

PHED Committee #3  
January 31, 2022

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TO: Planning, Housing, and Economic Development (PHED) Committee  
FROM: Livhu Ndou, Legislative Attorney  
SUBJECT: Update on Master Licensing Agreement for 5G deployment

The County Executive's office will be providing an update on the master licensing agreements. Attached is the letter sent to the County Executive requesting certain questions be answered.

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Councilmember Riemer Memo

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January 25, 2022

**TO:** Marc Elrich, County Executive

**FROM:** PHED Committee

**SUBJECT:** Update on Master Licensing Agreement for 5G Deployment

On January 31, 2022, the Planning, Housing, and Economic Development (PHED) Committee will have a briefing on the status of the master licensing agreements for 5G deployment. To facilitate that discussion, please answer the following questions:

- When does the County Executive expect to be done with its review of the master licensing agreement, including review by outside Counsel?
- When will the master licensing agreement be available for the industry's review and comments?
- Will the master licensing agreement be sent to Council for review and approval, similar to franchise agreements?

The master licensing agreements provide a process and fee structure for carriers to attach 5G wireless equipment to County-owned infrastructure. As you know, the Council approved zoning reforms to allow the deployment of 5G infrastructure in commercial areas in 2018 (ZTA 18-02) and in residential areas in July 2021 (ZTA 19-07). We, therefore, would appreciate your swift resolution of this matter.

Please submit your response to Livhu Ndou, Legislative Attorney, at [Livhu.Ndou@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Livhu.Ndou@montgomerycountymd.gov), by close of business on January 26, 2022.

Thank you,



Councilmember Hans Riemer, Chair

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