

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 7, 2021
TO: Committee of the Whole
FROM: Tyler Duval, Planning Consultant
SUBJECT: **Request for Concurrence Telecommunications Tower
C8723 - Telecommunications Review Protocol
1111 Bellamy Road**
OWNER/APPLICANT: Rogers Communication Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, the Committee of the Whole accept this report as information.

BACKGROUND:

Rogers Communication Inc. ("Rogers") has publicly circulated an application via Innovation, Science and Economic Development ("ISED") (formerly Industry Canada) for the installation of a 91.5 m guyed communication tower with ancillary equipment.

In order to finalize the application for permitting approval with ISED, Rogers requires a *Letter of Concurrence* from the local municipality. If Rogers does not receive a letter of concurrence, ISED has indicated that it will intervene to mediate an appropriate location or siting designs for a tower in the community.

On November 16th 2021, a Staff Report to Council regarding a proposed Rogers Communication Tower was referred back to staff due to improper circulation of the notice (through the Innovation, Science and Economic Development ("ISED") process). The ISED Notice was circulated incorrectly in a different newspaper than what is required.

UPDATE:

Shortly after the November 16th meeting, staff informed the applicant of the error and the requirement to recirculate the required notice as per the ISED and Mississippi Mills protocols. The applicant was also requested to specify to review the Municipality's Outdoor Illumination and Light Pollution Control By-law (03-62) and provide more information as to how the proposed tower would to comply to the provisions of the by-law.

CONSULTATION AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Should the Applicant re-activate this project, they will be required to adhere to the ISED consultation guidelines protocols.

CONCLUSION

For the time being, no action is required by staff or Council. The proposed communication tower at 1111 Blakeney Road is postponed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tyler Duval
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Approved by,

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Melanie Knight,
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