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**PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL**  
**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Grosse Pointe Woods City Council

**FROM:** Joellen Shortley, Assistant City Attorney

**DATE:** December 30, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Seventh Amendment to License Agreement for  
Use of City Hall Cell Tower

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The City entered into a license agreement on June 17, 1996 which called for AT&T Wireless (AT&T) to build the cellular tower located behind City Hall and permitted AT&T to install and operate wireless communications equipment on the tower. Addendum No. 1 to the license agreement called for AT&T to transfer ownership of the tower to the City. In October 2021, the City's license agreement with AT&T expired. On December 6, 2021, City Council approved a Fifth Amendment to the license agreement to allow New Cingular Wireless PCS, successor-in-interest to AT&T, to extend the term and permit a modification to the tower equipment. The Fifth Amendment to the License Agreement added six renewal terms of five years each for an additional thirty years, increased the rent payment to the City and allowed the City to license space on the tower to other users. A Sixth amendment to the license agreement was executed on May 30, 2023. This amendment increased the size of the premises licensed to New Cingular to allow the installation of a generator.

New Cingular has requested to change, modify and add equipment to the tower. The proposed Seventh Amendment to the License agreement contains construction drawings describing the equipment to be removed, new equipment to be installed and existing equipment to be relocated. All other terms and conditions of the License agreement remain unchanged.

A copy of the proposed Seventh Amendment to the License Agreement is attached for Council's consideration.

cc: Frank Schulte, City Administrator