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E-MAILED MEMORANDUM (Sent Only Via E-Mail)

TO: Kim Reed

RE: Status of Verizon Tower Project

DATE: August 5, 2020

Dear Kim:

This summarizes the zoom conference we had today with Attorney Weaver, who represents Verizon, and Verizon's Chip Fredette. It is intended to respond to questions posed by members of the board of selectmen and others.

1. One of the conditions of planning board approval is that Verizon obtain its NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act). Part of the NEPA approval process is to get clearance from the NH Division of Historic Resources (DHR).

2. Verizon uses a consultant, CBRE Telcom Advisory Services, to assemble the information needed for Verizon to submit its NEPA application. Part of the NEPA application must be DCR Section 106 clearance.

3. Apparently CBRE sent a communication to the Rye Heritage Commission in March after the planning board approval was received inquiring about the impact on historic resources. A neighbor got involved and there was an initial communication back indicating some concern about camouflaging the tower. Otherwise the request stayed with the Heritage Commission until June when it was briefly discussed again.

4. According to Attorney Weaver, on July 7, 2020 the Heritage Commission sent a communication indicating it had no further concerns. On July 13, 2020 the FCC notified Verizon that the DHR had concurred with Verizon's consultant's recommended finding that there were no historic properties affected.

According to Attorney Weaver and Mr. Fredette, the process of getting the NEPA approval is now moving forward and should take about three weeks, after which they will begin their geotechnical work. They expect to be in a position of applying for a building permit towards the end of the year, with construction in the spring of 2021.

In keeping with our informal agreement, they will not withdraw the Brackett Road application until a building permit is issued.

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Hope this summary suffices. It is not a confidential communication, so you may provide it to persons who have inquired.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MLD', with a small dash to the right.

Michael L. Donovan

Cc Board of Selectmen