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WRNR Radio Tower Lease With the City – For the purpose of entering a ground lease of the City-owned radio tower located at 25 Silopanna Road with Cortona Media LLC dba WRNR Radio, a Maryland limited liability company; and all matters relating to said lease.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE City of Annapolis

Ordinance 2-25

Introduced by: Mayor Buckley

Referred to:

Finance Committee

AN ORDINANCE concerning

WRNR Radio Tower Lease With the City

- **For** the purpose of entering a ground lease of the City-owned radio tower located at 25 Silopanna Road with Cortona Media LLC dba WRNR Radio, a Maryland limited liability company; and all matters relating to said lease.
- WHEREAS, The City is the fee simple owner of real property located at 25 Silopanna Road, Annapolis, Maryland, as described in a deed dated April 25, 1989, recorded among the land records of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, in Liber 4881, Page 76 (the "Property"); and
- **WHEREAS,** The Property is improved with a self-supporting radio transmitting tower, which is owned by the City, regulated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and identified by FCC registration # ASR1037031; and
- WHEREAS, Cortona Media desires to lease a small portion of the Building on the property and the entire Tower, as detailed in the attached lease agreement; and
- WHEREAS, Article III, Section 8, of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to lease land upon determining that the land to be leased is not needed for

public use or that leasing the land will better serve the public need for which it was acquired or another public need; and

- WHEREAS, Article III, Section 8, of the City Charter also mandates that such leases be approved by ordinance of the City Council; and
- WHEREAS, Leasing this property will fulfill the public need for which it was acquired, and the property is not currently needed for public use.

SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS **CITY COUNCIL** that the lease agreement with Cortona Media LLC and the City is hereby approved and authorized.

SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE **ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

ADOPTED this 24th day of February 2025.

Ave: 8 Mayor Buckley, Alderman Huntley, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

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3/21/25 THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL Date: Gavin Buckley, Mayor

ATTEST

Date:

Regina Watkins-Eldridge MMC, City Clerk

Explanation:

Strikethrough indicates matter stricken from existing law. Underlining indicates a change to the City Code. Underlining & black - copyediting or reformatting of existing Code section Underlining & red - new matter added to the code.