



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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August 16, 2019

TO: Parties & Intervenors

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 486** - Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing for the above-referenced matter.

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c: Secretary of the State
Council Members
Application Service Recipients
BCT Reporting LLC
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and § 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, September 19, 2019, beginning with an evidentiary session at 3:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m., at the Legislative Council Chambers, Memorial Town Hall, 2372 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Tarpon Towers II, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicant's contentions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the project. The 3:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the applicant, parties and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed project on Thursday, September 19, 2019, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by September 12, 2019. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, 06051, on or before September 12, 2019.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days following the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made and deposited with the Town Clerk's Offices of the Hamden and New Haven Town Halls for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by September 12, 2019.

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

Its Representative

Tarpon Towers II, LLC

Vincent M. Marino, Esq.
Cohen & Wolf, P.C.
657 Orange Center Road
Orange, CT 06477

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935 or on the Council website at <http://www.ct.gov/csc> under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 486.

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TO: Christopher B. Fisher, Esq., Cuddy & Feder LLP
Jessica Rincon, AT&T Mobility
Sara Brady, AT&T Mobility
Thomas Regan, Esq., Brown Rudnick LLP
Sam Simons, T-Mobile
Michele Thomas, T-Mobile
Jessica Herman, Esq., T-Mobile

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In furtherance of the state tower sharing policy pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50aa, we ask that each telecommunications carrier affirmatively state whether that carrier would likely seek to be located on this proposed facility at any time within the foreseeable future. If any carrier would like to participate in this proceeding, a response on or before September 12, 2019 would be appreciated.

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TO: Commissioner Katie Dykes
Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection

Commissioner Renée D. Coleman-Mitchell
Department of Public Health

Chairman Marissa Paslick Gillett
Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

Commissioner David Lehman
Department of Economic and
Community Development

Robert Bruno, Director of Planning,
Engineering & Environmental
Connecticut Airport Authority

Todd Levine
Historian/Environmental Reviewer
State Historic Preservation Office

Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt
Department of Agriculture


Peter Hearn, Executive Director
Council on Environmental Quality

Melissa McCaw, Secretary
Office of Policy and Management

Mark D. Rolfe, P.E., Bureau Chief
Bureau of Engineering and Construction
Department of Transportation

Kevin Dillon, Executive Director
Connecticut Airport Authority

Commissioner James C. Rovella
Department of Emergency Services
and Public Protection

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director 

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Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50j(g), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments on the above-referenced application. Your response on or before September 12, 2019 would be appreciated. Additional written comments may be submitted at any time while the application is pending until the evidentiary record closes.

You may access the application and other documents for this proceeding, including the application schedule, on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters."

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TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor
486190816
The New Haven Register
100 Gando Drive
New Haven, CT 06513
legals@nhregister.com

FROM: Lisa A. Mathews, Office Assistant *LAM*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 486** - Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than **TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE**. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council
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New Britain, CT 06051

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August 16, 2019

Kimberly Renta
Legislative Council Administrator
Memorial Town Hall
2372 Whitney Avenue
Hamden, CT 06518
krenta@hamden.com

RE: **DOCKET NO. 486** - Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Renta:

Confirming our telephone conversation of July 16, 2019, I appreciate the reservation of the Legislative Council Chambers at the Hamden Memorial Town Hall for a public hearing on September 19, 2019 from noon. to 10:00 p.m.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements. Please contact me if the town cannot accommodate the attached meeting layout.

If any other information is needed, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Mathews
Office Assistant

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Seating Arrangements:

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Council Table
(seating for twelve)
(x = chairs)

X
Table
for
Court
Reporter
& Audio
Tech
(x =
chairs)
X

Party Table
(seating for
four)
(x = chairs)
X
X
X
X

Applicant Table
(x = chairs)
X X X X X

Podium for
public

SEATING FOR PUBLIC
(chairs facing Council table)



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The Honorable Curt B. Leng
Mayor
Town of Hamden
Town Hall
2372 Whitney Avenue
Hamden, CT 06518

RE: **DOCKET NO. 486** - Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Dear Mayor Leng:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled a public hearing in the Town of Hamden in connection with the above-referenced application. Pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50m, at least one hearing session shall be held at a location selected by the Council in the county in which the facility or any part thereof is to be located after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. I am writing to invite you to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled on September 19, 2019.

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Our staff is available to assist you in understanding our process and your options. In the event that you have legal questions, please contact me at (860) 827-2951.

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Executive Director

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The Honorable Toni N. Harp
Mayor
City of New Haven
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

RE: Hearing Date – September 19, 2019 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 486** - Tarpon Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Dear Mayor Harp:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has received an application for the above referenced matter that proposes the construction of a 124-foot telecommunications tower in the Town of Hamden. The City of New Haven is within 2,500 feet of the proposed facility. Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50(b) requires applicants to provide notice and serve a copy of the application on municipalities within 2,500 feet of a proposed facility. I am writing to invite you to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled in the Town of Hamden on Thursday, September 19, 2019.

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