



October 5, 2022

Mr. Will Lindsey
Associate City Planner
Planning, Development, Transportation
City of Fort Collins
281 N College Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80524

RE: T-Mobile Temporary Cell on Wheels Extension Request
1800 E Harmony Rd, Fort Collins, CO 80528

Dear Mr. Lindsey:

I write on behalf of T-Mobile to request an additional extension of Ordinance No 167, 2021, initially approved on second reading on December 21, 2021, for T-Mobile to maintain and operate a temporary cell on wheels (COW) at 1800 E Harmony Rd, Fort Collins, CO 80528. Pursuant to Section 4 of the ordinance, revised at the end of May 2021, the permit renewal options sunset in December 2022. As discussed in our conversation on September 12, 2022, despite working diligently on our new facility at 4518 Innovation Drive (“Permanent Facility”), the new site will not be operational by the end of the year.

T-Mobile has reached an agreement with the landlord at 1800 E Harmony Rd, to allow our temporary facility remain on a month to month basis until our permanent site is on-air. While this location remedies a gap in service to the area, the new tower will enhance service significantly, and as such we intend to continue working swiftly towards final resolution.

Updates since our prior extension demonstrating the continued attentiveness on this project are below.

Development to Date at Permanent Facility

We were hopeful that our review for the permanent site would only take two rounds of comments, however we are now entering the fourth set. This is the result of positive dialogue ensuring this proposed site meets the needs of the City.

The updates below are what have occurred since our prior extension request:

- Last prior update: April 1 – T-Mobile submits plans for FDP review
- April 1 – Our application was determined to be complete and accepted for formal review.
- April 27 – First staff review meeting
- April 29 – T-Mobile receives comment letter from the City
- May 31 – T-Mobile resubmits for second review
- June 29 – Second staff FDP meeting
- July 1 – Second comment letter and next steps received from City
- August 1 – T-Mobile received additional comments from the planner



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- Main POC for project Tenae Beane leaves for maternity leave and is replaced by Todd Sullivan
- August 3 – T-Mobile resubmits plans to City
- August 23 – T-Mobile received comment letter from City
- September 28 – T-Mobile submits final revisions

Next Steps at Permanent Facility

Pending no weather or unforeseen delays, T-Mobile remains committed to finalizing construction within 6 months of all City permits.

T-Mobile intends to submit for a building permit by the end of this week and expect that review to take two to four weeks, minimum. We anticipate the timeline below for the construction of the tower, addition of T-Mobile equipment, and integration with the network. All dates below are estimates.

- **12/1/22:** T-Mobile receives all necessary permits and is cleared for construction
- **12/31/22:** Estimated date for tower construction nearing completion. Due to the nature of this stealth design and its narrow location on the property, this will be a very technical build.
- **1/1/23:** T-Mobile begins installing T-Mobile equipment to the tower.
- **3/30/23:** Estimated date for T-Mobile construction being completed.
- **4/15/23:** Site is integrated and live on the T-Mobile network and temporary COW is no longer needed.
 - **Note:** A significant portion of the timeline depends on the delivery of power and fiber, both of which are contracted with outside parties. While we make every effort, we are not always able to expedite this part of the process. In order to bring the site on air as soon as possible, we will be exploring the use of microwave backhaul.

As demonstrated by the information above and the communication with the city, T-Mobile has worked diligently towards construction of the new wireless telecommunication facility at 4518 Innovation Drive. T-Mobile respectfully requests an extension of Ordinance No 167 for the temporary COW on Harmony Road until our permanent site is operational. We remain committed to bringing this new site on-air as soon as possible to enhance the wireless service to the residents of Fort Collins. Please contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely,

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