology or spectrum band. 5G is an operating standard that utilizes spectrum that wireless communications have used for decades. 5G is the evolution of wireless that started with 1G and the first cell phone, 2G and texting, 3G that gave phones online access and 4G which brought fast download speeds to video streaming and live video from your phone, growth in apps for almost everything we do like shopping, ride sharing, banking, and so much more. And now 5G is faster and has more capacity for data and wireless traffic than ever before. A strong and fast 5G network fuels innovation and businesses, brings investments and economic opportunities, supports public safety and first responders, and empowers education and learning in communities throughout the country.

T-Mobile's 5G uses repurposed radio waves within our already-existing low-band spectrum holdings that were used for decades to transmit broadcast TV. Our mid-band spectrum will be used to transmit prior generations of wireless technology (e.g., 2G, 3G, 4G). The physical facilities such as antennas used for 4G and 5G are often the same. It might be helpful to think of 5G as a software upgrade that will allow customers to experience our network in better and unprecedented ways.

There's been a lot of discussion around radio frequency (RF). RF emissions are sent by everything that operates with electricity, including common consumer electronics used every day such as TVs, radios, PCs/laptops/tablets, baby monitors, Wi-Fi routers, and household appliances. T-Mobile broadcasts signals over frequencies regulated and licensed by the FCC and will operate the subject site in compliance with FCC rules and regulations regarding maximum permissible exposure ("MPE") limits and guidelines. The MPE limits established by the FCC are designed to protect public health with a very large margin of safety and have been endorsed by the EPA and FDA.

And as T-Mobile previously noted, the predictive analysis shared last month showed RF emissions at the site are far below FCC limits for public exposure. We'll conduct pre- and post- on-air RF emissions testing at this site by



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a third party along with annual RF emissions testing to confirm with applicable FCC guidelines. Results will be provided to the school district.

If you have additional questions about 5G, please see the following links and online resources which contain science-based, authoritative information on this topic:

- FAQs from experts on 5G and EME: <https://www.wirelesshealthfacts.com/>
- FCC's Radio Frequency Safety website: www.fcc.gov/oet/rfsafety
- T-Mobile's 5G Plan: <https://www.t-mobile.com/5g>

Sincerely,

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