



# IN CITY COUNCIL

Marlborough, Mass., NOVEMBER 21, 2022

## ORDERED:

That the PUBLIC HEARING on the Application for Modification of Special Permit from Brian Martinelli on behalf of Dish Wireless, to install three (3) new antennas on the existing cell tower along with a 5x7 platform, at 860 Boston Post Road East, Order No. 22-1008710, all were heard who wish to be heard, hearing closed at 8:13 PM.

**Councilors Present: Wagner, Doucette, Dumais, Brown, Irish, Navin, Landers, Oram, Ossing, Perlman & Robey.**

## PUBLIC SPEAKING IN FAVOR

Speaking in favor, Yacine Nouri, 52 Ashley Street, Boston, MA 02128, appeared on behalf of Dish Wireless for an application for a wireless special permit. Dish Wireless intends to co-locate on an existing freestanding structure at 860 Boston Post Road East. The overall height of the existing structure is about 144 feet with Dish looking to co-locate somewhere in the middle at 96 feet. Dish will also require a 5-foot by 7-foot platform that they are building at the ground level that is about one-foot high. On the structure itself, Dish is looking to add three new panel antennas and six radios at that 96-foot rad and then down at the bottom their radio equipment or baseband unit equipment to be housed on top of their steel platform. The structure will remain unmanned so it will remain the same as it is standing currently but just co-locating Dish's equipment.

## QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Steve Peck, 64 Victoria Lane, Marlborough asked for an explanation of the purpose of these antennas. Mr. Nouri explained Dish Wireless is a new national carrier, when Sprint was sold to T-Mobile, they went down to three carriers and Dish is acting as another competitive entity in that place. Mr. Peck confirmed with Mr. Nouri that these antennas are for mobile phones.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING IN OPPOSITION

No one spoke in opposition.

## QUESTIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilor Doucette's question concerned the antennas and he confirmed with Mr. Nouri there would be three antennas. Councilor Doucette asked if the intent was to create an omnidirectional perspective so they would all be going 120 degrees apart. Mr. Nouri confirmed Councilor Doucette's supposition that they would be placed in one azimuth, 0, 120, 360, although not specifically those values but somewhere in that area. Councilor Doucette asked what technology would be broadcast, 5G or 4G? Mr. Nouri replied to Councilor Doucette it would be a combination of LTE and 5G.

That ends the entire Public Hearing. This is currently in the Public Services Committee.

## ADOPTED

ORDER NO. 22-1008710A