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TO: Planning Board

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RE: New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (aka AT & T) @ Town Hall Personal
Wireless Service Facility (PWSF) Site Plan/Special Permit Modification
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SCTM# 300-188-1-4

Last Review Date: Public hearing held on January 13, 2021

Items and Date Received: 01/28/21 Applicant submission; Cover letter re: Ten (10) copies of the Sound data for the proposed Generator. Digital copies sent via e-mail.

Background Information: Application has been made to modify an existing Personal Wireless Service Facility (PWSF) by adding a 12', 2" X 4' (~50 sq. ft.) concrete pad to support a natural gas generator for emergency purposes.

The parcel is owned by the Town of East Hampton and contains the main Town Hall complex. It is situated on Pantigo Road in East Hampton and is zoned CI: Commercial Industrial. The parcel is 100% cleared.

Pursuant to SEQRA and Chapter 128 of the Town Code the proposed project is a Type II action.

Issues for Discussion:

Noise

§185-3 of the Town Code requires sound not exceeding 70 dBA between 7 AM and 7 PM and 55 dBA between 7 PM and 7 AM at the property line. The applicants have submitted a sound data sheet for the proposed generator which indicates a noise output ranging from 63.8 dBA to 59.9 dBA, based upon positioning. However, these measurements were taken at a distance of 23' whereas the nearest property line is roughly 5' away as per the submitted plans (Sheet SP01 Enlarged Site Plan prepared by Tectonic

dated September 3, 2020). Therefore, the information provided does not demonstrate compliance with the noise restrictions of the Town Code.

Although there is already a generator situated next to the proposed location of the new generator, the Board is reminded that neither the Planning Board nor the Zoning Board of Appeals can exempt or grant variances from Chapter 185 of the Town Code. It has been past practice of the Board to ensure that generators at PWSFs meet the noise standards of the Town Code. The Board should discuss alternative locations or sound attenuation options with the applicants at this time.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the noise issue remains an outstanding issue that should be resolved at this time.

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Planning Board Consensus

How will compliance with the noise standards of Chapter 185 be achieved??

Additional comments: _____

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