

The County of San Diego

Planning Commission Hearing Report

Date:

December 13, 2019

Case/File

Las Palmas Wireless

No.:

Telecommunication Facility Major Use

Permit Modification; PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3, PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C

Place:

County Conference Center

5520 Overland Avenue San Diego, CA 92123 Project:

Wireless Telecommunication Facility

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Location:

2563 Grove Street, National City

Agenda Item:

#2

General

Village Residential (VR-4.3)

Plan:

Appeal Status:

Appealable to the Board of

Supervisors

Zoning:

Urban Residential (RU)

Applicant/Owner:

SAC Wireless on behalf of

Crown Castle

Community:

County Islands (Lincoln Acres)

Environmental:

CEQA § 15164 Addendum

APN:

563-063-30 & 31

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Requested Actions

This is a request for the Planning Commission to evaluate the proposed Major Use Permit (MUP) Modification for a wireless telecommunication facility, determine if the required findings can be made and, if so, take the following actions:

- a. Find the MUP Modification in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and adopt the Environmental Findings included in Attachment D, which includes a finding that the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) is adequate with an Addendum.
- b. Grant MUP Modification PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3, make the findings, and impose the requirements and conditions as set forth in the Form of Decision (Attachment B).

2. Key Requirements for Requested Actions

- a. Is the proposed project consistent with the vision, goals, and policies of the General Plan?
- b. Is the proposed project consistent with the County's Zoning Ordinance?
- c. Is the project consistent with the County's Wireless Ordinance?

d. Does the project comply with CEQA?

B. BACKGROUND

On March 26, 1992, the County of San Diego Planning and Environmental Review Board (PERB) approved a MUP (Record ID: 3300-91-026) for a wireless telecommunication facility that included an approximately 22-foot tall monopole and a 726 square foot equipment building designed as a faux residence with an attached Concrete Masonry Unit (CMU) wall.

On August 5, 1994, the County of San Diego Planning Commission approved a MUP Modification to authorize an increase in height of the previously approved monopole to a total height of 58 feet. The MUP Modification also authorized the planting of two Canary Island pine trees and three Allepo pine trees east of the monopole for landscape screening purposes.

On December 22, 2000, a second MUP Modification was submitted for the installation of a new 162 square foot equipment enclosure and four new antennas to the wireless telecommunication facility. The second MUP Modification was withdrawn on July 30, 2001. The project site currently contains the previously approved monopole as well as the faux residence equipment building and attached CMU wall.

C. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

1. Project Description

The applicant requests a MUP Modification to remove the existing 58-foot tall monopole, and construct, operate, and maintain a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree wireless telecommunication facility designed to accommodate three wireless carriers on the subject property within the unincorporated community of Lincoln Acres.

The MUP Modification has been submitted in order to bring the existing wireless telecommunication facility into conformance with the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance pursuant to the amortization requirements outlined in Sections 6985 and 6991. All existing antennas and equipment for existing carriers will be relocated from the 58-foot tall monopole to the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree (Figures 1 and 2). Supporting equipment for the site includes a generator, authorized by the originally approved MUP, located in the adjacent equipment shelter which was designed as a faux residence with a tile roof. The new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be located approximately 30-feet east of the existing monopole within a new extension of the CMU wall attached to the faux residence equipment shelter. Two ornamental trees planted as landscaping during the first MUP Modification will be removed in order to accommodate the new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. Access to the wireless telecommunication facility is provided by a driveway which connects to Grove Street, a County-maintained road.



Figure 1: Existing 58-foot tall monopole looking toward project site.



Figure 2: Proposed 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree looking toward project site.

2. Subject Property and Surrounding Land Uses

The project is located on an approximately 0.4 acre site west of Interstate (I-805) on a property within the unincorporated community of the Lincoln Acres County island (Figure 3). The limits of National City are located approximately 200 feet north of the project site and the limits of the City of Chula Vista are located less than a mile south of the project site. The State Route 54 (SR-54) and I-805 interchange is located approximately half a mile south of the project site and the La Vista Cemetery is located over a quarter of a mile east of the project site. Surrounding land uses can primarily be categorized as highway and single-family residential uses (Figure 4).

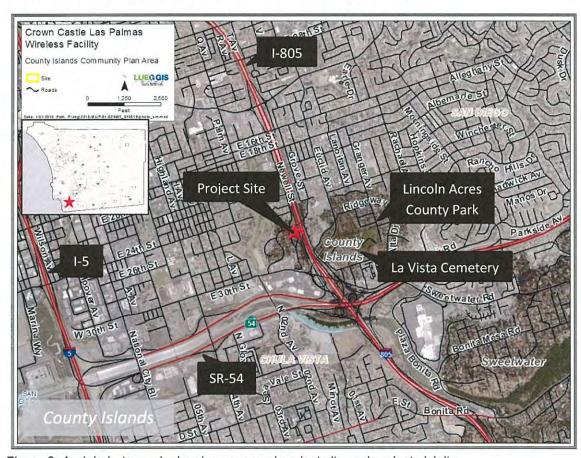


Figure 3: Aerial photograph showing proposed project site and project vicinity



Figure 4: Aerial photograph showing proposed project site and project vicinity (Closer extent)

Table C-1: Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

Location	General Plan	Zoning	Adjacent Streets	Description
North	Public/Semi-Public Facilities (P/SP), Village Residential (VR-4.3)	Urban Residential (RU)	Grove Street	Highway, Residentia
East	Public/Semi-Public Facilities (P/SP)	Transportation/ Utility Corridor (S94)	I-805	Highway
South	Village Residential (VR-4.3)	Urban Residential (RU)	N/A	Residential
West	Village Residential (VR-4.3)	Urban Residential (RU)	Vista Way	Residential

D. ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION

The project has been reviewed to ensure it conforms to all the relevant ordinances and guidelines, including, but not limited to, the San Diego County General Plan, the Zoning Ordinance, and CEQA Guidelines. The following items were reviewed during the project's processing and are detailed below: Amortization, Site Planning Analysis, Community Compatibility/Visual Impacts, and Alternative Site Analysis (ASA).

1. Analysis

The project is located in a non-preferred location within a non-preferred zone. As set forth in Section 6985 of the County Zoning Ordinance, the proposed wireless telecommunication facility requires the approval of a MUP Modification and amortization of the wireless facility for a 15-year period.

Amortization

The existing wireless telecommunication facility is located in a residential zone and is defined as "high visibility" pursuant to Sections 6985 and 6991 of the Zoning Ordinance. MUP findings have been made to support the continued operation of the facility and for the proposed 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The proposed project will bring the wireless telecommunication facility into conformance with the amortization requirements in the Zoning Ordinance through the removal and replacement of a monopole with a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree.

Site Planning Analysis

The proposed wireless telecommunication facility is designed to be compatible with the surrounding land uses, vegetation, and topography. The proposed 58-foot tall, faux mono-eucalyptus tree will appear as a mature tree which matches the existing vegetation within the project vicinity and adjacent to the I-805 freeway. The new faux tree will not be located closer to residences than the existing monopole. The equipment enclosure will continue to be screened from public views by existing vegetation and the hill directly adjacent to I-805. The facility will be of comparable height to existing vertical elements on the subject property and within the project vicinity such as utility poles and mature trees.

Community Compatibility/Visual Impacts

General Plan Policy COS 11.1 requires protection of scenic highways, corridors, regionally significant vistas and natural features. The proposed wireless telecommunication facility is not located near a Scenic Highway as identified by the County of San Diego General Plan. However, the facility is visible from I-805 which is a well-traveled public viewshed. The faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be in harmony with the existing trees and utility poles within the project vicinity. Views of the facility from I-805 and adjacent public viewsheds will partially be screened by existing vegetation and eucalyptus trees located on a knoll directly between I-805 and the project site. The design of the facility as a faux mono-eucalyptus tree will appear as an expected visual feature within the community from views of the project site. The existing equipment shelter has been designed as a faux residence with a tile roof and will continue to be screened from public views by existing vegetation (Figure 2). For these reasons, the wireless telecommunication facility will blend with the visual setting in the vicinity, be compatible with the existing community character, and will not result in impacts to the natural environment.

Alternative Site Analysis (ASA)

The proposed wireless telecommunication facility is designed to provide continued cellular service coverage to motorists traveling along I-805 and to residents in the surrounding area. The site is zoned RU (Urban Residential), which is a non-preferred zone, and therefore requires an ASA. The applicant reviewed other potential sites within the area order to demonstrate that the coverage objective could not be met in a preferred zone.

All preferred locations and preferred zones located within the project vicinity were reviewed during the processing of the MUP Modification application. Additional co-location opportunities onto existing wireless telecommunication facilities were analyzed. However, all other wireless telecommunication facilities are located outside the target coverage area of the facility including the Shelby Drive Wireless Telecommunication Facility which consists of an approximately 75-foot tall monopole. Additionally, this facility is also subject to amortization and is in the process of being brought into conformance with the amortization requirements within the Zoning Ordinance. Due to limited colocation opportunities, coverage objectives, and visual compatibility, all other preferred locations and preferred zones were eliminated from consideration. Further information detailing the ASA analysis can be found in Attachment E.

The Geographic Service Area (GSA) maps illustrate coverage in the area, with and without the wireless telecommunication facility. The GSA maps demonstrate that the proposed location is necessary for the carrier to maintain coverage in the surrounding area and provide adequate service to motorists and residents in the area (Figure 5). The height of the facility is necessary to allow the antennas to provide coverage and adequate co-location opportunities on the faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The GSA maps can also be found in Attachment E.



Figure 5: Coverage without proposed project (left) and coverage with the proposed project (right).

2. General Plan Consistency

The proposed project is consistent with the following relevant General Plan goals, policies, and actions as described in Table D-1.

Table D-1: General Plan Conformance

General Plan Policy

GOAL S-1 – Public Safety. Enhanced public safety and the protection of public and private property.

GOAL S-2 – Emergency Response. Effective emergency response to disasters that minimizes the loss of life and damage to property, while also reducing disruption in the delivery of vital public and private services during and following a disaster.

POLICY COS 11.1 – **Protection of Scenic Resources.** Require the protection of scenic highways, corridors, regionally significant scenic vistas, and natural features, including prominent ridgelines, dominant landforms, reservoirs, and scenic landscapes.

POLICY COS 11.3 – Development Siting and Design. Require development within visually sensitive areas to minimize visual impacts and to preserve unique or special visual features, particularly in rural areas.

POLICY LU 15.1 – Telecommunication Facilities Compatibility with Setting. Require that wireless telecommunication facilities be sited and designed to minimize visual impacts, adverse impacts to the natural environment, and are compatible with existing development and community character.

Explanation of Project Conformance

proposed changes to the wireless telecommunication facility will allow for continued coverage throughout the area, which is essential in the event of an emergency. The wireless telecommunication facility will minimize telecommunication interruptions by continuing coverage in the area that will allow the facility to provide service to the surrounding area. The existing project site contains an existing generator and standby batteries that will allow the proposed wireless telecommunication facility to operate in the event of a power outage or other emergency situation.

The wireless telecommunication facility is not visible from a Scenic Highway as identified in the County of San Diego General Plan. However, the facility is visible from I-805 which is a well-traveled public viewshed. The faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be in harmony with the existing trees and utility poles within the project vicinity. Views of the facility from I-805 and adjacent public viewsheds will be partially screened by existing vegetation and eucalyptus trees located on a knoll directly between I-805 and the project site. The design of the facility as a faux mono-eucalyptus tree will appear as an expected visual feature within the community from views of the project site. The existing equipment shelter has been designed as a faux residence with a tile roof and will continue to be screened from public views by existing vegetation. For these reasons, the faux mono-eucalyptus tree with a faux residence equipment shelter will blend with the visual setting in the vicinity, will be sited and designed to be compatible with the existing community character, and will not result in impacts to the natural environment or a scenic resource.

General Plan Policy	Explanation of Project Conformance
POLICY LU 15.2 - Co-Location of	The proposed faux mono-eucalyptus tree will
Telecommunication Facilities. Encourage	continue to provide three co-location opportunities
wireless telecommunication services	for three carriers, thereby satisfying this policy.
providers to co-locate their facilities	
whenever appropriate, consistent with the	
Zoning Ordinance.	

3. Zoning Ordinance Consistency

a. Development Regulations

The proposed project complies with all applicable zoning requirements of the Urban Residential (RU) zone with the incorporation of conditions of approval (See Table D-2).

Table D-2: Zoning Ordinance Development Regulations

CURRENT ZON REGULATIO	CANADA CALL DE LA CALLESTINA DE LA CALLE	CONSISTENT?
Use Regulation:	RU	Yes, upon approval of a MUP Modification.
Animal Regulation:	W	N/A
Density:	-	N/A
Lot Size:	10000	N/A
Building Type:	N	N/A
Height:	G	Yes, upon approval of a MUP Modification.
Lot Coverage:	-	N/A
Setback:	D	Yes
Open Space:	-	N/A
Special Area Regulations:	-	N/A

Development Standard	Proposed/Provided	Complies?
Section 4600 of the Zoning	The proposal is for a 58-foot tall	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Ordinance sets the maximum	faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The	
height requirements. This parcel	design and height of the project	
has a designated height of "G"	will be in conformance with the	
which requires structures to be	height requirement upon	
no more than 35 feet in height.	approval of the MUP	
	Modification.	
Section 4800 of the Zoning	The proposed faux mono-	Yes ⊠ No □
Ordinance requires that the	eucalyptus tree and existing	
project meet the "D" setback	equipment enclosure will be	
requirements of a 60-foot front	located out of all required	
yard setback, 15-foot interior	setbacks including front, rear,	
side yard setback, 35-foot	and side yard setbacks.	
exterior side yard setback, and a	-	
25-foot rear yard setback.		

b. Wireless Ordinance Consistency

By federal law, the County is prohibited from regulating the placement, construction and modification of personal wireless service facilities on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency (RF) emissions, if the facilities comply with the FCC's regulations concerning RF emissions. Therefore, County decision makers do not consider comments or information concerning potential health effects or other environmental effects when determining whether to approve permits for cellular facilities. Also, staff does not require information from the applicant concerning such effects from RF emissions associated with the project. Information regarding potential health effects is available from the cellular providers upon request as it is also required from the Federal Communication Commission.

The County is preempted by the Federal Telecommunication Act from considering Electric Magnetic Radiation (EMR) when reviewing the proposed location of cellular facilities. Therefore, staff does not require information from the applicant on potential health effects from EMR associated with the project. Generally, this information is available from the cellular providers upon request as it is also required from the Federal Communication Commission.

Table D-3: Wireless Ordinance Consistency

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Development Standard	Proposed/Provided	Complies?
Section 6985.C.2 of the Wireless	The existing equipment shelter has	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Telecommunication Ordinance	been designed as a faux residence	
requires that the equipment	for architectural integration and the	
accessory to a facility not exceed	attached CMU wall is less than 10	
10 feet in height unless a greater	feet in height. The project site and	
height is necessary to maximize	adjacent property contain	
architectural integration and the	vegetation that help screen the	
facility is screened by landscaping.	facility from public views.	
Section 6985.C.4 of the Wireless	The original wireless facility was	Yes ⊠ No □
Telecommunication Ordinance	approved prior to the adoption of	
requires that a minimum 50-foot	the Wireless Ordinance. The	
setback for a telecommunication	current modification has been	
tower when it is placed adjacent to	submitted in accordance with the	
a residential use.	amortization schedule of the Zoning	
	Ordinance and will not result in	
	furthering any setback	
	nonconformity.	
Section 6985.C.5 of the Wireless	The proposed faux mono-	Yes ⊠ No □
Telecommunication Ordinance	eucalyptus tree and existing	
prohibits the placement of a	equipment enclosure will be	
telecommunication tower or	compliant with all required setbacks	
equipment in the front, rear, or	including front, rear, and side yard	
side yard setback.	setbacks.	

Development Standard	Proposed/Provided	Complies?
Section 6985.C.6 of the Wireless Telecommunication Ordinance states that noise from any equipment supporting the facility shall meet the requirements of the County's Noise Ordinance on an average hourly basis.	Proposed/Provided The project site is zoned RU and is subject to the most restrictive one-hour average sound level limit of 45 dBA at the property lines pursuant to Section 36.404 of the County Noise Ordinance. The current project does not propose additional noise generating equipment. Existing noise generating equipment consists of supporting equipment within an existing faux residence equipment structure and will not produce noise levels which would exceed the 45 dBA requirement at the property line. Therefore, the project will comply with the County Noise Ordinance.	Yes No
Section 6985.C.11 of the Wireless Telecommunication Ordinance limits the term of a "high visibility" facility, depending on the valuation of the wireless facility.	The proposed project is considered a "high visibility" facility because the facility is a faux mono-eucalyptus tree within a residential zone. Since the proposed project has a valuation greater than \$500,000, the MUP Modification has been conditioned to have a maximum term of 15 years.	Yes ⊠ No □
Section 6987.D of the Wireless Telecommunication Ordinance states that sites visible from a Scenic Highway, as identified in the General Plan, shall be designed in such a manner as to avoid adverse visual impacts and does not permit the use of monopoles, lattice towers, or guyed towers.	The proposed project consists of the removal of a monopole in order to construct a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus that is designed to avoid adverse visual impacts.	Yes ⊠ No □

4. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Compliance

The project has been reviewed in compliance with the CEQA. An Addendum dated December 13, 2019 to the previously adopted MND (Log No. 91-18-06) dated July 5, 1994 was prepared and is on file with Planning & Development Services. It has been determined that the project, as designed, would not cause any significant impacts on the environment which require mitigation measures that were not previously analyzed in the adopted MND.

E. COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP AND/OR DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

The project site is located within a community that is not represented by a formally recognized Community Planning or Sponsor Group.

F. PUBLIC INPUT

No formal comments were received as a result of the public notices sent at the time of the MUP Modification application submittal or during processing of the permit. At the time of application submittal and pursuant to Board Policy I-49, public notices were sent to property owners within a minimum radius of 300 feet of the project site until at least 20 different property owners were noticed.

G. RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- Find the project in conformance with CEQA and adopt the Environmental Findings included in Attachment D which include a finding that the previously adopted MND is adequate with an Addendum.
- 2. Grant MUP Modification PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3 make the findings, and impose the requirements and conditions as set forth in the Form of Decision in Attachment B.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Planning Documentation

Attachment B – Form of Decision Approving PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

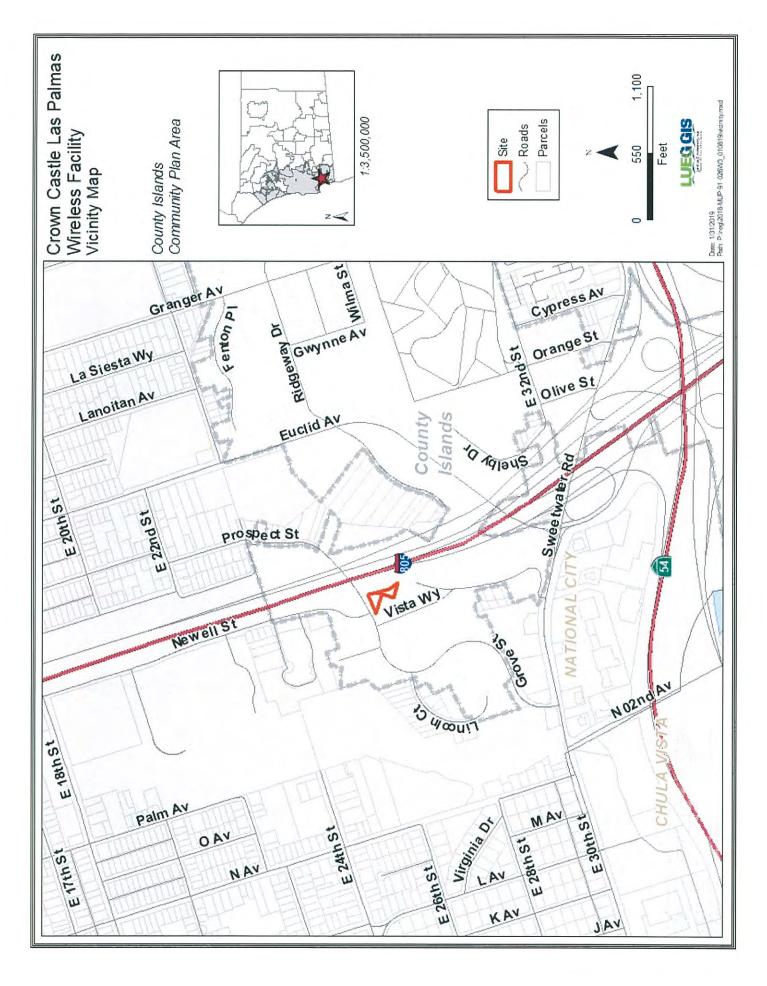
Attachment C – Environmental Documentation

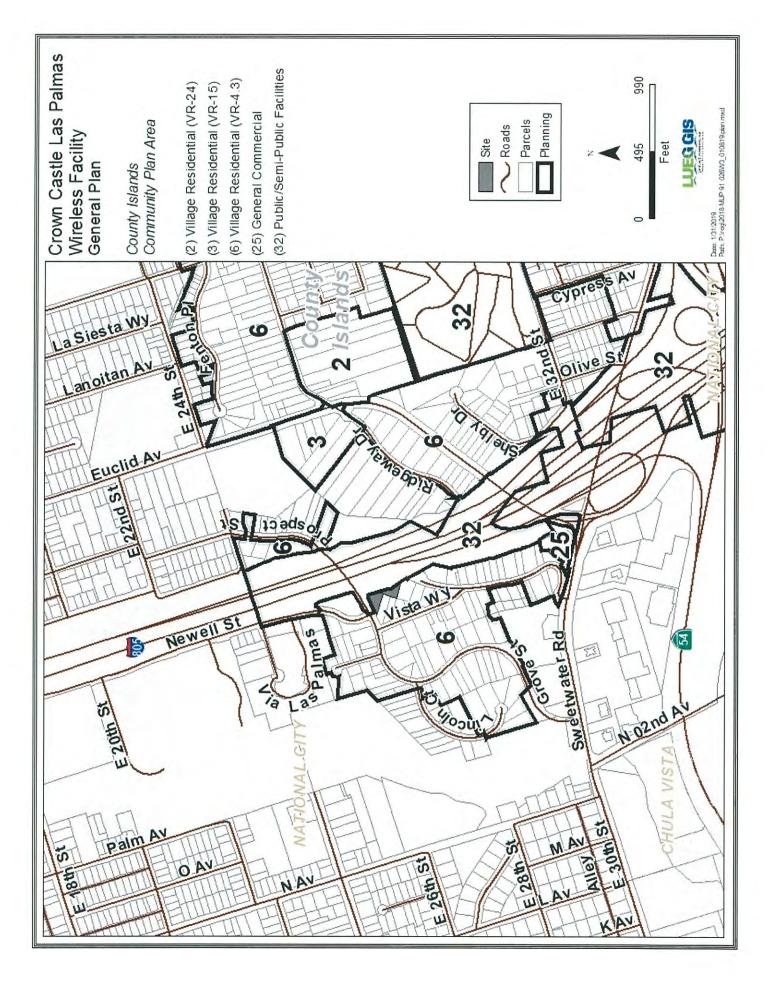
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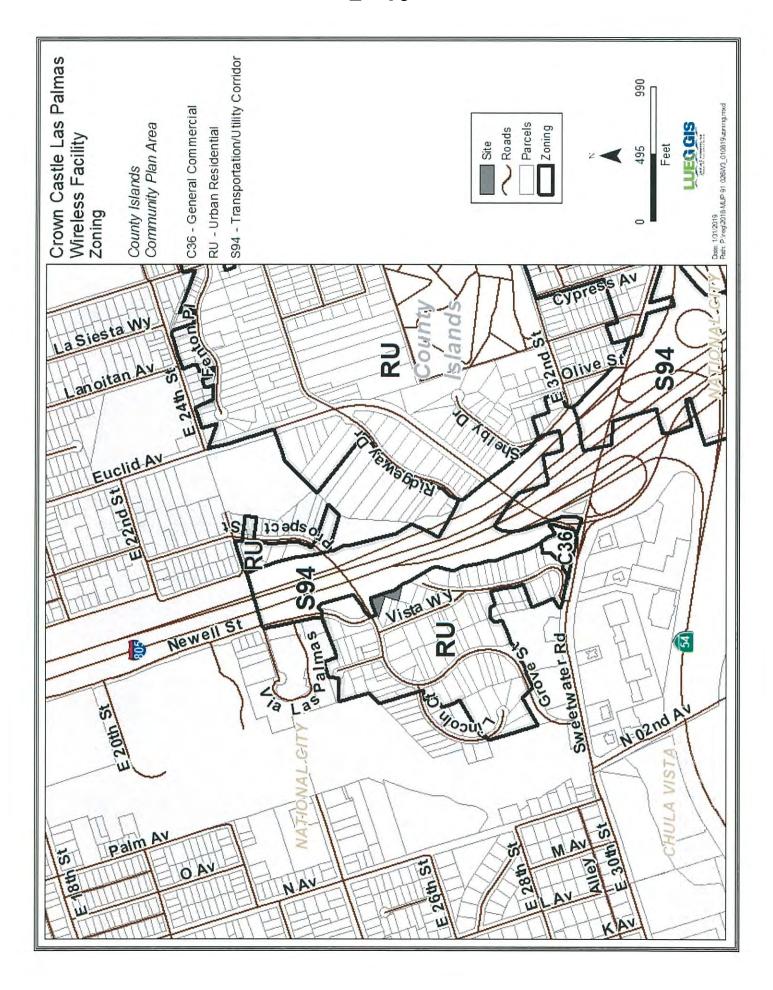
Attachment E - Photo-Simulations, Geographic Service Area Maps, and Alternative Site Analysis

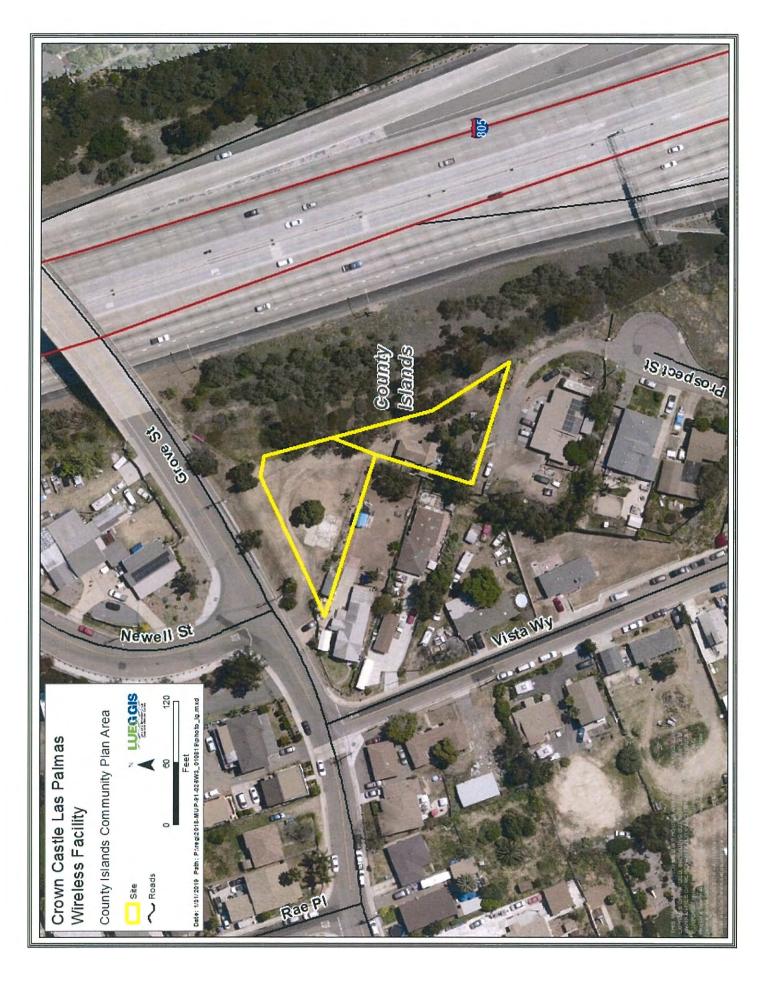
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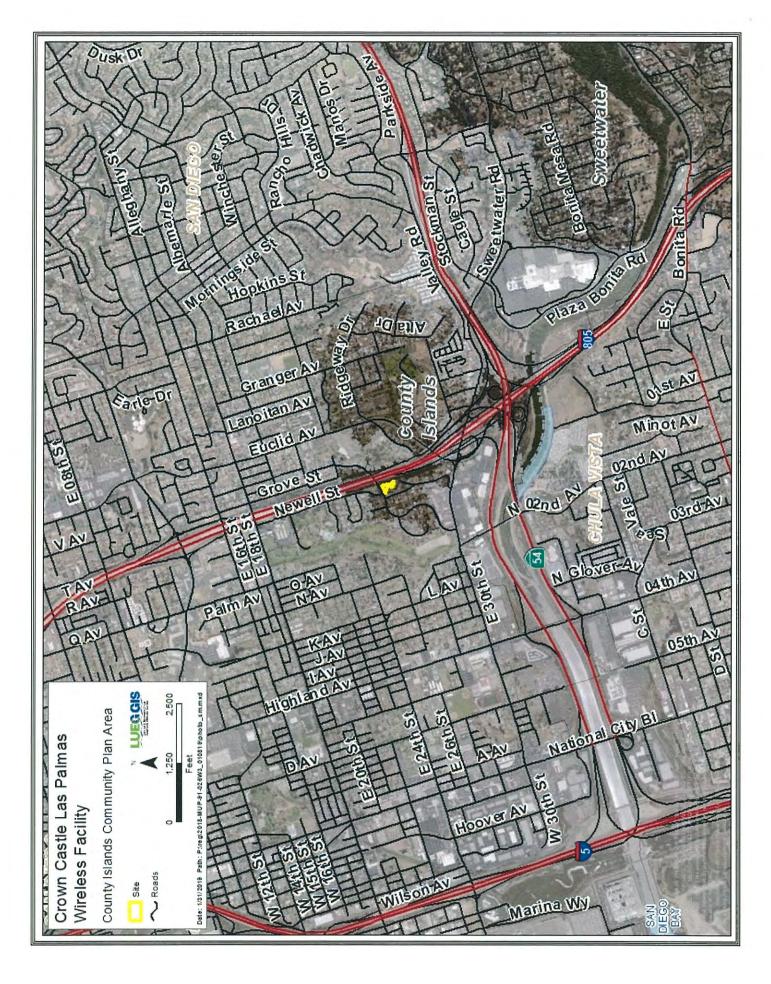


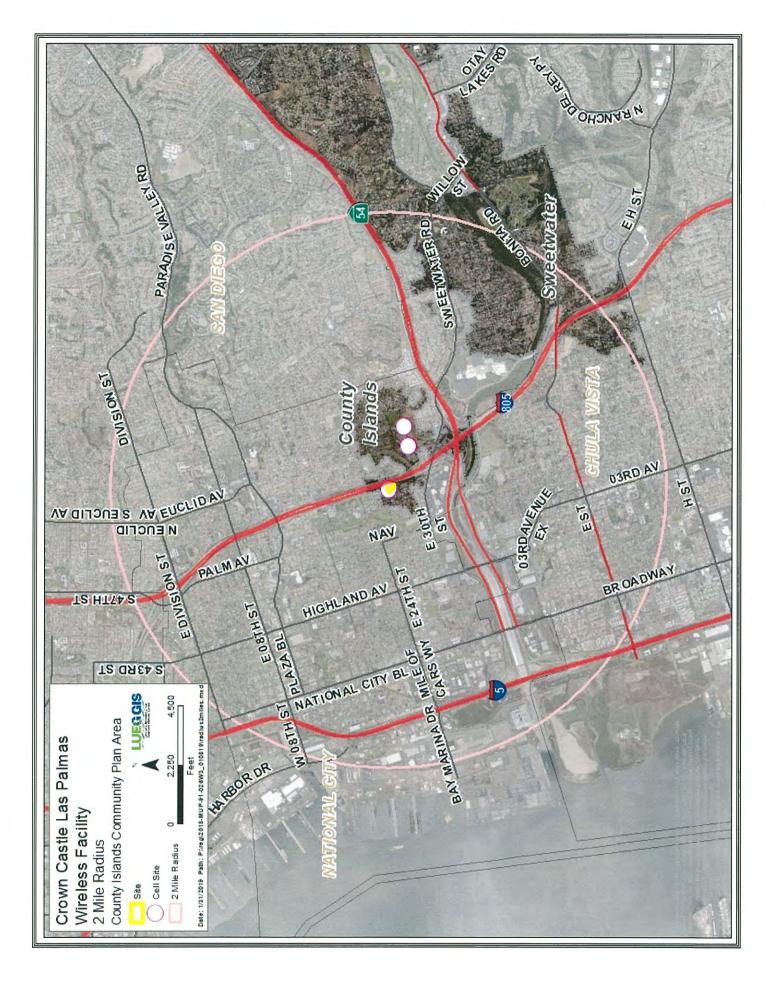














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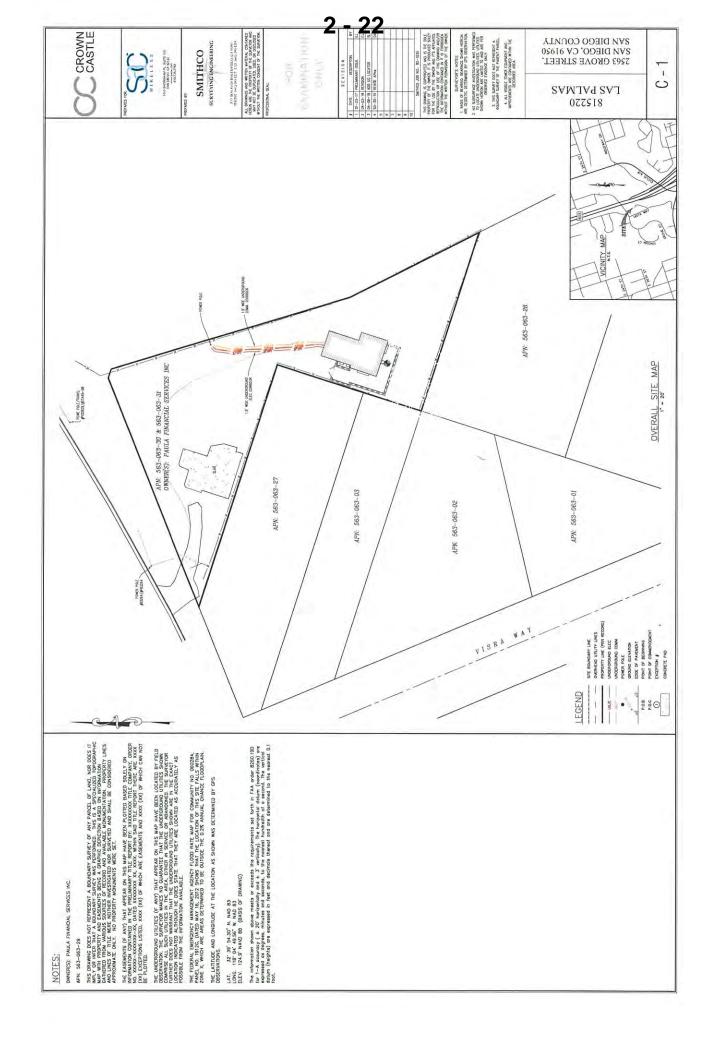
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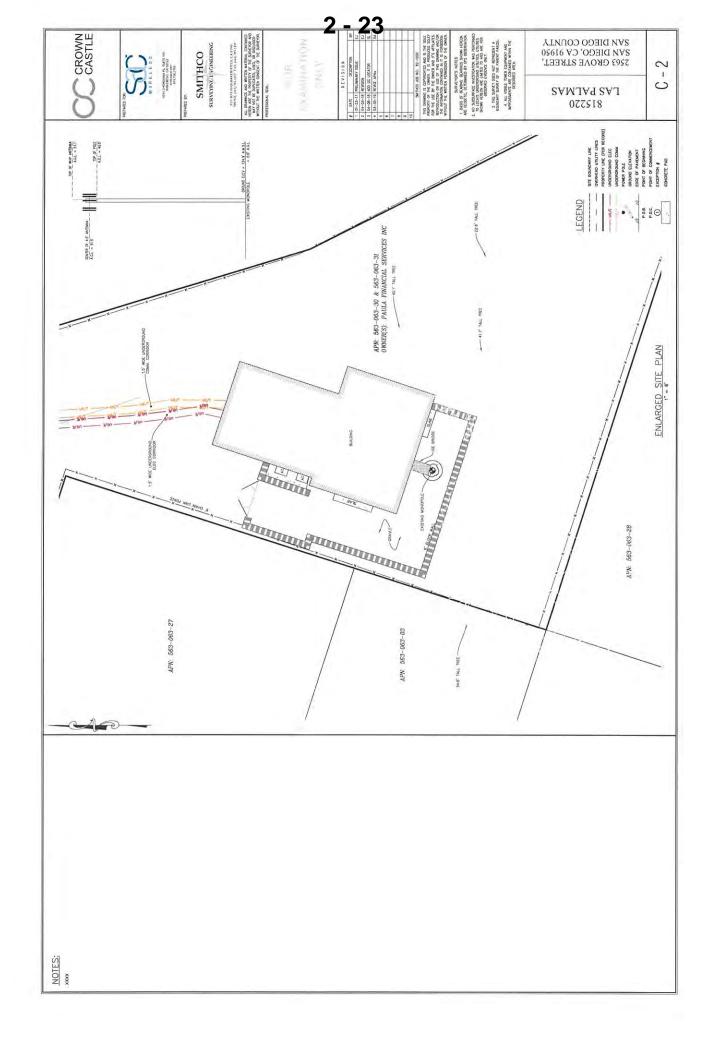
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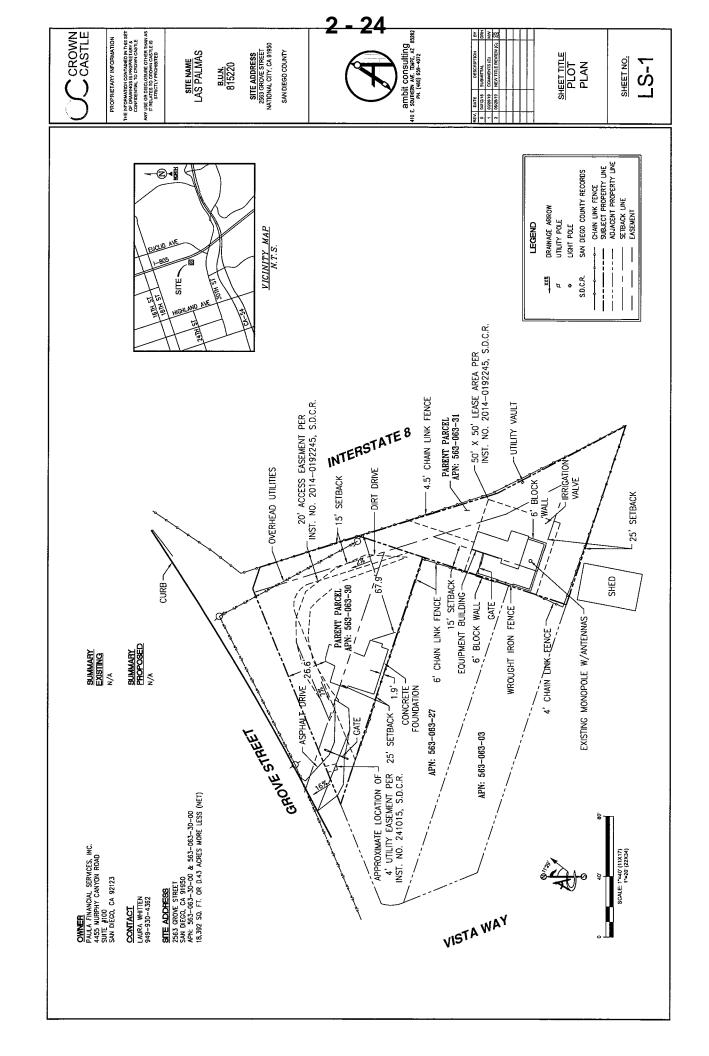
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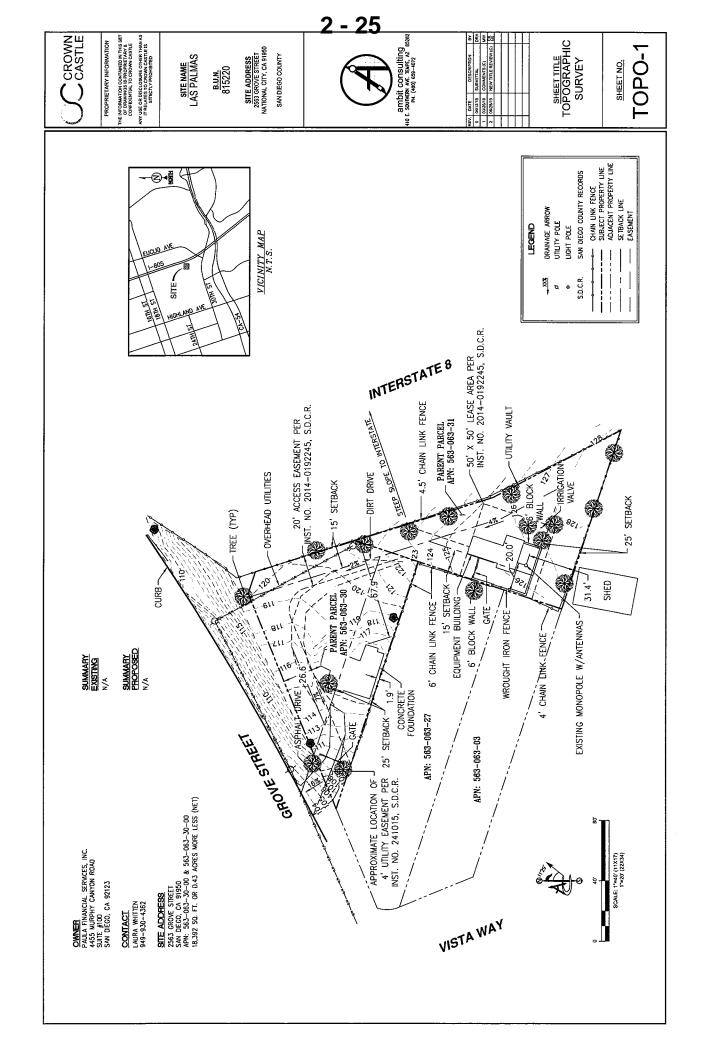
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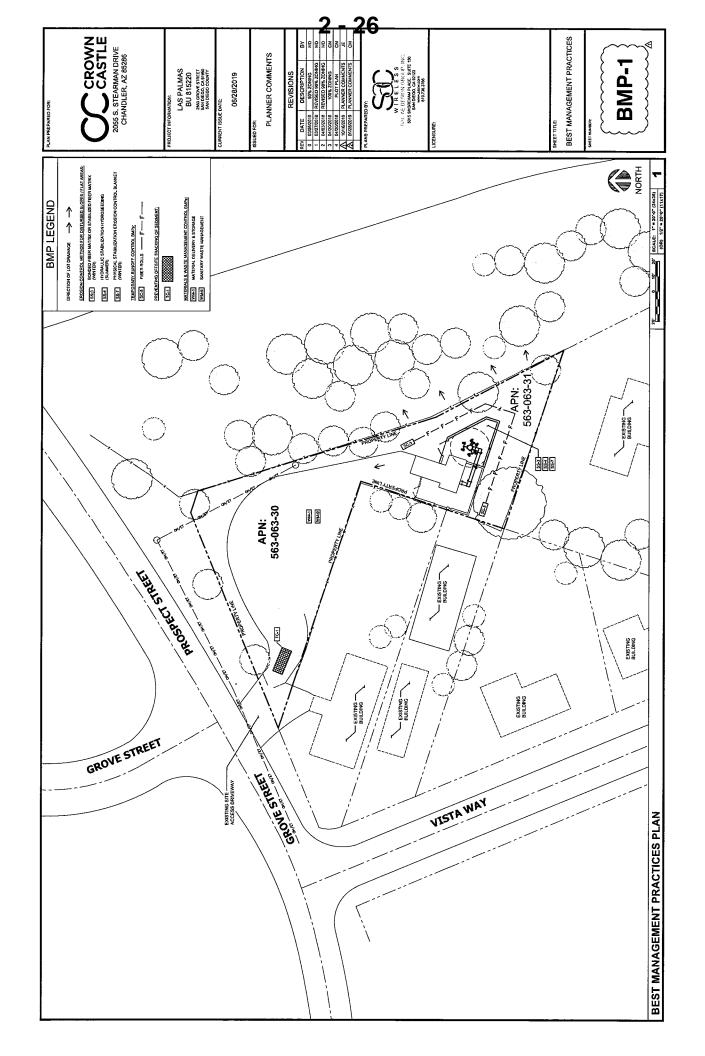
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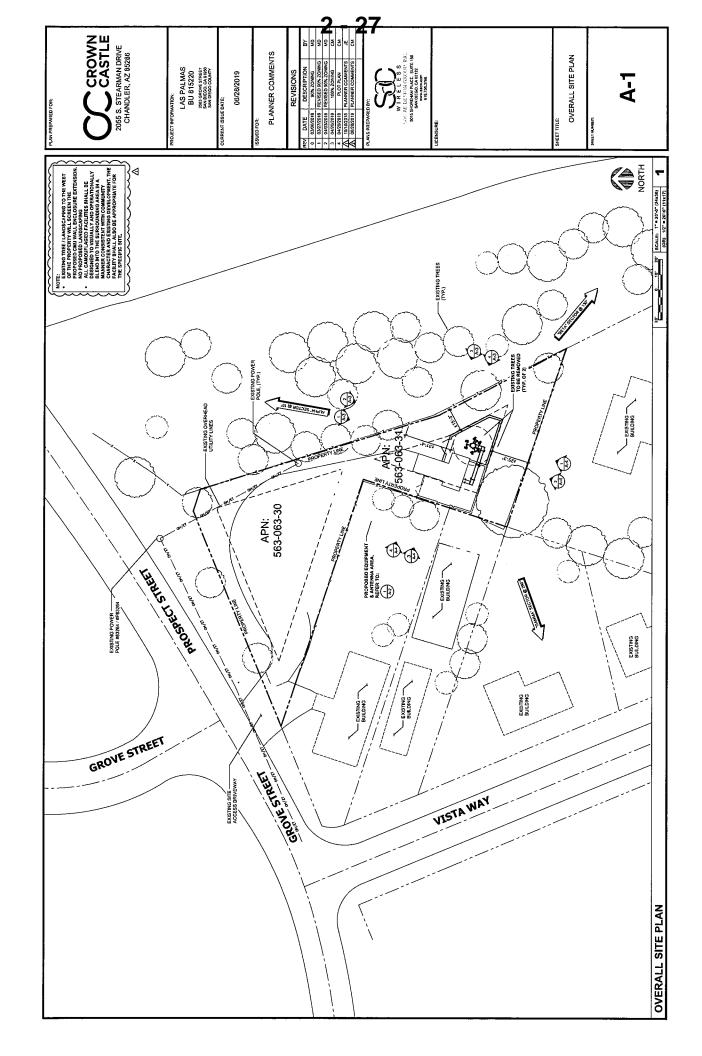


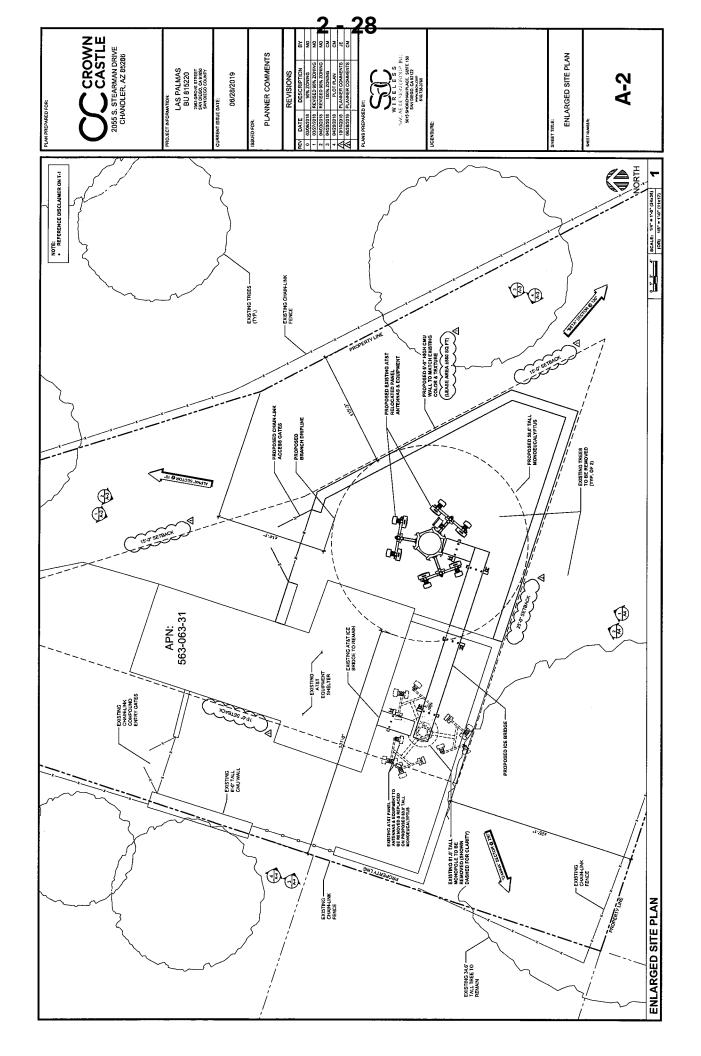


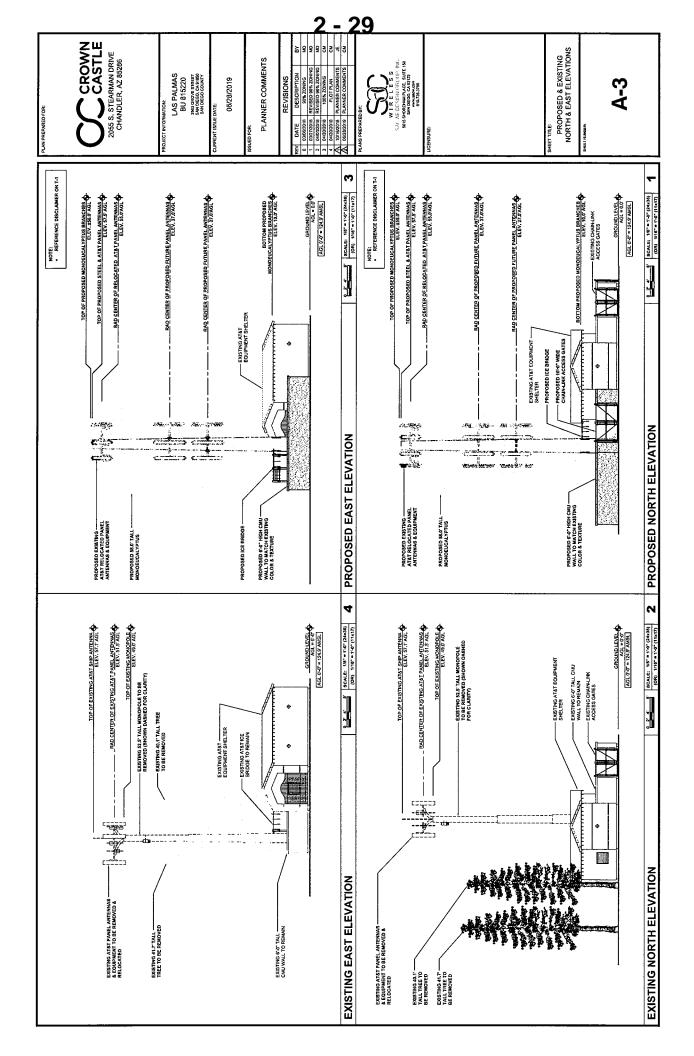


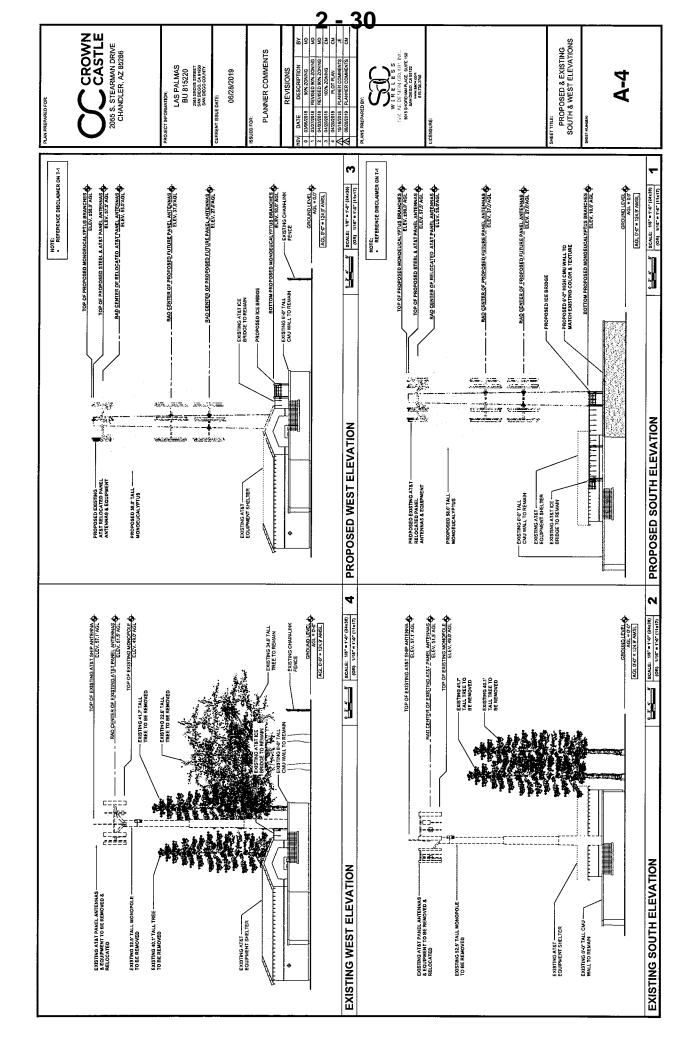


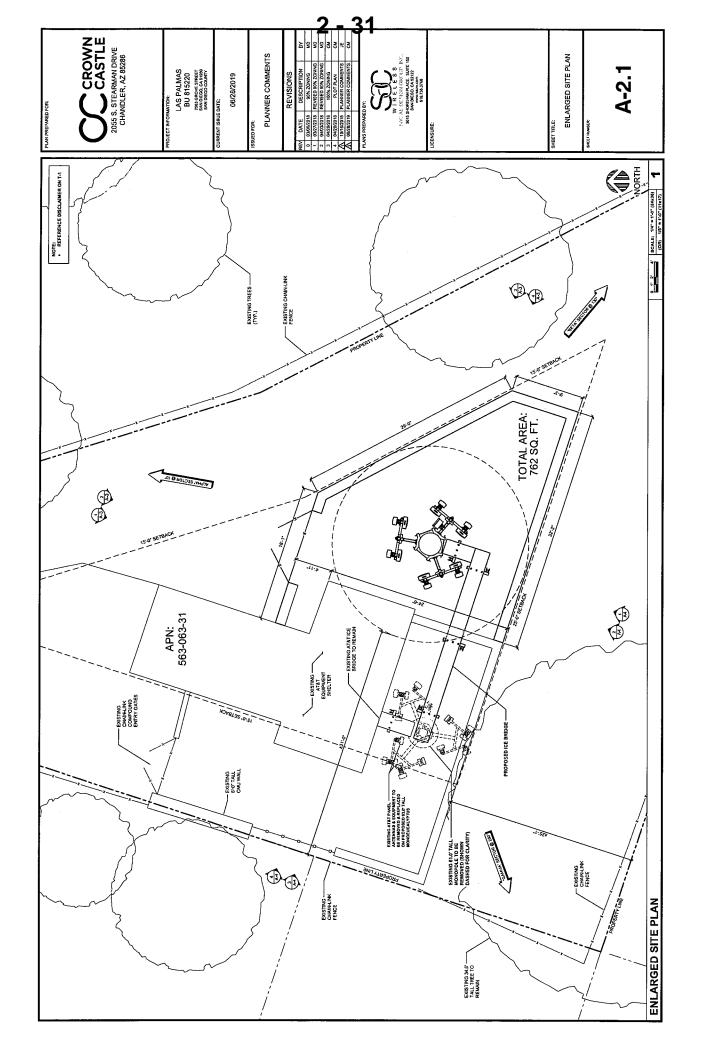












Attachment B – Form of Decision Approving PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3



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PERMITTEE: CROWN CASTLE (ATTN: DAIL RICHARD)

 MAJOR USE PERMIT:
 PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

 E.R. Number:
 PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C

PROPERTY: 2563 GROVE STREET WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF

LINCOLN ACRES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

APNS: 563-063-30-00 & 563-063-31-00

DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

ORIGINAL MAJOR USE PERMIT DECISION (3300-91-026)

GRANT, as per plot plan dated October 3, 1991, consisting of 4 sheets, as amended and approved concurrently herewith, a Major Use Permit, pursuant to Section 2875 of The Zoning Ordinance, for a cellular communications facility with an approximately 22 foot monopole antenna, an approximately 12 foot by 33 foot equipment building and a 6 foot high masonry wall.

MODIFICATION TO MAJOR USE PERMIT DECISION (3301-91-026-01)

FURTHER GRANT, as per plot plan dated April 11, 1993, consisting of 4 pages and approved concurrently herewith, a Major Use Permit Modification, pursuant to Section 2875 of The Zoning Ordinance, an increase in the monopole tower height for a total height of 58 feet to the top of the antennas.

MODIFICATION TO MAJOR USE PERMIT DECISION (MUP-91-026W3)

This Major Use Permit Modification for MUP-91-026W3 consists of 11 sheets including plot plan, equipment layout, and elevations dated June 28, 2019. This permit authorizes the modification of an existing wireless telecommunication facility through the construction and installation of a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree with an associated ice bridge and the removal of the existing 58-foot tall monopole as well as the construction of an extension of an existing CMU enclosure. The 58-foot tall monopole shall be removed upon the completion of the construction of the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree and the relocation of antennas and additional equipment from the 58-foot tall monopole to the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree.

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Wireless telecommunication facilities subject to this Major Use Permit are considered "high visibility" facilities, therefore, pursuant to Section 6985(c)(11) of the Zoning Ordinance, this Major Use Permit shall have a maximum term of 15 years (ending November 22, 2034, at 4:00 p.m.). This may be extended for an additional period of time through modification of this permit if it is found that no smaller or less visible technology is available or feasible to replace the facility at that time. All monopoles and wireless telecommunication facilities subject to this Major Use Permit shall be reviewed for conformance with the amortization requirements outlined in Sections 6985 and 6991 of the Zoning Ordinance through the modification of this permit.

MAJOR USE PERMIT EXPIRATION: This Major Use Permit shall expire on December 13, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. (or such longer period as may be approved pursuant to Section 7376 of The Zoning Ordinance of the County of San Diego prior to said expiration date) unless construction or use in reliance on this Major Use Permit has commenced prior to said expiration date.

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SPECIFIC CONDITIONS: Compliance with the following Specific Conditions (Mitigation Measures when applicable) shall be established before the property can be used in reliance upon this Major Use Permit. Where specifically indicated, actions are required prior to approval of any grading, improvement, building plan and issuance of grading, construction, building, or other permits as specified:

CONDITIONS FOR MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION (3301-91-026-01):

NOTE: The following conditions are in strikeout-underline format of the original Major Use Permit (3301-91-026) Decision.

Building permit plans must conform in detail to this approved design. Failure to conform can cause delay to or denial of building permits and require formal amendment of this approved design. No waiver of the Uniform Building Code standards or any other code or ordinance is intended or implied.

- A. Prior to obtaining any building or other permit pursuant to this Major Use Permit Modification, and prior to commencement of construction or use of the property in reliance on this Major Use Permit Modification, the applicant shall:
 - Payoff all existing deficit accounts associated with processing this application to the satisfaction of the Department of Planning and Land Use and the Department of Public Works.
 - 2. Submit for the approval of the Director of Planning and Land Use a Landscape Plan in substantial conformance with the preliminary Landscape Plan on file with the Department of Planning and Land Use dated January 21, 1992. The landscaping plan shall show shrubbery and

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groundcover that screens the structures, fences and other non-residential uses and structures. (N.D.)

- 3. Submit for the approval of the Director of Planning and Land Use a
 Minor Deviation to the approved Landscape Plan for P91-026. This
 Minor Deviation shall show 2, approximately 28 foot tall. 48 inch box
 Canary Island pine trees approximately 20 feet east of the
 tower. It shall also show three (3) 15 gallon Allepo pine trees
 approximately 28 to 30 feet east of the tower. All necessary
 hardware/procedures required to ensure accelerated growth for these
 trees shall be specified. The purpose of these trees is to provide visual
 relief from the tower up to approximately 50 feet of height.
- B. Prior to any occupancy or use of the premises pursuant to this Major Use Permit Modification, the applicant shall:
 - 1. Agree to preserve and save harmless the County of San Diego and each officer and employee thereof from any liability or responsibility for any accident, loss, or damage to persons or property happening or occurring as the proximate result of any of the work undertaken to complete this work, and that all of said liabilities are hereby assumed by the property owner.
 - 2. Install all landscaping and improvements shown on the approved landscaping plan and <u>Minor Deviation to said plans</u>. (N.D.)
 - 3. Submit to the Director of Planning and Land Use a statement from the licensed landscape architect that all landscaping has been installed as shown on the approved landscape planting and irrigation plans and Minor Deviation to said plans. (N.D.)
 - 4. Construct the equipment building consistent with the color and material board submitted to the Department of Planning and Land Use on December 17, 1991. (N.D.)
 - 5. Provide evidence that the noise from the generator will not exceed the ambient noise level of the neighborhood. (N.D.)

Upon certification by the Director of the Department of Planning and Land Use for occupancy or establishment of use allowed by this Major Use Permit Modification, the following conditions shall apply:

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- C. All light fixtures shall be designed and adjusted to reflect light downward, away from any road or street, and away from any adjoining premises, and shall otherwise conform to Section 6324 of The Zoning Ordinance.
- D. No loudspeaker or sound amplification system shall be used.
- E. The parking areas and driveways shall be well maintained.
- F. All landscaping shall be adequately watered and well maintained at all times. Any procedures specified in the Minor Deviation to the Landscape Plan regarding accelerated growth of the Canary Island and Allepo pine trees shall be maintained. (N.D.)
- G. The site will not be operated in such a manner as to cause the radio frequency emissions to exceed the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard for human health, or other standards for safe exposure as adopted by the County. (N.D.)
- H. All rubbish. debris. dried grass. weeds. and other vegetation that may present a fire hazard shall be removed from the property and the surrounding area (minimum ten feet) shall remain clear and unobstructed of debris and vegetation.
- I. The access roadway shall remain clear and unobstructed at all times.
- H.J. This Major Use Permit Modification shall expire on March 26, 1995
 August 5, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. (or such longer period as may be approved pursuant to Section 7376 of The Zoning Ordinance of the County of San Diego prior to said expiration date) unless construction or use in reliance on this Major Use Permit has commenced prior to said expiration date.
- H.K. NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANTS: The County of San Diego hereby notifies the applicant that State law (AB 3158) effective January 1, 1991, requires certain projects to pay fees for purposes of funding the California Department of Fish and Game. In order to comply with State law, the applicant should remit to the County Department of Planning and Land Use, within two (2) working days of the effective date of this approval (the "effective date" being the end of the appeal period, if applicable), a certified check payable to "County Clerk" in the amount of \$1,275.00 for a project with a Negative Declaration, or \$875.00 for a project with an Environmental Impact Report. These fees include an authorized County administrative fee of \$25.00. The fees may be waived for projects which

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are found by the Department of Planning and Land Use and the California Department of Fish and Game to have a de minimis impact on fish and wildlife resources. Failure to remit the required fee in full within the time specified above will result in County notification to the State that a fee was required but not paid, and could result in State imposed penalties and recovery under the provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code. In addition, Section 21089(b) of the Public Resources Code, and Section 711.4(c) of the Fish and Game Code, provide that no project shall be operative, vested, or final until the required filing fee is paid.

DEFENSE OF LAWSUITS AND INDEMNITY: The applicant shall: (1) defend, <u>႕.L.</u> indemnify and hold harmless the County, its agents, officers and employees, from any claim, action or proceeding against the County, its agents, officers or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul this approval or any of the proceedings, acts of determination taken, done or made prior to this approval, if the action is brought within the time period specified in Government Code Section 66499.37; and (2) reimburse the County, its agents, officers and employees for any court costs and attorney's fees which the County, its agents or officers or employees may be required to pay as a result of this approval. At its sole discretion, the County may participate at its own expense in the defense of any such action, but such participation shall not relieve the applicant of any obligation imposed by this condition. The County shall notify the applicant promptly of any claim or action and cooperate fully in the defense.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION MUP-94-019W3: Compliance with the following Specific Conditions (Mitigation Measures when applicable) shall be established before the property can be used in reliance upon this Major Use Permit. Please note that all applicable ongoing conditions associated with the original Major Use Permit and subsequent Modification approval shall apply. Where specifically indicated, actions are required prior to approval of any grading, improvement, building plan and issuance of grading, construction, building, or other permits as specified:

ANY PERMIT: (Prior to the approval of any plan, issuance of any permit, and prior to occupancy or use of the premises in reliance of this permit).

1. GEN#1-COST RECOVERY: [PDS, DPW, DEH, DPR], [GP, CP, BP, UO] INTENT: In order to comply with Section 362 of Article XX of the San Diego County Administrative Code, Schedule B.5, existing deficit accounts associated with processing this permit shall be paid. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The applicant shall pay off all existing deficit accounts associated with processing this permit. DOCUMENTATION: The applicant shall provide a receipt to Planning & Development Services, Zoning Counter,

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which shows that all discretionary deposit accounts have been paid. No permit can be issued if there are deficit deposit accounts. **TIMING:** Prior to the approval of any plan and prior to the issuance of any permit and prior to use in reliance of this permit, all fees and discretionary deposit accounts shall be paid. **MONITORING:** The PDS Zoning Counter shall review the receipts and verify that all PDS, DPW, DEH, and DPR deposit accounts have been paid.

2. GEN#2-RECORDATION OF DECISION: [PDS], [GP, CP, BP, UO]

INTENT: In order to comply with Section 7019 of the Zoning Ordinance, the Permit Decision shall be recorded to provide constructive notice to all purchasers, transferees, or other successors to the interests of the owners named, of the rights and obligations created by this permit. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The applicant shall sign, notarize with an 'all-purpose acknowledgement' and return the original Recordation Form to PDS. DOCUMENTATION: Signed and notarized original Recordation Form. TIMING: Prior to the approval of any plan and prior to the issuance of any permit and prior to use in reliance of this permit, a signed and notarized copy of the Decision shall be recorded by PDS at the County Recorder's Office. MONITORING: The PDS Zoning Counter shall verify that the Decision was recorded and that a copy of the recorded document is on file at PDS.

OCCUPANCY: (Prior to any occupancy, final grading release, or use of the premises in reliance of this permit).

3. GEN#3-INSPECTION FEE

INTENT: In order to comply with Zoning Ordinance Section 7362.e the inspection fee shall be paid. DESCRIPTION OF REQIREMENT: Pay the inspection fee at the [PDS, ZC] to cover the cost of inspection(s) of the property to monitor ongoing conditions associated with this permit. In addition, submit a letter indicating who should be contacted to schedule the inspection. DOCUMENTATION: The applicant shall provide a receipt showing that the inspection fee has been paid along with updated contact information [PDS, PCC]. TIMING: Prior to any occupancy, final grading release, or use of the premises in reliance of this permit. MONITORING: The [PDS, ZC] shall process an invoice and collect the fee. PDS will schedule an inspection within one year from the date that occupancy or use of the site was established.

4. PLN#1-PHOTO SIMULATION (WIRELESS): [PDS, PCC] [UO, FG] [PDS, FEE]

INTENT: In order to verify that the site complies with the County Zoning Ordinance Section 6980 through 6991 (Wireless Telecommunications Section), the site shall substantially comply with the approved plot plans and photo-simulations. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The site shall be built to substantially comply with the approved photo-simulations dated 11/30/2018 to ensure that the site was built to be screened from public view. DOCUMENTATION: The applicant shall build the site to comply with the approved plans and the photo-simulations. Upon completion, the applicant shall provide the photographic evidence to the [PDS, PCC] for review. TIMING: Prior to any occupancy, final grading release, or use of the premises in reliance of this permit, the site shall be built to match the approval. MONITORING: The [PDS, PCC] shall review the provided

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photos for compliance with this condition and compliance with the photo-simulations.

5. PLN#2-SITE CONFORMANCE (WIRELESS)

INTENT: In order to verify that the site complies with the County Zoning Ordinance Section 6980 through 6991 (Wireless Telecommunications Section), the site shall substantially comply with the approved plot plans. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The site shall be built to substantially comply with the approved plot plans. DOCUMENTATION: The applicant shall build the site to comply with the approved plans. Upon completion, the applicant shall provide the photographic evidence to the [PDS, PCC] for review. TIMING: Prior to any occupancy, final grading release, or use of the premises in reliance of this permit, the site shall be built to match the approval. MONITORING: The [PDS, PCC] shall review the provided photos for compliance with this condition and compliance with the approved plot plans.

6. PLN#3-SITE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION: [PDS, BI] [UO] [DPR, TC, PP].

INTENT: In order to comply with the approved project design indicated on the approved plot plan, the project shall be constructed as indicated on the approved building and construction plans. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The site shall conform to the approved plot plan and the building plans. This includes, but is not limited to: installing all required design features, painting all structures with the approved colors, and all temporary construction facilities have been removed from the site. **DOCUMENTATION**: The applicant shall ensure that the site conforms to the approved plot plan and building plans. Any interior changes to approved telecommunications equipment that are located entirely within an approved enclosed equipment shelter, with equipment that cannot be seen by an adjacent residence, parcel or roadway, shall not require Modification or Deviation of the permit, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development Services (expansion of the existing approved equipment shelter and/or addition of noise generating equipment would require either Modification or Deviation of the permit). **TIMING:** Prior to any occupancy, final grading release, or use of the premises in reliance of this permit, the site shall conform to the approved plans. MONITORING: The [PDS, Building Inspector and DPR [TC, PP] shall inspect the site for compliance with the approved Building Plans.

7. HAZ#1-HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

INTENT: In order to protect workers from hazardous chemicals and to notify the public of potential hazardous chemicals and substances and to comply with the California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.95, the applicant shall receive approval from the Department of Environmental Health. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The applicant of the facility shall obtain all necessary permits for the storage, handling, and disposal of the hazardous materials as required by the Department of Environmental Health-Hazardous Materials Division. The plan shall be approved by [DEH, HMD]. The Hazardous Materials Division, Plan Check section contact is Joan Swanson, (858) 505-6880 or by email at joan.swanson@sdcounty.ca.gov. TIMING: Prior to occupancy of the first structure built in association with this permit, the Health and Safety Plan, and Hazardous Materials Business Plan shall be prepared, approved and implemented. MONITORING: [DEH, HMD] shall verify and approve all compliance with this condition.

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ONGOING: (The following conditions shall apply during the term of this permit).

8. PLN#4-SITE CONFORMANCE: [PDS, PCO] [OG] [DPR, TC, PP].

INTENT: In order to comply with Zoning Ordinance Section 7703, the site shall substantially comply with the approved plot plans and all deviations thereof, specific conditions and approved building plans. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The project shall conform to the approved building plans, and plot plan(s). This includes, but is not limited to maintaining the following: painting all necessary aesthetics design features, and all lighting wall/fencing. Failure to conform to the approved plot plan(s) is an unlawful use of the land, and will result in enforcement action pursuant to Zoning Ordinance Section 7703. **DOCUMENTATION:** The property owner and permittee shall conform to the approved plot plan. If the permittee or property owner chooses to change the site design in any away, they must obtain approval from the County for a Minor Deviation or a Modification pursuant to the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance. Any interior changes to approved telecommunications equipment that are located entirely within an approved enclosed equipment shelter, with equipment that cannot be seen by an adjacent residence, parcel or roadway, shall not require Modification or Deviation of the permit, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development Services (expansion of the existing approved equipment shelter and/or addition of noise generating equipment would require either Modification or Deviation of the permit). **TIMING:** Upon establishment of the use, this condition shall apply for the duration of the term of this permit. MONITORING: The [PDS, Code Enforcement Division] is responsible for enforcement of this permit.

9. PLN#5-SITE CONFORMANCE (WIRELESS): [PDS, PCO] [OG].

INTENT: In order to comply with the County Zoning Ordinance Section 6980 through 6991 (Wireless Telecommunications Section), the site shall substantially comply with the requirements of this condition. **DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT:** The project shall conform to the following requirements. This includes, but is not limited to maintaining the following:

- a. Maintain the appearance of the facility, landscaping, and associated equipment shelter, as depicted in the approved photo simulations dated 11/30/2018. Any interior changes to approved telecommunications equipment that are located entirely within an approved enclosed equipment shelter, with equipment that cannot be seen by an adjacent residence, parcel or roadway, shall not require Modification or Deviation of the permit, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development Services (expansion of the existing approved equipment shelter and/or addition of noise generating equipment would require either Modification or Deviation of the permit).
- b. All graffiti on any components of the facility shall be removed promptly in accordance with County regulations. Graffiti on any facility in the public right-of-way must be removed within 48 hours of notification.

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- c. All wireless telecommunications sites including antennae and cabinets shall be kept clean and free of litter, display a legible operator's contact number for reporting maintenance problems, and be secured to prohibit unauthorized access.
- d. Wireless telecommunications facilities with use discontinued shall be considered abandoned 90 days following the final day of use. All abandoned facilities shall be physically removed by the facility owner no more than 90 days following the final day of use or determination that the facility has been abandoned, whichever occurs first. All wireless carriers who intend to abandon or discontinue the use of any wireless telecommunications facility shall notify the County of such intention no less than 60 days before the final day of use. The County reserves the right to remove any facilities that are abandoned for more than 90 days at the expense of the facility owner. Any abandoned site shall be restored to its natural or former condition. Grading and landscaping in good condition may remain.

pocumentation: The property owner and applicant shall conform to the ongoing requirements of this condition. Failure to conform to the approved plot plan(s); is an unlawful use of the land, and will result in enforcement action pursuant to Zoning Ordinance Section 7703. TIMING: Upon establishment of the use, this condition shall apply for the duration of the term of this permit. MONITORING: The [PDS, Code Enforcement Division] is responsible for enforcement of this permit.

10. NOISE#1-ON-GOING SOUND LEVEL COMPLIANCE: [PDS, CODES] [OG]

INTENT: In order to comply with the applicable sections of Title 3, Division 6, Chapter 4 (County of San Diego Noise Ordinance), the site shall comply with the requirements of this condition. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIRMENT: The project shall conform to the following requirements: Major Use Permit associated activities shall comply with the one-hour average sound level limit property line requirement pursuant to the County Noise Ordinance, Section 36.404. This includes (but not limited to) generator and air conditioner units. DOCUMENTATION: The property owner(s) and applicant shall conform to the ongoing requirements of this condition. Failure to conform to this condition may result in disturbing, excessive or offensive noise interfering with a person's right to enjoy life and property and is detrimental to the public health and safety pursuant to the applicable sections of Chapter 4. TIMING: Upon establishment of the use, this condition shall apply for the duration of the term of this permit. MONITORING: The [PDS, CODES] is responsible for enforcement of this permit.

11. ROADS#1-PRIVATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

INTENT: In order to ensure that the on and offsite private roads are maintained and not damaged during construction and during the term of the permit, the applicant shall assume responsibility. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: The applicant is responsible for the repair of any damage caused by this Project during construction and the term of this permit to on-site and offsite private roads that serve the Project. Furthermore, the applicant is responsible for maintenance on a proportional basis (number of trips) during the term of this permit to on-site and offsite private roads that serve the Project. DOCUMENTATION: The applicant shall assume responsibility pursuant to this condition. TIMING: Upon establishment of use, this condition shall apply during the term of this permit. MONITORING: The [PDS, Code Enforcement Division] is responsible for enforcement of this permit.

MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION FINDINGS FOR PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

Pursuant to Section 7358 of The Zoning Ordinance, the following findings in support of the granting of the Major Use Permit Modification are made:

- (a) The location, size, design, and operating characteristics of the proposed use will be compatible with adjacent uses, residents, buildings, or structures with consideration given to
 - 1. Harmony in scale, bulk, coverage, and density

Harmony:

The proposed Major Use Permit Modification consists of the construction and installation of a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree with an associated ice bridge and the removal of the existing 58-foot tall monopole as well as the construction of an extension of an existing CMU enclosure. The 58-foot tall monopole will be removed upon the completion of the construction of the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree and the relocation of antennas and additional equipment from the 58-foot tall monopole to the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The equipment necessary for the facility is currently located within a faux residence equipment shelter and a Concrete Masonry Unit (CMU) enclosure. The wireless telecommunication facility would be converted to a stealth design of a faux tree in order to be in harmony of the visual landscape of the project vicinity.

The subject property is approximately 0.4 acres and is developed with an existing 58-foot tall monopole, faux residence equipment shelter, and a CMU enclosure. Structures and objects surrounding the project site consist of mature trees and utility poles along roadways. The project is compatible with the surrounding area which is comprised primarily of motor transport highways and residential uses. In

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addition, the facility is separated from residences to the east of the facility by Interstate 805 (I-805). Therefore, the project, as designed, is camouflaged and will be in harmony with the community character.

Scale and Bulk:

The project area can primarily be characterized as motor transport uses and residential uses. Mature trees and utility poles are located within the project vicinity. The 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree would be of comparable height to utility poles, eucalyptus trees, and other vertical elements within the project vicinity.

Photo simulations on file with this Major Use Permit Modification illustrate that the proposed 58-foot faux mono-eucalyptus tree with antennas and an associated CMU equipment enclosure would be in harmony with the scale and bulk of the surrounding area and therefore would be unobtrusive to the surrounding viewshed. The wireless telecommunication facility is not visible from a Scenic Highway as identified in the County of San Diego General Plan. However, the facility is visible from I-805 which is a well-traveled public viewshed. The faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be in harmony with the existing trees and utility poles within the project vicinity. Views of the facility from I-805 and adjacent public viewsheds will be partially screened by existing vegetation and eucalyptus trees located on a knoll directly between I-805 and the project site. The design of the facility as a faux mono-eucalyptus tree will appear as an expected visual feature within the community from views of the project site. The existing equipment shelter has been designed as a faux residence with a tile roof and will continue to be screened from public views by existing vegetation. The wireless telecommunication facility has been sited further away from the nearest residence and closer to the adjacent highway.

Coverage:

The subject parcel is approximately 0.4 acres in size and all construction associated with the facility will be directly adjacent to the existing equipment shelter and CMU enclosure. Due to the small scale of the facility, the project will not contribute significantly to the existing site coverage, nor will it substantially increase the scale and bulk of the subject property. Additionally, the equipment shelter is designed as a faux residence which will be comparable to the lot coverage by other residences in the area. As such, the modifications of the existing telecommunications facility will maintain similar coverage with surrounding parcels. Considering the size of the subject lot compared with the size and location of the proposed structure, and the coverage characteristics of surrounding properties, the modification of the telecommunications facility will be consistent in terms of coverage of the surrounding area and will not substantially increase the lot area coverage.

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Density:

The project is a Major Use Permit Modification to authorize the installation of a telecommunication facility and does not have a residential component subject to density.

2. The availability of public facilities, services, and utilities

The project is located within the jurisdiction of the Lower Sweetwater Fire Protection District. The project has been reviewed and found to be FP-2 compliant. The project would not require water or sewer services. Electrical and telephone services are available on-site. The proposed project involves construction to an existing wireless telecommunication facility with existing access to adequate utilities. All required utilities are therefore available for the project.

3. The harmful effect, if any, upon desirable neighborhood character:

The project is a Major Use Permit Modification for the authorization of modifications to an existing wireless telecommunication facility. The Major Use Permit modification has been submitted in order to bring the existing wireless telecommunication facility into conformance with the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance pursuant to the amortization requirements outlined in sections 6985 and 6991. The subject project will result in the removal of an existing monopole and the construction of a faux tree design. Photo-simulations on file with the Major Use Permit Modification demonstrate that the faux mono-eucalyptus tree and associated equipment enclosure will be in harmony with the existing neighborhood character. The facility designed as a faux tree would be appear as an expected visual feature within the project vicinity as the visual landscape within the project vicinity contains mature trees located on rolling hills. The wireless facility has been sited on the easternmost portion of the project site closer to I-805 and away from residences. The line, form, and color of the facility will be largely consistent with other elements that make up the visual setting of the area, such as the existing vegetation onsite.

The project has been reviewed for noise impacts and determined to be consistent with the County Noise Ordinance. The current proposed project does not contain additional noise generating equipment. The existing wireless telecommunication facility contains supporting equipment within a CMU enclosure and a faux residence equipment enclosure that were authorized by a previously Major Use Permit Modification. The project, as designed, would not cause any substantial negative aesthetic effect to views from the surrounding area and roadways. Therefore, the project would not have a harmful effect on the neighborhood character.

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4. The generation of traffic and the capacity and physical character of surrounding streets:

The traffic generated from the project is expected to result in approximately one trip per month and will utilize Grove Street, a County-Maintained Road, as access. The use associated with this Major Use Permit is compatible with the existing rural nature of the area because the number of maintenance trips will not substantially alter the expected traffic or physical character of the surrounding streets and will be compatible with adjacent uses.

5. The suitability of the site for the type and intensity of use or development, which is proposed:

The applicant proposes a Major Use Permit Modification for the authorization of alterations to an existing unmanned wireless telecommunication facility. The subject property is approximately 0.4 acres in size and has access and utility services adequate to serve the proposed use. The removal of the existing 58-foot tall monopole and construction of the 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be located on the same property directly adjacent to the existing facility. The project, as designed, would be camouflaged, would not change the characteristics of the area and is suitable for this site and the type and intensity of uses and development. For reasons stated above, the proposed project would be compatible with adjacent land uses.

6. Any other relevant impact of the proposed use:

None identified.

(b) The impacts, as described in Findings (a) above, and the location of the proposed use will be consistent with the San Diego County General Plan:

The project is within the Village Residential General Plan Land Use Designation, and it is within the unincorporated County Island of Lincoln Acres. The project complies with the General Plan because civic uses are allowed if they support the local population. In addition, the project is consistent with Goal S-1 (Public Safety) and S-2 (Emergency Response) of the Public Safety Element of the County General Plan, because it encourages enhanced public safety and effective emergency response to natural or human-induced disasters, while also reducing disruptions in the delivery of vital public and private services during and following a disaster. Furthermore, the project would be consistent with the General Plan Land Use Element Goal 15.1 because the proposed project is compatible with the existing community character, and the project would not result in impacts to the natural environment. The project would be consistent with the General Plan Land Use Element Goal 15.2 because it is designed for co-location. Therefore, the proposed use and project are consistent with the San Diego County General Plan.

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(c) That the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act have been complied with:

An Addendum dated November 22, 2019 to the previously adopted ND (Log No. 91-18-06) dated July 5, 1994 was prepared and is on file with Planning & Development Services. It has been determined that the project, as designed, would not cause any significant impacts on the environment which require mitigation measures that were not previously analyzed in the adopted ND.

WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FINDINGS

The project is in a preferred location in a non-preferred zone. Pursuant to Section 6986.B of the Wireless Telecommunication Facilities Ordinance, the applicant provided an alternate site analysis and discussed preferred locations in the area and why they were not technologically or legally feasible. Pursuant to Section 6986.C of the Ordinance, the applicant has provided a well-designed facility as that of a natural tree. Due to the camouflaging of the facility and lack of preferred zones in the surrounding area, the proposed project has been determined to be preferable due to its aesthetic and community character compatibility.

ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE NOTIFICATIONS: The project is subject to, but not limited to, the following County of San Diego, State of California, and U.S. Federal Government, Ordinances, Permits, and Requirements:

LIGHTING ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE: In order to comply with the County Lighting Ordinance 59.101 et seq. and Zoning Ordinance Sections 6322, 6324, and 6326, the onsite lighting shall comply with the approved plot plan(s), specific permit conditions and approved building plans associated with this permit. All light fixtures shall be designed and adjusted to reflect light downward, away from any road or street, and away from adjoining premises, and shall otherwise conform to the County Lighting Ordinance 59.101 et seq. and Zoning Ordinance Sections 6322, and 6324. The property owner and permittee shall conform to the approved plot plan(s), specific permit conditions, and approved building plans associated with this permit as they pertain to lighting. No additional lighting is permitted. If the permittee or property owner chooses to change the site design in any away, they must obtain approval from the County for a Minor Deviation or a Modification pursuant to the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance.

NOISE ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE: In order to comply with the County Noise Ordinance 36.401 et seq. and the Noise Standards pursuant to the General Plan Noise Element (Table N-1 & N-2), the property and all of its uses shall comply with the approved plot plans, specific permit conditions and approved building plans associated with this permit. No noise generating equipment and project related noise sources shall produce noise levels in violation of the County Noise Ordinance. The property owner and permittee shall conform to the approved plot plan(s), specific permit conditions, and approved building plans associated with this permit as they pertain to noise generating devices or activities. If the permittee or property owner chooses to change the site design in any away, they must obtain approval from the County for a Minor Deviation or a Modification pursuant to the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance.

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COMPLIANCE INSPECTION: In order to comply with Zoning Ordinance Section 7362.e the County shall inspect the Use Permit property for compliance with the terms of this Use Permit. The County Permit Compliance Officer will perform a site inspection and review the on-going conditions associated with this permit. The inspection shall be scheduled no later than the six months subsequent to establishing the intended use of the permit. If the County determines the applicant is not complying with the Major Use Permit terms and conditions the applicant shall allow the County to conduct follow up inspections more frequently than once every twelve months until the County determines the applicant is in compliance. The Property Owner/Permittee shall allow the County to inspect the property for which the Major Use Permit has been granted, at least once every twelve months, to determine if the Property Owner/Permittee is complying with all terms and conditions of the Use Permit. This requirement shall apply during the term of this permit.

STORMWATER ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE: In order to Comply with all applicable stormwater regulations the activities proposed under this application are subject to enforcement under permits from the <u>San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)</u> and the County of San Diego Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management, and Discharge Control <u>Ordinance No. 10410</u> and all other applicable ordinances and standards for the life of this permit. The project site shall be in compliance with all applicable stormwater regulations referenced above and all other applicable ordinances and standards. This includes compliance with the approved Stormwater Management Plan, all requirements for Low Impact Development (LID), Hydromodification, materials and wastes control, erosion control, and sediment control on the project site. Projects that involve areas 1 acre or greater require that during construction the property owner keeps the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) onsite and update it as needed. The property owner and permittee shall comply with the requirements of the stormwater regulations referenced above.

LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT NOTICE: The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (SDRWQCB) issued a new Municipal Stormwater Permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The requirements of the Municipal Permit were implemented beginning in May 2013. *Project design shall be in compliance with the new Municipal Permit regulations*. The Low Impact Development (LID) Best Management Practices (BMP) Requirements of the Municipal Permit can be found at the following link:

http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/dpw/WATERSHED_PROTECTION_PROGRAM/susmppdf/lid_handbook_2014sm.pdf

The County has provided a LID Handbook as a source for LID information and is to be utilized by County staff and outside consultants for implementing LID in our region. See link below. http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/docs/LID-Handbook.pdf

STORMWATER COMPLIANCE NOTICE: Updated studies, including Hydro-modification Management Plans for Priority Development Projects, will be required prior to approval of grading and improvement plans for construction pursuant to <u>County of San Diego Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management and Discharge Control Ordinance No. 10410 (N.S.), dated February 26, 2016 and BMP Design Manual. These requirements are subject to the MS4 Permit</u>

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issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Order No. R9-2013-0001 and any subsequent order Additional studies and other action may be needed to comply with future MS4 Permits.

GRADING PERMIT REQUIRED: A grading permit is required prior to commencement of grading when quantities of excavation or fill results in the movement of material exceeding 200 cubic yards or eight feet (8') in vertical height of cut/fill, pursuant to <u>Section 87.201 of Grading Ordinance.</u>

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT REQUIRED: A Construction Permit and/or Encroachment Permit are required for any and all work within the County road right-of-way. Contact PDS Construction/Road right-of-way Permits Services Section, (858) 694-3275, to coordinate County requirements. In addition, before trimming, removing or planting trees or shrubs in the County Road right-of-way, the applicant must first obtain a permit to remove plant or trim shrubs or trees from the Permit Services Section.

ENCROACHMENT PERMIT REQUIRED: An Encroachment Permit is required for any and all proposed/existing facilities within the County right-of-way. At the time of construction of future road improvements, the proposed facilities shall be relocated at no cost to the County, to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

EXCAVATION PERMIT REQUIRED: An excavation permit is required for undergrounding and/or relocation of utilities within the County right-of-way.

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEE: The project is subject to County of San Diego Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) pursuant to County TIF Ordinance number 77.201 – 77.223. The Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) shall be paid. The fee is required for the entire project, or it can be paid at building permit issuance for each phase of the project. The fee is calculated pursuant to the ordinance at the time of building permit issuance. The applicant shall pay the TIF at the [PDS, LD Counter] and provide a copy of the receipt to the [PDS, BD] at time of permit issuance.

NOTICE: The subject property contains mature trees which may be used for nesting by migratory birds. Any grading, brushing or clearing conducted during the migratory bird breeding season, February 1 – August 31, has a potential to impact nesting or breeding birds in violation of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. The applicant may submit evidence that nesting or breeding migratory birds will not be affected by the grading, brushing or clearing to these agencies: California Department of Fish and Wildlife, 3883 Ruffin Rd., San Diego, CA 92123, (858) 467-4201, http://www.dfg.ca.gov/; and United States Fish and Wildlife Service, 2177 Salk Avenue, Suite 250, Carlsbad, California 92008, (760) 431-9440, http://www.fws.gov/.

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NOTICE: This project has been found to conform to the San Diego County Multiple Species Conservation Program Subarea Plan, Biological Mitigation Ordinance and Implementing Agreement. Upon fulfillment of the requirements for permanent mitigation and management of preserved areas as outlined in Section 17.1 (A) of the County's Implementing Agreement for the Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Plan, Third Party Beneficiary Status can be attained for the project. Third party beneficiary status allows the property owner to perform "incidental take" under the State and Federal Endangered Species Acts, of species covered by the MSCP Plan while undertaking land development activities in conformance with an approval granted by the County in compliance with the County's Implementing Agreement.

Planning & Development Services	(PDS)		
Project Planning Division	PPD	Land Development Project Review Teams	LDR
Permit Compliance Coordinator	PCC	Project Manager	PM
Building Plan Process Review	BPPR	Plan Checker	PC
Building Division	BD	Map Checker	MC
Building Inspector	BI	Landscape Architect	LA
Zoning Counter	ZO		
Department of Public Works (DPV	/)		
Private Development Construction Inspection	PDCI	Environmental Services Unit Division	ESU
Department of Environmental Hea	Ith (DEF	1)	
Land and Water Quality Division	LWQ	Local Enforcement Agency	LEA
Vector Control	VCT	Hazmat Division	HMD
Department of Parks and Recreati	on (DPF	R)	
Trails Coordinator	TC	Group Program Manager	GPM
Parks Planner	PP		
Department of General Service (D	GS)		
Real Property Division	RP		

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APPEAL PROCEDURE: Within ten calendar days after the date of this Decision of the Planning Commission, the decision may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors in accordance with Section 7366 of the County Zoning Ordinance. An appeal shall be filed with the Director of Planning & Development Services or by mail with the Secretary of the Planning Commission within TEN CALENDAR DAYS of the date of this notice AND MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPOSIT OR FEE AS PRESCRIBED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S FEE SCHEDULE, PDS FORM #369, pursuant to Section 362 of the San Diego County Administrative Code. If the tenth day falls on a weekend or County holiday, an appeal will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on the following day the County is open for business. Filing of an appeal will stay the decision of the Director until a hearing on your application is held and action is taken by the Planning Commission. Furthermore, the 90-day period in which the applicant may file a protest of the fees, dedications or exactions begins on the date of approval of this Decision.

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO PLANNING COMMISSION MARK WARDLAW, SECRETARY

BY:

Mark Slovick, Deputy Director Project Planning & Land Development Division Planning & Development Services

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Tona Avalos, Land Development, Planning & Development Services
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Attachment C – Environmental Documentation



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KATHLEEN A. FLANNERY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

AN ADDENDUM TO THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR PURPOSES OF CONSIDERATION OF PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

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CEQA Guidelines, Section 15164(b) states that an Addendum to a previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration may be prepared if only minor technical changes or additions are necessary or none of the conditions described in Section 15162 or 15163 calling for the preparation of a subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration have occurred.

There are some minor changes and additions, which need to be included in an Addendum to the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration to accurately cover the new project. The additions are underlined and deletions are struck out. The changes and additions consist of the following:

- 1. To the Project Name add: <u>Las Palmas Wireless Telecommunications Facility Major Use</u> Permit Modification
- 2. To the Project Number(s) add: <u>PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3; PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C</u>
- To the first paragraph add as indicated: <u>The Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project</u> is comprised of this form along with the Environmental Review Update Checklist Form for <u>Projects with a Previously Approved Environmental Document dated December 13, 2019</u>, which includes the following forms attached.
 - A. An Addendum to the previously approved Mitigated Negative Declaration with an Environmental Review Update Checklist Form for Projects with a Previously Approved Environmental Document dated December 13, 2019.
 - B. <u>An Ordinance Compliance Checklist</u>



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Environmental Review Update Checklist Form For projects with Previously Approved Environmental Documents

FOR PURPOSES OF CONSIDERATION OF Las Palmas Wireless Telecommunication Facility Major Use Permit Modification PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15162 through 15164 set forth the criteria for determining the appropriate additional environmental documentation, if any, to be completed when there is a previously adopted Negative Declaration (ND) or a previously certified environmental impact report (EIR) covering the project for which a subsequent discretionary action is required. This Environmental Review Update Checklist Form has been prepared in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(e) to explain the rationale for determining whether any additional environmental documentation is needed for the subject discretionary action.

1. Background on the previously adopted MND:

A MND for a Major Use Permit Modification for the Las Palmas Wireless Facility project (P91-026W1), Log No. 91-18-06 was adopted by the Planning Commission on August 5, 1994. The Major Use Permit Modification consisted of extending an existing 22-foot tall monopole to a maximum height of 58 feet. The adopted MND found the project would not have any potentially significant effects as the project was conditioned to install landscaping consisting of two Canary Island pine trees and three Allepo pine trees adjacent to the new 58-foot tall monopole in order to mitigate for potential visual impacts caused by the increase in height of the monopole.

Lead agency name and address:
 County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services
 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110
 San Diego, CA 92123

- a. Contact Sean Oberbauer, Project Manager
- b. Phone number: (858) 495-5747
- c. E-mail: sean.oberbauer@sdcounty.ca.gov

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Dail Richard of SAC Wireless on behalf of Crown Castle 5015 Shoreham Place Suite 150, San Diego, CA 92122

4. Summary of the activities authorized by present permit/entitlement application(s):

Major Use Permit (P91-026) authorized the installation and operation of a 22-foot tall monopole with an equipment enclosure designed as a faux residence to support the facility. Major Use Permit Modification (P91-026W1) authorized an extension in height for the existing 22-foot tall monopole to a maximum height of 58 feet. A second Major Use Permit Modification (P91-026W2) was submitted but eventually withdrawn. Since the approval of the original Major Use Permit and subsequent Major Use Permit modification, three minor deviations were approved consisting of the removal and replacement of antennas and ancillary supporting equipment for the facility to the existing monopole.

5.	Does the project for which a subsequent discretionary action is now proposed differ	in any
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6. SUBJECT AREAS DETERMINED TO HAVE NEW OR SUBSTANTIALLY MORE SEVERE SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS COMPARED TO THOSE IDENTIFIED IN THE PREVIOUS ND OR EIR. The subject areas checked below were determined to be new significant environmental effects or to be previously identified effects that have a substantial increase in severity either due to a change in project, change in circumstances or new information of substantial importance, as indicated by the checklist and discussion on the following pages.

⋈ NONE		
Aesthetics	☐ Agriculture and Forest Resources	☐ Air Quality
☐ Biological Resources	☐ Cultural Resources	☐ Geology & Soils
☐ Greenhouse Gas Emissions	☐ Hazards & Haz Materials	☐ Hydrology & Water Quality
☐ Land Use & Planning		☐ Noise
☐ Population & Housing	☐ Public Services	☐ Recreation
☐ Transportation/Traffic	☐ Utilities & Service Systems	☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance

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	November 22, 2019
Signature	Date
Sean Oberbauer	Project Manager
Printed Name	Title

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INTRODUCTION

CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 through 15164 set forth the criteria for determining the appropriate additional environmental documentation, if any, to be completed when there is a previously adopted ND or a previously certified EIR for the project.

CEQA Guidelines, Section 15162(a) and 15163 state that when an ND has been adopted or an EIR certified for a project, no Subsequent or Supplemental EIR or Subsequent Negative Declaration shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determines, on the basis of substantial evidence in light of the whole public record, one or more of the following:

- Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or Negative Declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects.
- Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or Negative Declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects.
- 3. New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the Negative Declaration was adopted, shows any of the following:
 - a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or Negative Declaration; or
 - b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previously adopted Negative Declaration or previously certified EIR; or
 - c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
 - d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous Negative Declaration or EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.

CEQA Guidelines, Section 15164(b) states that an Addendum to a previously adopted Negative Declaration may be prepared if only minor technical changes or additions are necessary.

If the factors listed in CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163, or 15164 have not occurred or are not met, no changes to the previously certified EIR or previously adopted ND are necessary.

The following responses detail any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that may cause one or more effects to environmental resources. The responses support the "Determination," above, as to the type of environmental documentation required, if any.

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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW UPDATE CHECKLIST

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accommodate the new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. Therefore, the proposed Major Use Permit Modification would not result in a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified and analyzed effects to agriculture and forestry resources.

<u>III. AIR QUALITY</u> -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to air quality including: conflicts with or obstruction of implementation of the San Diego Regional Air Quality Strategy (RAQS) or applicable portions of the State Implementation Plan (SIP); violation of any air quality standard or substantial contribution to an existing or projected air quality violation; a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard; exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations; or creation of objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?

YES NO □

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IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to biological resources including: adverse effects on any sensitive natural community (including riparian habitat) or species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in a local or regional plan, policy, or regulation, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; adverse effects to federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act; interference with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with wildlife corridors, or impeding the use of native wildlife nursery sites; and/or conflicts with the provisions of any adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Communities Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional or state habitat conservation plan, policies or ordinances?

YES NO □

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<u>V. CULTURAL RESOURCES</u> -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to cultural resources including: causing a change in the significance of a historical or archaeological resource as defined in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5; destroying a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature; and/or disturbing any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?

YES NO
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VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more effects from geology and soils including: exposure of people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving rupture of a known earthquake fault, seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction, strong seismic ground shaking, or landslides; result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil; produce unstable geological conditions that will result in adverse impacts resulting from landslides, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse; being located on expansive soil creating substantial risks to life or property; and/or having soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?

YES NO □

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<u>VII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS</u> -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more effects related to environmental effects associated with greenhouse gas emissions or compliance with applicable plans, policies or regulations adopted for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions?



In 2006, the State of California passed the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, commonly referred to as Assembly Bill (AB 32), which set a GHG emissions reduction goal for the state into law. The law requires that by 2020, State emissions must be reduced to 1990 levels by reducing GHG emissions from significant sources via regulation, market mechanisms, and other actions. Senate Bill (SB) 375, passed in 2008, links transportation and land use planning with global warming. It requires the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to set regional targets for the purpose of reducing GHG emissions from passenger vehicles. Under this law, if regions develop integrated land use, housing, and transportation plans that meet SB 375 targets, new projects in these regions can be relieved of certain new requirements under CEQA. The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) has prepared the region's Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) which are elements of the San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan. The strategy identifies how regional GHG reduction targets, as established by the ARB, will be achieved through development patterns, transportation infrastructure investments, and/or transportation measures or policies that are determined to be feasible. To implement State mandates to address climate change in local land use planning, local land use jurisdictions are generally preparing GHG emission inventories and reduction plans and incorporating climate change policies into local General Plans to ensure development is guided by a land use plan that reduces GHG emissions. The County of San Diego's General Plan, adopted in 2011, incorporates various climate change goals and policies. These policies provide direction for individual development projects to reduce GHG emissions. The County adopted a Climate Action Plan (CAP) in February 2018. The original project was approved prior to CAP approval and the CAP included the project in its baseline emissions as the original project was approved prior to the General Plan Update as well as the adoption of the Climate Action Plan.

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approximately monthly maintenance trips. There are no changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in effects associated with greenhouse gas emissions of compliance with applicable plans, policies or regulations adopted for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more effects from hazards and hazardous materials including: creation of a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, storage, use, or disposal of hazardous materials or wastes; creation of a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment; production of hazardous emissions or handling hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school: location on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 creating a hazard to the public or the environment; location within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport; within the vicinity of a private airstrip resulting in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area; impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan; and/or exposure of people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?

YES NO □

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IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to hydrology and water quality including: violation of any waste discharge requirements; an increase in any listed pollutant to an impaired water body listed under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act; cause or contribute to an exceedance of applicable surface or groundwater receiving water quality objectives or degradation of beneficial uses; substantially deplete groundwater

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supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level; substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area in a manner which would result in substantial erosion, siltation or flooding on- or off-site; create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems; provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; place housing or other structures which would impede or redirect flood flows within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map, including County Floodplain Maps; expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam; and/or inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?



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X. LAND USE AND PLANNING -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to land use and planning including: physically dividing an established community; and/or conflicts with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?

YES NO ⊠

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XI. MINERAL RESOURCES -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to mineral resources including: the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state; and/or loss of locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?



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XII. NOISE -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more effects from noise including: exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies; exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels; a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project; a substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project; for projects located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, or for projects within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?



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XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more effects to population and housing including displacing substantial numbers of existing housing or people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?

YES NO □ ⊠

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XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in one or more substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities or the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the following public services: fire protection, police protection, schools, parks, or other public facilities?

YES NO ⊠

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XV. RECREATION -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in an increase in the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated; or that include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

YES NO □

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XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause effects to transportation/traffic including: an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system; exceedance, either individually or cumulatively, of a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways; a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks; substantial increase in hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment); inadequate emergency access; inadequate parking capacity; and/or a conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?

YES NO ⊠

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would not result in a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified and analyzed effects to transportation and traffic.

XVII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES -- Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause one or more effects to tribal cultural resources including: causing a change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource as defined in Public Resource Code §21074?

YES NO □

Since the MND was adopted for the original Major Use Permit, there has been a change in circumstances. Assembly Bill 52 (AB-52) became effective on July 1, 2015. AB-52 requires that tribal cultural resources (TCR) be evaluated under CEQA. The proposed project was evaluated for tribal cultural resources as follows; however, AB-52 consultation does not apply since the environmental document is not a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report. The proposed project is for a Major Use Permit Modification to an existing wireless facility consisting of the removal of an existing 58-foot tall monopole and the installation of a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree as well as an extension of a CMU wall attached to an existing faux residence equipment shelter. The project has been submitted in order to bring the existing wireless telecommunication facility into conformance with the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance pursuant to the amortization requirements outlined in Sections 6985 and 6991. Two ornamental trees installed as landscaping during the first MUP Modification will be removed in order to accommodate the new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The development footprint of the project will be located within a previously disturbed area directly adjacent to the existing wireless facility.

XVIII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS — Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that cause effects to utilities and service systems including: exceedance of wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board; require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities, new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects; require new or expanded entitlements to water supplies or new water resources to serve the project; result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider, which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments; be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs; and/or noncompliance with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?

YES NO ⊠

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telecommunication facility into conformance with the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance pursuant to the amortization requirements outlined in Sections 6985 and 6991. Two ornamental trees installed as landscaping during the first MUP Modification will be removed in order to accommodate the new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The development footprint of the project will be located within a previously disturbed area directly adjacent to the existing wireless facility. The facility will still be operational during the construction of the faux tree and will continue to provide coverage and facilitate communication to motorists traveling along I-805 and to residences in the surrounding area. Therefore, the proposed Major Use Permit Modification would not result in a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified and analyzed effects to utilities and service systems.

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE: Since the previous EIR was certified or previous ND was adopted, are there any changes in the project, changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in any mandatory finding of significance listed below?

Does the project degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?

Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?

Does the project have environmental effects, which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?



As discussed within this document and the attached addendum, there are no changes in circumstances under which the project is undertaken and/or "new information of substantial importance" that result in any of the mandatory findings of significance. There are no proposed changes to Visual Resources or Hazardous Materials that were impacts that were previously identified and analyzed in the adopted MND.

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Attachments

- Previous environmental documentation
- Addendum to the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration

XX. REFERENCES USED IN THE COMPLETION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW UPDATE CHECKLIST FORM

California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Fish and Wildlife Code, Section 1600 et. seq.

California Environmental Quality Act, CEQA Guidelines

California Environmental Quality Act. 2001. California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15382.

California Integrated Waste Management Board, Title 14, Natural Resources, Division 7

California Integrated Waste Management Board, Title 27, Environmental Protection, Division 2, Solid Waste

California Public Resources Code, CPRC, Sections 40000-41956

County Code of Regulatory Ordinances, Title 3, Division 5, Chapter 3

County of San Diego Conservation/Open Space Element of the General Plan (Goal COS-17: Solid Waste Management)

County of San Diego Conservation/Open Space Element of the General Plan

County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance (Agricultural Use Regulation, Sections 2700-2720)

County of San Diego. Resource Protection Ordinance, Article II (16-17). October 10, 1991

County of San Diego. 1997. Multiple Species Conservation Program, County of San Diego Biological Mitigation Ordinance

County of San Diego Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management, and Discharge Control Ordinance (WPO) (Ordinance Nos. 9424 and 9426, County Codes §§ 67801 et seq.)

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program, California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection

Order No. 2001-01, NPDES No. CAS 0108758, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

Ordinance 8334, An Ordinance to amend the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances relating to Flood Damage Prevention, Adopted by the Board of Supervisors on 12/7/93

Public Resources Code Sections 4290 and 4291

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San Diego County Light Pollution Code (San Diego County Code Section 59.101)

The Importance of Imperviousness from *Watershed Protection Techniques* Vol. 1, No. 3 - Fall 1994 by Tom Schueler Center for Watershed Protection

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 1976

Uniform Fire Code, Article 9 and Appendix II-A, Section 16

Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (9), California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

REVIEW FOR APPLICABILITY OF/COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCES/POLICIES

FOR PURPOSES OF CONSIDERATION OF

Las Palmas Wireless Telecommunication Facility
Major Use Permit Modification,
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			- Does the proposed project	conform to the
Habitat Loss Perr	nii/Coastai Sa	age Scrub Ord	dinance findings?	
	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXE ⊠	MPT
the Multiple Spec	ies Conserva	tion Program.	vements are located within the Therefore, conformance to gs is not required.	
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IV. RESOURCE PROTECTION ORDINANCE - Does the project comply with:

The wetland and wetland buffer regulations (Sections 86.604(a) and (b)) of the Resource Protection Ordinance?	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXEMPT
The Floodways and Floodplain Fringe section (Sections 86.604(c) and (d)) of the Resource Protection Ordinance?	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXEMPT
The <u>Steep Slope</u> section (Section 86.604(e))?	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXEMPT
The Sensitive Habitat Lands section (Section 86.604(f)) of the Resource Protection Ordinance?	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXEMPT
The Significant Prehistoric and Historic Sites section (Section 86.604(g)) of the Resource Protection Ordinance?	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE/EXEMPT

Wetland and Wetland Buffers:

The site contains no wetland habitats as defined by the San Diego County Resource Protection Ordinance. The site does not have a substratum of predominately undrained hydric soils, the land does not support, even periodically, hydric plants, nor does the site have a substratum that is non-soil and is saturated with water or covered by water at some time during the growing season of each year. Therefore, it has been found that the proposed project complies with the Resource Protection Ordinance.

Floodways and Floodplain Fringe:

The project is not located near any floodway or floodplain fringe area as defined in the resource protection ordinance, nor is it near a watercourse plotted on any official County floodway or floodplain map. Therefore, it has been found that the proposed project complies with the Resource Protection Ordinance.

Steep Slopes:

The average slope for the property is less than 25 percent gradient. Slopes with a gradient of 25 percent or greater and 50 feet or higher in vertical height are required to be placed in open space easements by the San Diego County Resource Protection Ordinance (RPO). There are no steep slopes where the wireless telecommunications facility is located and where the construction associated with the project will occur. Therefore, it has been found that the proposed project complies with Sections 86.604(e) of the RPO.

Sensitive Habitats:

Sensitive habitat lands include unique vegetation communities and/or habitat that is either necessary to support a viable population of sensitive species, is critical to the proper functioning of a balanced natural ecosystem, or which serves as a functioning wildlife corridor. No sensitive habitat lands were identified on the proposed wireless

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facility. Therefore, it has been found that the proposed project complies with Section 86.604(f) of the Resource Protection Ordinance.

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Significant Prehistoric and Historic Sites:

Based on an analysis of County of San Diego archaeology resource files, archaeological records, maps, and aerial photographs by County of San Diego staff archaeologist, it has been determined that the development footprint of the project does not contain any archaeological resources. The scope of the proposed project will construct a 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree directly adjacent to an existing wireless facility in a development footprint where previous earth disturbing activities have occurred including the installation of landscaping associated with the original project. Therefore, it has been found that the proposed project complies with Section 86.604(g) of the RPO.

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	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE	
The project Storm be complete and i		, ,	ment Plan has been reviewe PO.	ed and is found to
			ect comply with the County o e County of San Diego Noise	_
	YES	NO	NOT APPLICABLE	

The proposal would not expose people to nor generate potentially significant noise levels which exceed the allowable limits of the County of San Diego Noise Element of the General Plan, County of San Diego Noise Ordinance, and other applicable local, State, and Federal noise control regulations.

The project is zoned Urban Residential (RU) and is subject to a restrictive sound level requirement of a one-hour average 45 dBA limit at the project property line. The current project does not propose any additional noise generating equipment. Primary noise sources from the existing site consist of supporting equipment within an existing equipment shelter designed as a faux residence. The project also consists of the extension of a Concrete Masonry Unit (CMU) wall which will also assist in attenuating noise. Therefore, the project as designed demonstrates Noise Ordinance (N.O.) compliance and no noise mitigation is required.



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July 5, 1994

NOTICE OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION

P91-026W1, Log No. 91-18-06

U.S. West Cellular

FINDING:

The Planning Commission examined the Initial Study below on August 5, 1994, and found, in exercise of its independent judgment, that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and that an Environmental Impact Report need not be prepared pursuant to the San Diego County Procedures for Environmental Impact Review revised August, 1992.

INITIAL STUDY SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:

Requested modification to existing permit P91-026. The site presently contains as allowed by permit, an equipment building approximately 35 feet by 20 feet and a monopole tower supporting cellular antennas with a total height of 22 feet. These structures are contained within a leased area of 2,500 square feet. The requested modification would increase the monopole tower height for a total height of 58 feet to the top of the antennas. No other changes are proposed. The site is located at 2613 Grove Street, National City, in the Lincoln Acres area of San Diego County.

THOMAS BROS. COORDINATES: 69/D1 FIELD CHECKED: Yes ANALYST: M. Sloop

Lincoln Acres, County Islands County Plan S87 Use Regulation (5) Residential; 4.3 du/acre l du/2.5 acres

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:

This gently sloping .4 acre site is fully developed with an existing residence, garage, and accessory building and the existing cellular telecommunications equipment on a 2,500 square foot leased portion. The site is located on a small knoll immediately west of Interstate 805 in an area of small single-family houses. The nearest residences are 67, 91 and 110 feet from the monopole tower. Mature landscaping exists on and around the site. No native resources exist on-site.

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POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS:

- Increasing the total height of the tower/antenna structure to 58 feet will increase the height 36 feet above the existing structure. This will result in the structure being visible to additional areas.
- 2. The site's purpose is to transmit radio frequency radiation to the surrounding area. This radiation has been shown, in sufficient doses to be harmful to human health. The initial study for the existing facility demonstrated that the maximum radio frequency radiation at ground level would be 5% of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards for human health next to the tower, and 2½% at the fence line. Elevating the radiating antennas an additional 36 feet will lower the radiation to an even lower percentage of the standard. Thus the radiation is not expected to pose a significant health risk.

MITIGATING MEASURES PROPOSED BY APPLICANT:

Prior to obtaining any building permit or other permit pursuant to this Major Use Permit, and prior to commencement of construction, the applicant shall:

- Obtain a Minor Deviation to the existing landscape plan for P91-026 to include:
 - a. Two, 28-foot tall, 48 inch box, Canary Island pine trees to be planted approximately 20 feet east of the monopole; and
 - b. Three, 15-gallon allepo pine trees to be planted 28 to 30 feet east of the monopole.

REASONS TO SUPPORT FINDINGS (MITIGATED) OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

The potentially significant visual impact will be mitigated by the additional landscaping and no other adverse environmental impacts have been identified.

NOTE: This action becomes final upon approval by the appropriate decision-making body.

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Additional copies of this Negative Declaration may be obtained at the Community Planning Section, Department of Planning and Land Use (DPLU), 5201 Ruffin Road, San Diego, California 92123.

GERALD M. HERMANSON

Chairman

Planning and Environmental Review Board

GMH:MS:jcr

cc: Mike Sloop, Project Manager

Sierra Club Audubon Society

California Native Plant Society

Project Processing (0650) Planning/Sponsor Group

US West Cellular of CA, Inc., 3785 Sixth Avenue, San Diego, CA 92103 Lettieri-McIntyre and Associates, 1551 Fourth Avenue, Suite 430, San

Diego, CA 92101

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Attachment D – Environmental Findings

LAS PALMAS WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION PERMIT NO.: PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3 ENVIRONMENTAL LOG: PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS

December 13, 2019

1. Find that the Addendum on file with Planning & Development Services as Environmental Review Number PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C was adopted in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State and County CEQA Guidelines and that the Planning Commission has reviewed and considered the information contained therein prior to approving the project; and

Find that there are no substantial changes in the project or in the circumstances under which the project is undertaken that involve significant new environmental impacts which were not considered in the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration dated July 5, 1994 and adopted on August 5, 1994, that there is no substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects, and that no new information of substantial importance has become available since the Mitigated Negative Declaration was adopted as explained in the Environmental Review Update Checklist dated June 21, 2019.

- 2. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the Resource Protection Ordinance (RPO) per Section 86.603(a) of the RPO (County Code, section 86.601 et seq.).
- 3. Find that plans and documentation have been prepared for the proposed project that demonstrate that the project complies with the Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (County Code, section 67.801 et seq.).
- 4. Find that the project is consistent with the Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP) and the County Subarea Plan and that the project is in conformance with the Biological Mitigation Ordinance (County Code, section 86.501 et seq.) as explained in the MSCP Conformance Statement dated October 31, 2019 on file with Planning & Development Services (Environmental Review Number PDS2019-ER-91-18-06C).

MULTIPLE SPECIES CONSERVATION PROGRAM CONFORMANCE STATEMENT PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3:

Las Palmas Wireless Telecommunication Facility Major Use Permit Modification APN: 563-063-30-00, 563-063-31-00

October 31, 2019

Summary

The project proposes a Major Use Permit Modification to an existing wireless telecommunication facility. The project site is located within the Metro-Lakeside-Jamul segment of the County's Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Subarea Plan. The project is therefore required to conform to the MSCP and the Biological Mitigation Ordinance.

Statement of Fact

Staff has determined that the project can demonstrate conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) through the processing of an Addendum in accordance with Sections 15162 through 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines to the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration dated July 5, 1994. The project consists of the construction of a 58-foot tall faux monoeucalyptus tree adjacent to an existing equipment shelter and 58-foot tall monopole. All equipment and antennas on the 58-foot tall monopole will be relocated to the new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree. The project site is zoned for single family residences and previously had an existing single family until approximately 2008. The new 58-foot tall faux mono-eucalyptus tree will be constructed on a previously disturbed portion of the project site adjacent to existing facilities. Therefore, the project demonstrates conformance with the Biological Mitigation Ordinance.

There are no sensitive habitats or species within the proposed project area. The project site consists portions of remaining lots that previously had a residence on the property until 2008. The footprint of the proposed wireless telecommunication facility will be located on disturbed/urban developed portion of the property and adjacent to the existing equipment enclosure of the wireless telecommunication facility. As a Tier IV habitat, no on-site preservation is required and impacts to urban/developed habitat do not require mitigation under the Biological Mitigation Ordinance. No impacts to wildlife corridors or linkages will occur as the project site does not support geological, topographic or habitat features that would function in a corridor capacity. Furthermore, the site is not classified as a Biological Resource Core Area as it is not within the Pre-Approved Mitigation Area, is not within or adjacent to a large block of undisturbed habitat, is not mapped as having high habitat value and does not support sensitive species. Given the current site conditions, the proposed project footprint, and the surrounding land uses, development of this project will not hinder the formation of a future preserve system.

Conclusion

After consideration of the above facts, the proposed project is found to be in conformance with the Multiple Species Conservation Program and the Biological Mitigation Ordinance. No take authorization for incidental or deliberate impacts to state or federally listed species is granted with this determination. While no impacts to listed species are anticipated based on staff's review of the project, the applicant is responsible for ensuring that none occur and/or appropriate authorization has been obtained.

Attachment E – Photo-Simulations, Geographic Service Area Maps, and Alternative Site Analysis



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PHOTOSIMULATION VIEWPOINT 1

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BU 816220
2563 GROVE STREET
SAN DIEGO, CA 91950

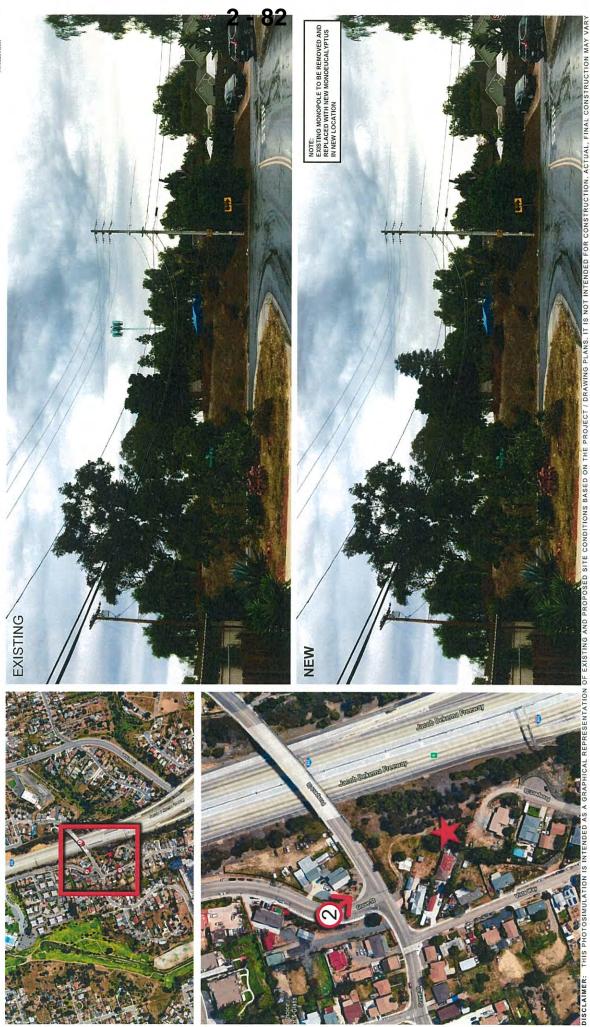






PHOTOSIMULATION VIEWPOINT 2

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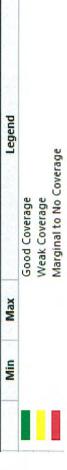


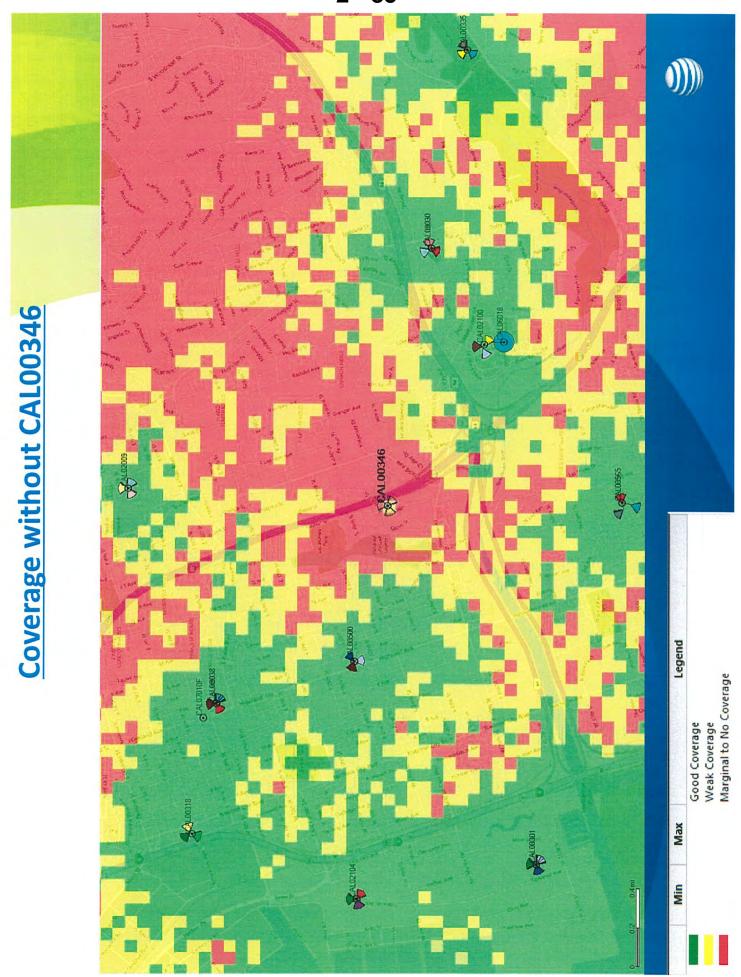












Crown Castle Project: Las Palmas

Existing Site Location Description

Record ID: PDS2018-MUP-91-026W3

Crown Castle submitted an application to modify an existing wireless telecommunications facility, in accordance with the County of San Diego's amortization schedule. The subject site is an existing wireless telecommunications facility that was previously approved by the County of San Diego. Removal of this site would result in a gap in coverage for the carrier, as shown in the coverage maps. Since the existing facility can meet the area's objective goals for Crown Castle/Carriers, continuing to utilize this location is preferred.

Pursuing a new location would require extensive site acquisition and RF Engineering efforts in identifying, contacting, and negotiating with different properties. In addition to the extensive amount of time it would take to identify, entitle, permit, and construct a new facility, the cost would represent an unnecessary burden for Crown Castle. Also, the relocation to a new property could result in the redundancy of equipment during and for a short time after construction, to ensure that members of the community could continue to utilize the wireless network without interruption.

It is for these reasons that Crown Castle is requesting to continue using the existing facility's location.

In response to the County's request for information regarding co-location potential, Crown Castle has attempted to identify other wireless telecommunications facilities located within a one-quarter (1/4) mile radius of the site. No other such facilities were found. The next closest facilities are approximately 1/3 miles away, which is too far for them to be viable alternatives. Those site locations are listed below.

Alternate Site #1 (Existing monopole)

Address: 2909 Shelby Drive, National City, CA 91950

 Located approx. 0.3 miles from existing site. Too far away to be a suitable alternative to existing site.

Alternate Site #2 (Existing monotree)

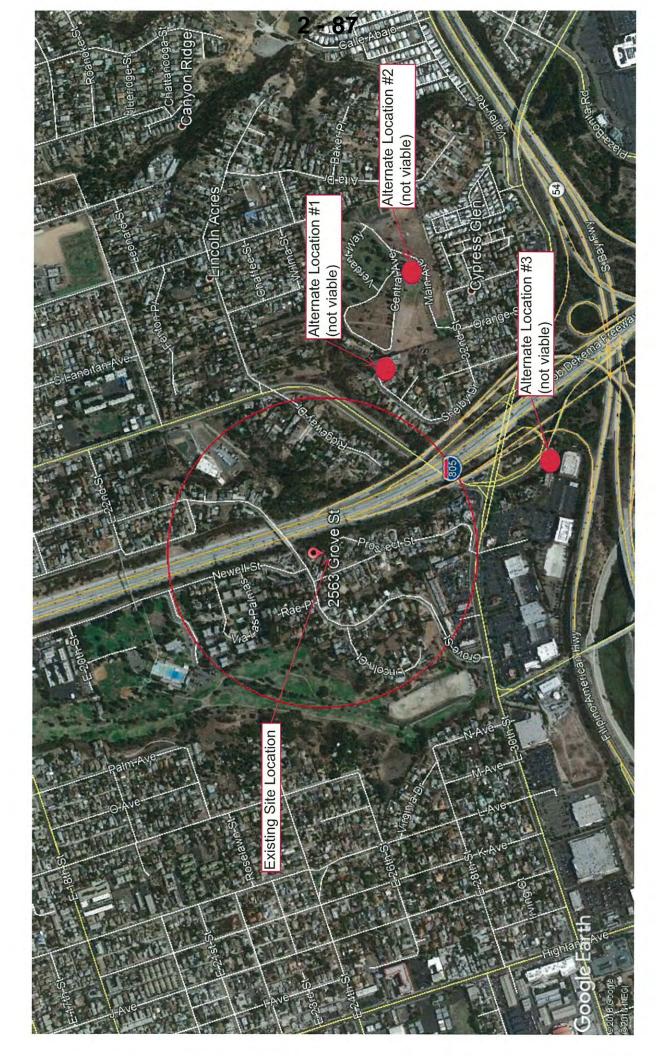
Address: 3191 Orange Street, National City, CA 91950

 Located approx. 0.3 miles from existing site. Too far away to be a suitable alternative to existing site.

Alternate Site #3 (Existing commercial sign)

Address: Corner of Sweetwater Road & Euclid Avenue, National City, CA 91950

Located approx. 0.3 miles from existing site. Too far away to be a suitable alternative to
existing site.



Attachment F – Ownership Disclosure



County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services

APPLICANT'S DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTERESTS ON APPLICATION FOR ZONING PERMITS/ APPROVALS

ZONING DIVISION

Record ID(s) PDS2018-MUP-91-026W2	
	essor's Parcel Number(s) <u>563-063-30-00 & 563-063-31-00</u>
Ordi disc auth	nance No. 4544 (N.S.) requires that the following information must be disclosed at the time of filing of this retionary permit. The application shall be signed by all owners of the property subject to the application or the lorized agent(s) of the owner(s), pursuant to Section 7017 of the Zoning Ordinance. NOTE : Attach additional es if necessary.
A.	List the names of all persons having any ownership interest in the property involved.
ž	Paula Financial Services, Inc.
	If any person identified pursuant to (A) above is a corporation or partnership, list the names of all individuals owning more than 10% of the shares in the corporation or owning any partnership interest in the partnership.
	If any person identified pursuant to (A) above is a non-profit organization or a trust, list the names of any persons serving as director of the non-profit organization or as trustee or beneficiary or trustor of the trust.
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jo a	<i>IOTE:</i> Section 1127 of The Zoning Ordinance defines <u>Person</u> as: "Any individual, firm, copartnership, bint venture, association, social club, fraternal organization, corporation, estate, trust, receiver syndicate, this and other county, city and county, city, municipality, district or other political subdivision, or any other roup or combination acting as a unit."
	OFFICIAL USE ONLY
Sign	ature of Applicant
Dai	Richard (on behalf of Crown Castle)
Print	Name 9-25-19
Date	

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