

Hearing Officer Transmittal Checklist

Hearing Date
6/21/2016
Agenda Item No.
4

Project Number: R2015-02353-(5)
Case(s): Conditional Use Permit No. 201500095
Environmental Assessment Case No. 201500161
Planner: Carl Nadela

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Reviewed By: Michel R. Bush



Department of Regional Planning
 320 West Temple Street
 Los Angeles, California 90012

PROJECT NUMBER **HEARING DATE**
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REQUESTED ENTITLEMENTS
 RCUP 201500095
 RENV 201500161

PROJECT SUMMARY

OWNER / APPLICANT

Verizon Wireless

MAP/EXHIBIT DATE

5/19/2016

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit for a new Wireless Telecommunication Facility disguised as a mono-eucalyptus tree in the parking lot of an existing church rectory.

LOCATION

2949 Lincoln Ave, Altadena

ACCESS

Lincoln Ave

ASSESSORS PARCEL NUMBER(S)

5829-025-045

SITE AREA

0.8 ac

GENERAL PLAN / LOCAL PLAN

ALTADENA COMMUNITY PLAN

ZONED DISTRICT

ALTADENA

LAND USE DESIGNATION

LD (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL)

ZONE

R-1-7500 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE WITH A MINIMUM LOT AREA OF 7,500 SQ FT)

PROPOSED UNITS

N/A

MAX DENSITY/UNITS

6 DU/GROSS AC

COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT

ALTADENA

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION (CEQA)

Class 3 Categorical Exemption-New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

KEY ISSUES

- Consistency with the Altadena Community Plan
- Satisfaction of the following Section(s) of Title 22 of the Los Angeles County Zoning Code:
 - 22.56.040 (Conditional Use Permit Burden of Proof)
 - 22.20.070-22.20.150 (R-1 Zone Requirements and Development Standards)
 - 22.44.127 (Altadena Community Standards District)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Continuance or Denial

CASE PLANNER:

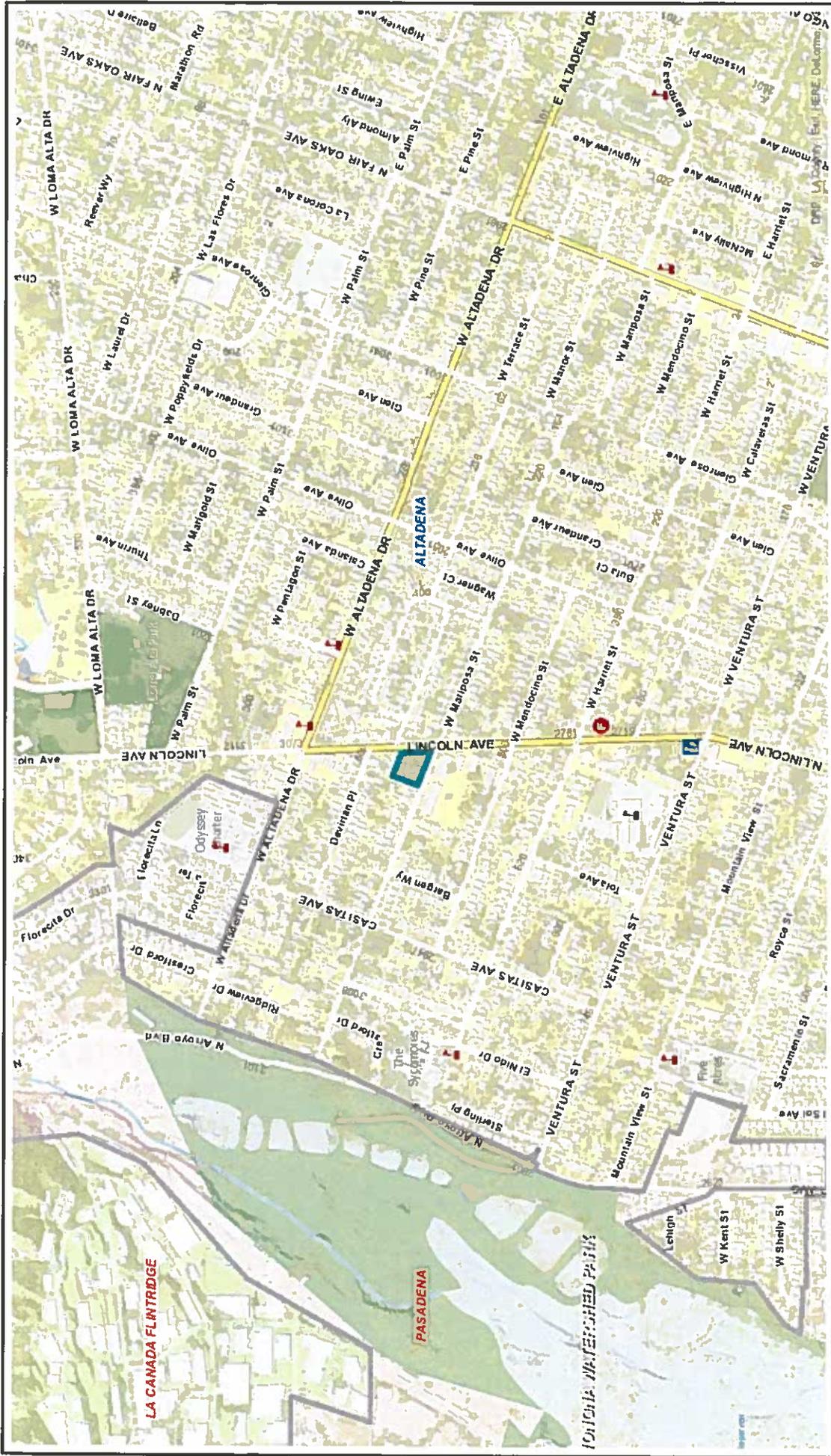
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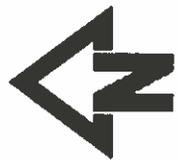


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Property Location Map

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ENTITLEMENTS REQUESTED

- The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit for a new Wireless Telecommunication Facility (WTF) disguised as a eucalyptus tree in the parking lot of an existing church rectory.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit for a new WTF disguised as a eucalyptus tree. The facility will have a total height of 49 feet with the center of the antennas at a height of 41 feet. The facility includes 4 sectors with four antennas in each sector as well as two equipment cabinets and a 15 kw diesel standby generator. The whole lease area will be enclosed by a 6 foot high wrought-iron fence with a 4 feet wide access gate.

The proposed WTF is located in the parking lot of an existing church/rectory located at the southeastern portion of the property. The proposed facility will be located adjacent to an existing WTF disguised as a palm tree maintained and operated by Sprint on the same site.

EXISTING ZONING

The subject property is zoned R-1-7500 (Single Family Residence with a Minimum Lot Size of 7,500 square feet).

Surrounding properties are zoned as follows:

- North: R-1-7500, C-2 (Neighborhood Business), R-3 (Limited Density Multiple Residence)
- South: R-1-7500
- East: R-1-7500
- West: R-1-7500

EXISTING LAND USES

The subject property is developed with a convent/rectory and a number of parking spaces associated with an existing church and school located across the street to the south.

Surrounding properties are developed as follows:

- North: Single family residences, commercial uses
- South: Church, single-family residences
- East: Single-family residences
- West: Single-family residences

PREVIOUS CASES/ZONING HISTORY

Ordinance No. 1494 was adopted on September 12, 1927, which created the Altadena Zoned District and established the R-1 zone on the subject property.

Zone Exception Case 1041 was approved on February 2, 1944 to establish a church and school on the R-1 property immediately to the south of the subject property.

Ordinance 5541 was adopted on May 9, 1950, which established the R-1-7500 zone on the subject property.

Zone Exception Case 2063 was approved on June 6, 1955, which authorized additions and expansions to an existing convent at the site.

Zone Exception Case 5341 was approved on November 12, 1959, which authorized additions to the existing church and school on the property to the south.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Los Angeles County ("County") Staff recommends that this project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption (Class 3 Exemption, New Construction or Conversion or Small Structures) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the County environmental guidelines. The Class 3 Exemption allows for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. This project is for the installation of a new WTF disguised as a eucalyptus tree with associated equipment. The antennas and equipment to be installed are small and limited in number. Therefore, staff recommends that the Hearing Officer determine that the project is categorically exempt from CEQA.

STAFF EVALUATION

General Plan/Community Plan Consistency

The project site is designated as LD (Low Density Residential) by the Altadena Community Plan ("Community Plan"), a component of the Los Angeles Countywide General Plan ("General Plan"). This designation corresponds to common suburban tract residential development and the purpose of this designation is to preserve single-family neighborhoods. The convent/rectory at the site has been in existence for many years. The proposed WTF in the parking area of this underlying use can be consistent with this designation provided it is adequately screened and camouflaged.

The following policies of the General Plan are applicable to the proposed project:

- *Policy 54: Promote the full use of existing service systems in order to gain maximum benefit from previous investment.*

The proposed WTF has direct access to existing transportation infrastructure and public utilities to service the facility, and will not require the addition of any new public utilities or infrastructure.

- *Policy 57: Improve the quality and accessibility of critical urban services including crime control, health, recreational and educational services.*
- *Policy 58: Maintain high quality emergency response services.*

The proposed WTF will provide wireless phone service to the neighborhood and to the nearby roadways, which is often used to make emergency calls. The project will ensure that such service will continue to be available to the residents, workers and commuters in the area.

The following goals and policies of the Community Plan are applicable to the proposed project:

- *Issue 1, Policy 1: Preserve existing residential neighborhoods, commercial districts, community facilities, institutions, and environmental amenities.*
- *Issue 1, Policy 2: Provide for new development which is compatible with and complements existing uses.*

The proposed wireless will be located in the parking lot of an existing church/convent and will be disguised as a eucalyptus tree. As such, it will complement the existing uses in the area and will not substantially alter the general character of the neighborhood.

- *Issue 3, Policy 3: Attract new commercial uses to the Altadena community which are necessary to support the needs of the residents and are not unavailable.*

One of the requirements that commercial businesses look for in deciding where to locate is the availability of a comprehensive and reliable wireless telecommunication network in the area. This project helps provide that service and thus will make the area more attractive to commercial business establishments in the future.

Zoning Ordinance and Development Standards Compliance

Wireless telecommunications facilities are not a recognized use in the Zoning Code. However, the use that is most closely related to a wireless telecommunication facility in the Zoning Code is a radio or television tower. Pursuant to Section 22.20.100 of the Zoning Code, radio and television towers are permitted in the R-1 Zone provided a conditional use permit has first been obtained and while such permit is in full force and effect in conformity with the conditions of such permit. The approval of this application will satisfy this requirement.

For uses where the parking requirements are not specified in the Zoning Code, Section 22.52.1220 stipulates that parking shall be provided in an amount which the director finds adequate to prevent traffic congestion and excessive on-street parking. The proposed WTF is unmanned and will only require periodic maintenance visits. There are ample parking spaces available in the currently unused parking lot of the existing rectory to accommodate the necessary routine maintenance vehicles for this facility.

The proposed WTF also does not result in any outdoor display or storage and does not remove any required parking spaces or landscaping. Also, the proposed WTF is exempt from the height restrictions of the R-1 Zone.

Site Visits

A site visit was conducted by staff on November 12, 2015. The site was clean and well maintained. A number of school buses were parked on the property, but otherwise, the parking lot was not being used.

Burden of Proof

The applicant is required to substantiate all facts identified by Section 22.56.2100 of the County Code, as well as Subdivision and Zoning Ordinance Policy No. 01-2010. The Burden of Proof with applicant's responses is attached. Also attached are additional information provided by the applicant at the request of staff including a more detailed alternative site and design analysis.

Staff is of the opinion that the applicant has met the burden of proof requirements, except for the requirement to show that the applicant has undertaken and completed a good-faith effort to co-locate the proposed facility on the site of another such facility on the same location.

There is an existing Sprint facility on the same site, but the applicant is proposing a second, new wireless facility at the site. The applicant has indicated that a co-location is not feasible since with a co-location, the Verizon antennas would need to be at a height that would start interfering with neighboring Verizon sites. Staff is of the opinion that while it is true that there is some interference at that height, it is not significantly different from the interference between other existing and/or approved sites. Staff believes that the applicant can sufficiently achieve its desired coverage objectives with a co-location with Sprint at the site.

Neighborhood Impact/Land Use Compatibility

The subject property consists of an existing convent/rectory and appurtenant parking lot associated with an existing church and school across the street. Surrounding land uses consist of predominantly single family residences. The proposed eucalyptus tree design of the facility and the screening of the equipment area make the project consistent and compatible with the surrounding community.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Comments regarding the project were not solicited from other County Departments and no comments were received.

LEGAL NOTIFICATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22.60.174 and 22.60.175 of the County Code, the community was appropriately notified of the public hearing by mail, newspaper, library posting and DRP website posting. The noticed agenda item was previously continued on November 17, 2015, January 5, 2016 and March 21, 2016 without the public hearing being opened.

Prior to the hearing, the applicant has also attended a number of community meetings and has redesigned the project to address some of the concerns raised by the community as well as by staff. This includes the redesign of the project from an originally proposed mono-palm to the new, proposed mono-eucalyptus tree facility.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Staff received three emails from the community opposing this project, as well as another proposed mono-eucalyptus tree by Verizon located at 2561 Fair Oaks Avenue. Staff also received two petitions opposing both projects. The first petition contained 27 signatures from the residents of the area and the second petition contained the signatures from the first petition as well as 30 signatures from parents of children attending the Pasadena Waldorf School. Both petitions indicate their opposition to new cell phone towers in the neighborhood of Altadena as well as near their children's schools in Altadena or Pasadena. The cover email of the petition also raised the issue of over concentration of cell phone towers in the area which was the historically lower income side of Altadena.

Staff received a formal letter from the Altadena Town Council dated December 23, 2015, indicating their recommendation of denial for the project. Reasons cited were that the area is primarily surrounded by a residential area and that there is already an existing cell tower on the same location which would increase the concentration of towers in the area and thereby increase the aesthetics and noise impacts to an acceptable level. The letter also indicated that a large number of residents made public comments citing potential health impacts of radio frequency emissions as well as the reasons stated above as their reason for opposing the project. However, as per federal law, these were not considered in the analysis of this permit.

FEES/DEPOSITS

If approved, fees identified in the attached project conditions will apply unless modified by the Hearing Officer.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The following recommendation is made prior to the public hearing and is subject to change based upon testimony and/or documentary evidence presented at the public hearing:

Staff recommends **CONTINUANCE** of the item and direct the applicant to redesign the project to reflect a co-location with the existing Sprint facility at the site or **DENIAL** of Project Number R2015-02353-(5), Conditional Use Permit Number 201500095 for failing to meet the required burden of proof for a wireless telecommunication facility.

SUGGESTED CONTINUANCE MOTION:

I, THE HEARING OFFICER, CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 201500095 AND DIRECT THE APPLICANT TO REDESIGN THE PROJECT TO REFLECT A COLOCATION WITH THE EXISTING SPRINT FACILITY AT THE SITE.

ALTERNATIVE DENIAL MOTION:

I, THE HEARING OFFICER, CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, FIND THAT THE PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PURSUANT TO STATE AND LOCAL CEQA GUIDELINES, AND DENY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 201500095 PURSUANT TO THE ATTACHED FINDINGS.

Prepared by Carl Nadela, AICP, Zoning Permits East Section
Reviewed by Michele Bush, Principal Regional Planner (Acting Section Head), Zoning Permits East

Attachments:
Draft Findings, Draft Conditions of Approval
Applicant's Burden of Proof statement
Correspondence
Site Photographs, Aerial Image
Site Plan, Land Use Map

MB:CN
6/16/2016

**DRAFT FINDINGS OF THE HEARING OFFICER
AND ORDER
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
PROJECT NO. R2015-02353-(5)
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 201500095**

1. The Los Angeles County ("County") Hearing Officer conducted a duly-noticed public hearing in the matter of Conditional Use Permit No. 201500095 ("CUP") on June 21, 2016.
2. The permittee, Verizon Wireless ("permittee"), requests the CUP to authorize a new Wireless Telecommunication Facility (WTF) disguised as a eucalyptus tree in the parking lot of an existing church rectory ("Project") on a property located at 2949 Lincoln Avenue in the unincorporated community of Altadena ("Project Site") in the R-1-7500 Zone pursuant to Los Angeles County Code ("County Code") section 22.20.100.
3. The Project Site is 0.8 acres in size and consists of one legal lot. The Project Site is mostly rectangular in shape with flat topography and is developed with a rectory and a spill over parking area.
4. The Project Site is located in the Altadena Zoned District and is currently zoned as R-1-7500 (Single Family Residence with a Minimum Lot Area of 7,500 square feet).
5. The Project Site is located within the LD (Low Density Residential) land use category of the Altadena Community Plan Land Use Policy Map.
6. Surrounding Zoning within a 500-foot radius includes:
 - North: R-1-7500, C-2 (Neighborhood Business), R-3 (Limited Density Multiple Residence)
 - South: R-1-7500
 - East: R-1-7500
 - West: R-1-7500
7. Surrounding land uses within a 500-foot radius include:
 - North: Single family residences, various commercial uses
 - South: Church, single-family residences
 - East: Single-family residences
 - West: Single-family residences
8. Ordinance No. 1494 was adopted on September 12, 1927, which created the Altadena Zoned District and established the R-1 zone on the subject property.

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9. The site plan for the Project depicts the subject property with access from Lincoln Avenue. It shows the existing rectory building and associated spillover parking lot. It also shows the location of the proposed Verizon WTF, as well as the existing Sprint WTF at the site.
10. The Project Site is accessible via Lincoln Ave to the east.
11. The site plan indicates the spillover parking areas for the rectory. These provide ample parking spaces to serve the parking needs for the regular maintenance activities needed for the WTF located at the site.
12. Three other alternative sites were considered for the project, particularly near the intersection of Lincoln Avenue and Altadena Drive, where there is a cluster of commercial uses. These alternative sites were deemed infeasible since they were to the north of where the facility needs to be located in order to address the significant gap in coverage.
13. Wireless phone coverage maps indicate that this facility is necessary to ensure that there are no gaps in wireless phone coverage in the area.
14. A Network Justification Statement dated May 18, 2016 by Amanda Lam, Radio Frequency Design engineer, was prepared and submitted for the site indicating the reasons why a co-location with the existing Sprint facility at the site was not feasible, according to the applicant.
15. Prior to the Hearing Officer's public hearing on the Project, Regional Planning staff determined that the Project qualified for a Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, categorical exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000, et seq.) ("CEQA"), the State CEQA Guidelines, and the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines for the County, because the faux-tree, antennas and equipment proposed to be installed by the Project are small and limited in scale and impacts.
16. Pursuant to the provisions of sections 22.60.174 and 22.60.175 of the Zoning Code, the community was appropriately notified of the Project's public hearings by mail, newspaper, and property posting.
17. Prior to the hearing, the applicant has also attended a number of community meetings and has redesigned the project to address some of the concerns raised by

concerns raised by the community as well as by staff. This includes the redesign of the project from an originally proposed mono-palm to the new, proposed mono-eucalyptus tree facility.

18. Staff received three emails from the community opposing this project, as well as another proposed mono-palm by Verizon located at 2949 Lincoln Avenue. Staff also received two petitions opposing both projects. The first petition contained 27 signatures from the residents of the area and the second petition contained the signatures from the first petition as well as 30 signatures from parents of children attending the Pasadena Waldorf School. Both petitions indicate their opposition to new cell phone towers in the neighborhood of Altadena as well as near their children's schools in Altadena or Pasadena. The cover email of the petition also raised the issue of over concentration of cell phone towers in the area which was the historically lower income side of Altadena.

19. *To be inserted after the public hearing to reflect hearing proceedings.*

20. The Hearing Officer finds that the WTF and accessory equipment, are consistent with the LD (Low Density Residential) land use category of the Altadena Community Plan.

This purpose of this category is to maintain existing single-family residential. The proposed WTF will be disguised as a eucalyptus tree which will ensure that the existing predominantly residential character of the surrounding neighborhood is maintained. The proposed WTF also supports several of the policies of this Plan and is therefore consistent with the underlying land use designation of the Community Plan.

21. The Hearing Officer finds that the WTF and accessory equipment are consistent with the requirements of the R-1 Zone. Pursuant to Section 22.20.100 of the Zoning Code, radio and television towers are permitted in the R-1 Zone provided a conditional use permit has first been obtained and while such permit is in full force and effect in conformity with the conditions of such permit. If approved, this conditional use permit will satisfy this requirement.

22. The Hearing Officer finds that the proposed project does not meet the Conditional Use Permit Burden of Proof requirements pursuant to section 22.56.040 of the County Code and Subdivision and Zoning Ordinance Policy No. 01-2010.

The applicant is required to substantiate all facts identified by Section 22.56.040 of the County Code, as well as Subdivision and Zoning Ordinance Policy No. 01-2010. The applicant has satisfactorily justified the selection of the project site for the proposed facility, but has not submitted sufficient proof to show that the applicant has undertaken and completed a good-faith effort to co-locate the proposed facility on the site of another such facility on the same location. There is an existing Sprint facility on the same site as the proposed Verizon facility and the applicant has not submitted adequate justification as to why co-locating the proposed facility with the existing one is not feasible.

23. The Hearing Officer finds that the requested use at this location will not adversely affect the health, peace, comfort or welfare of persons residing, working or commuting in the area, will not be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site, and will not jeopardize, endanger or otherwise constitute a menace to the health, safety or general welfare of the public.

The WTF provides necessary wireless telecommunication service to the area that helps promote the safety, security and general welfare of the residents, workers and commuters in the area. Furthermore, being designed as a faux-eucalyptus tree and located in the middle of an existing parking lot, the WTF is of adequate distance and camouflaging from public areas.

24. The Hearing Officer finds that the proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the yards, walls, fences, parking and loading facilities, landscaping and other development features prescribed in this Title 22, or as is otherwise required in order to integrate said use with the uses in the surrounding area.

The project site is approximately 0.8 acres with an unused spillover parking lot which easily accommodates the proposed WTF. The WTF is adequately disguised and set back from public areas.

25. The Hearing Officer finds that the proposed site is adequately served by highways or streets of sufficient width and improved as necessary to carry the kind and quantity of traffic such use would generate, and by other public or private service facilities as are required. The proposed site is adequately served by public utilities as required by the proposed use.

The existing rectory, as well as the WTF, are directly adjacent to Lincoln Avenue and W. Mariposa St, major roadways, and have access to energy and other public utilities.

26. The Hearing Officer finds that pursuant to sections 22.60.174 and 22.60.175 of the County Code, the community was properly notified of the public hearing by mail, newspaper, and property posting. Additionally, the Project was noticed and case materials were available on Regional Planning's website and at the Altadena Library at 600 E. Mariposa St., Altadena, CA 91001. On October 6, 2015, a total of 361 Notices of Public Hearing were mailed to all property owners as identified on the County Assessor's record within a 1,000-foot radius from the Project Site, as well as 4 notices to those on the courtesy mailing list for the Altadena Zoned District and to any additional interested parties. The noticed agenda item was previously continued on November 17, 2015, January 5, 2016 and March 21, 2016 without the public hearing being opened.

27. The location of the documents and other materials constituting the record of proceedings upon which the Hearing Officer's decision is based in this matter is at the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning, 13th Floor, Hall of

Records, 320 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012. The custodian of such documents and materials shall be the Section Head of the Zoning Permits East Section, Department of Regional Planning.

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, THE HEARING OFFICER CONCLUDES THAT:

- A. The proposed use with appropriate conditions will be consistent with the adopted General Plan and the Altadena Community Plan.
- B. The proposed use at the site will not adversely affect the health, peace, comfort or welfare of persons residing or working in the surrounding area, will not be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site, and will not jeopardize, endanger or otherwise constitute a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare.
- C. The proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the yards, walls, fences, parking and loading facilities, landscaping and other development features prescribed in this Title 22, or as is otherwise required in order to integrate said use with the uses in the surrounding area.
- D. The proposed site is adequately served by highways or streets of sufficient width and improved as necessary to carry the kind and quantity of traffic such use would generate, and by other public or private service facilities as are required.
- E. The applicant has not undertaken and completed a good-faith effort to co-locate the proposed facility on the site of an existing facility on the same property.

THEREFORE, THE HEARING OFFICER:

- 1. Finds that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to section 15303 of the State CEQA Guidelines (Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption); and
- 2. Denies Conditional Use Permit No. 201500095.

ACTION DATE: June 21, 2016

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6/16/2016

c: Zoning Enforcement, Building and Safety



Los Angeles County
Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT BURDEN OF PROOF

Pursuant to Zoning Code Section 22.56.040, the applicant shall substantiate the following:

(Do not repeat the statement or provide Yes/No responses. If necessary, attach additional pages.)

A. That the requested use at the location will not:

1. Adversely affect the health, peace, comfort or welfare of persons residing or working in the surrounding area, or
2. Be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site, or
3. Jeopardize, endanger or otherwise constitute a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare.

SEE ATTACHED

B. That the proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the yards, walls, fences, parking and loading facilities, landscaping and other development features prescribed in this Title 22, or as is otherwise required in order to integrate said use with the uses in the surrounding area.

SEE ATTACHED

C. That the proposed site is adequately served:

1. By highways or streets of sufficient width, and improved as necessary to carry the kind and quantity of traffic such use would generate, and
2. By other public or private service facilities as are required.

see attached

**CUP-Burden of Proof
Verizon "LOMA ALTA"
2949 Lincoln Avenue**

A. That the requested use at the location proposed will not:

- 1. Adversely affect the health, peace, comfort or welfare of persons residing or working in the surrounding area, or**

After comparison of other potential site locations in the surrounding area, the project site at 2949 Lincoln Avenue offered the most desirable location in the interest of health, peace, comfort, and welfare of persons residing or working in the surrounding area. The proposed project design and location will have only positive effects on the community in that the project will provide access to reliable wireless telecommunications services for Verizon customers. Reliable access to wireless services is necessary in times of emergencies, for business use, and convenient for personal and family use. The proposed use of a "mono-palm" design will allow the facility to provide reliable wireless services without being unsightly or causing adverse impacts to persons residing or working in the surrounding area. The County has already determined that the location will not adversely affect the health, peace, comfort or welfare of persons residing or working in the surrounding area in that the County has previously approved a similar facility on the same property.

- 2. Be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site, or**

The proposed project will not be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site in that the proposed facility structures and equipment will: (1) be "unmanned"; (2) have a "stealth" appearance using a "mono-palm" design that will blend with existing palm trees and other trees on site and in the surrounding area; and (3) be consistent with the design of a previously approved wireless telecom facility on the same property. The proposed stealth design and strategic location will alleviate any potential adverse impacts to adjacent uses or structures in the vicinity. The County has already determined that the location will not be materially detrimental to the use, enjoyment or valuation of property of other persons located in the vicinity of the site in that the County has previously approved a similar facility on the same property.

- 3. Jeopardize, endanger or otherwise constitute a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare.**

The proposed project will not jeopardize, endanger, or otherwise constitute a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare in that the project will be unmanned and not generate any smoke, odor, noise, or other adverse impacts to the surrounding properties. The proposed use will also have no impact on parking, traffic, circulation or density in the area. The proposed project will also not adversely affect existing viewsheds nor will it adversely affect any scenic or natural vistas. The County has already determined that the location will not jeopardize, endanger or

otherwise constitute a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare in that the County has previously approved a similar facility on the same property.

- B. That the proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the yards, walls, fences, parking and loading facilities, landscaping and other development features prescribed in this Title 22, or as is otherwise required in order to integrate said use with the uses in the surrounding area.**

The proposed site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the yards, walls, fences, parking and loading facilities, landscaping and other development features prescribed in Title 22, or as is otherwise required in order to integrate said use with the uses in the surrounding area in that the proposed project will occupy only about 200 square feet of the existing parcel.

- C. That the proposed site is adequately served:**

- 1. By highways or streets of sufficient width and improved as necessary to carry the kind and quantity of traffic such use would generate, and**

The proposed site is adequately served by highways or streets of sufficient width and improved as necessary to carry the kind and quantity of traffic such use would generate in that the proposed project is unmanned so it generates no traffic above and beyond existing traffic in the area. The project will be accessed via an existing paved driveway access off Lincoln Avenue.

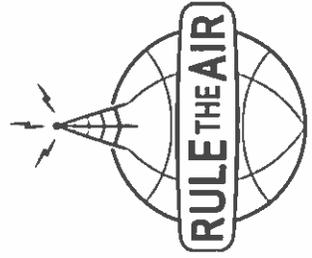
- 2. By other public or private service facilities as are required.**

The proposed site is adequately served by other public or private service facilities as are required in that the proposed project will have access to existing electrical and telephone services in the area. There is adequate electrical and landline telephone service to accommodate the project needs.



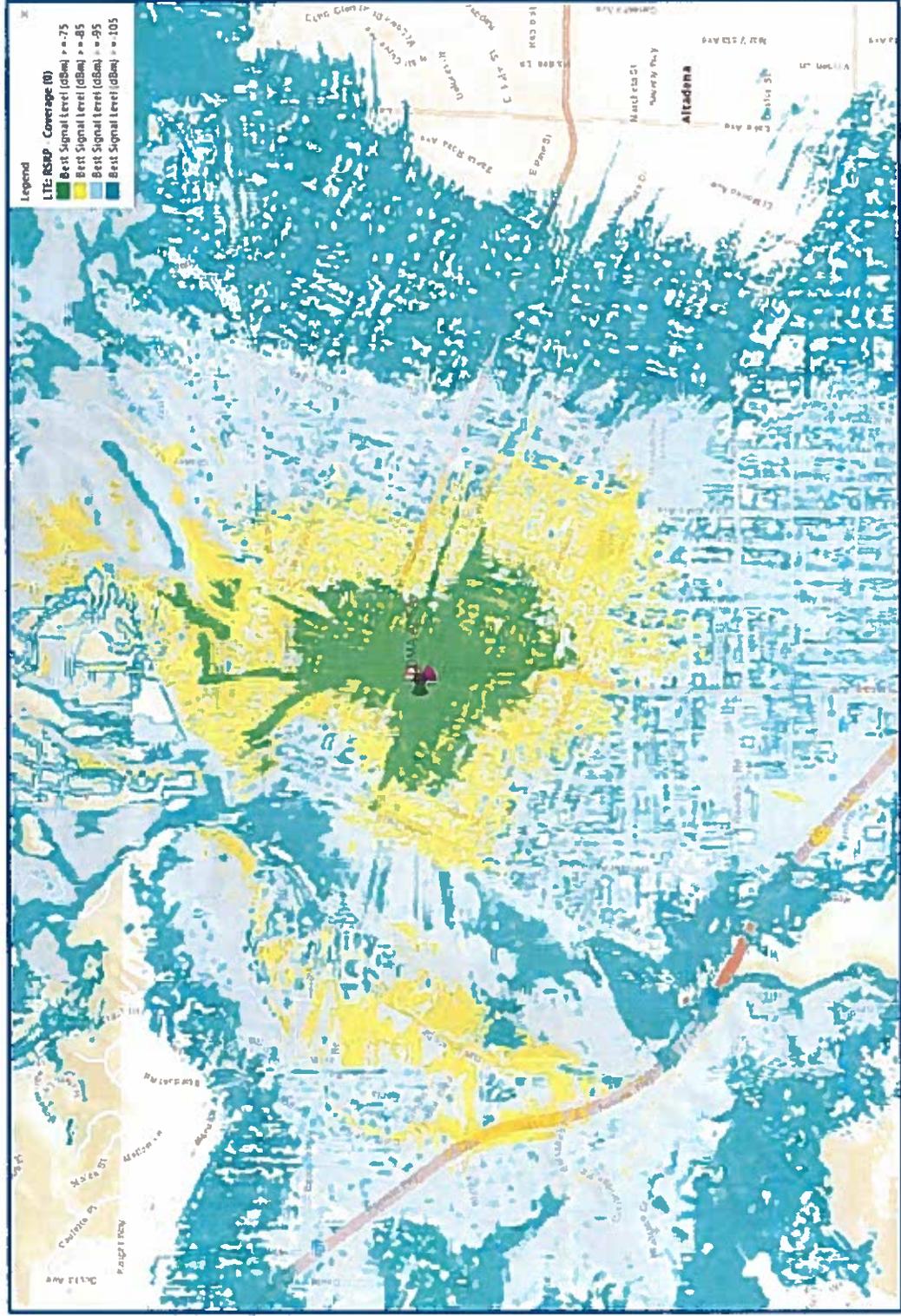
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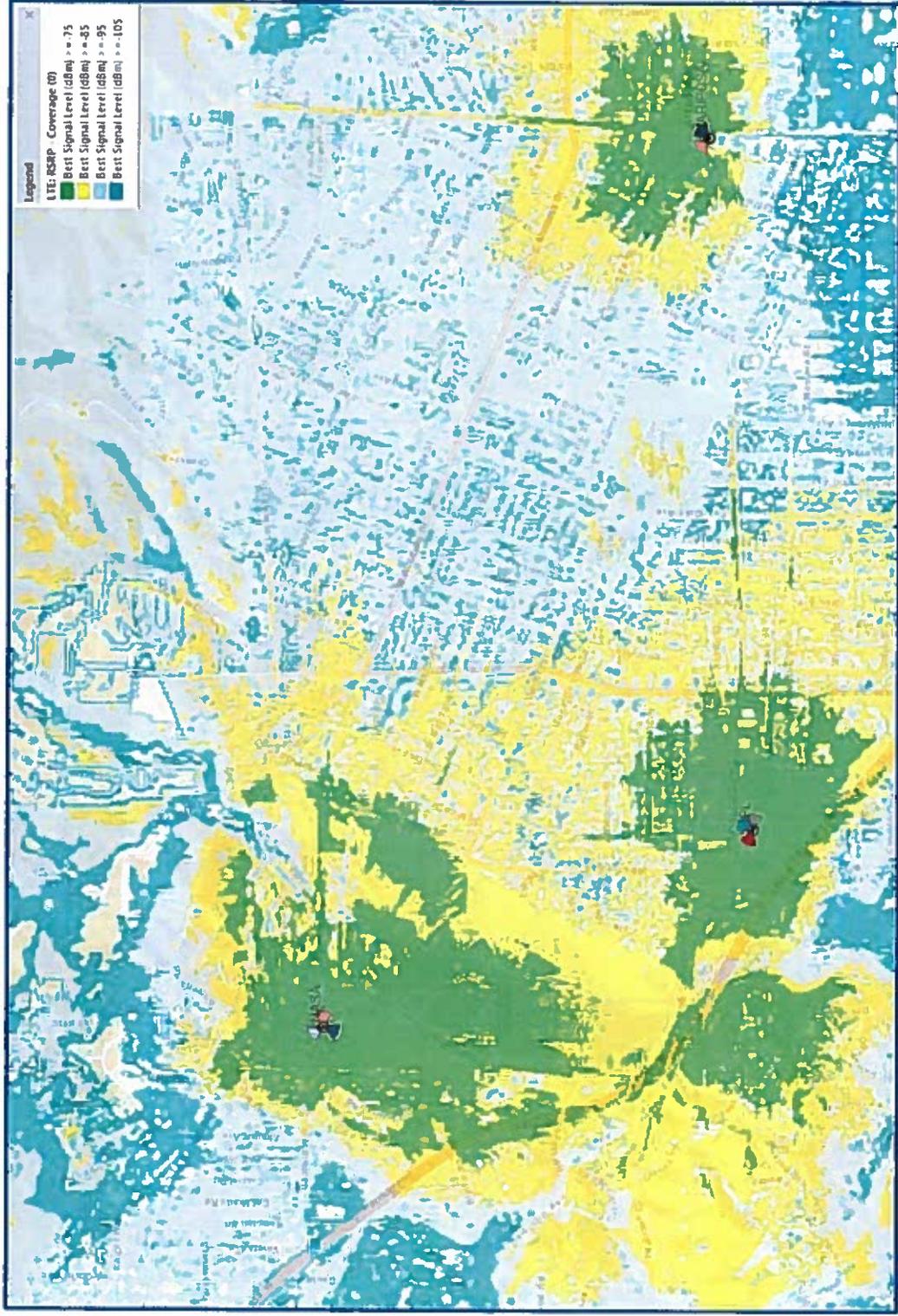


Loma Alta Propagation



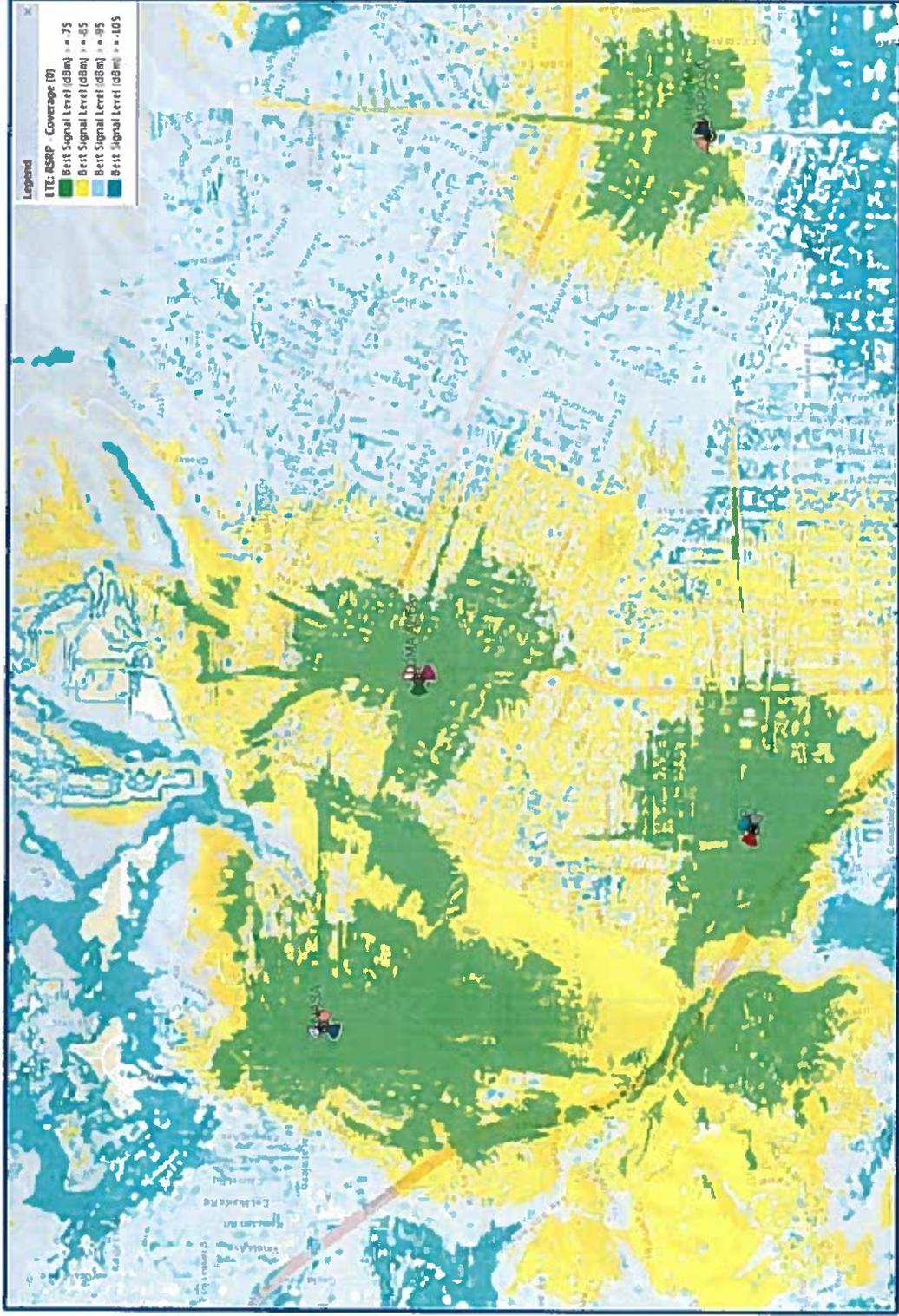


Existing sites without Loma Alta





Existing sites with Loma Alta



Carl Nadela

From: Jerry Ambrose [jc.ambrose@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 8:16 AM
To: Carl Nadela; 'jambrose@wireless01.com'
Subject: Re: R2015-02353 / CUP 201500095 (2949 Lincoln Avenue)
Attachments: VZW Prop Maps (11-3-15).pdf

Hi Carl,

As for **alternatives**, we looked at the following:

Motherland Fashions - 3045 Lincoln Ave. - this is a small commercial property near the intersection of Lincoln Ave. & Altadena Dr. This location would require an approximate 50' high tower that would be highly visible to the public. The high visibility made this location less desirable for zoning than the current location. This location is also north of where the facility needs to be located to address the Significant Gap in coverage.

Lucy's Place - 3025 Lincoln Ave. - this location has the same characteristics as the 3045 Lincoln location - high public visibility/less desirable for land use/zoning purposes/less desirable for addressing the Significant Gap in coverage..

575 W. Altadena Dr. - this is a potential commercial rooftop location at the NE intersection of Altadena Drive & Lincoln Ave. The owner was not interested in leasing space to Verizon. This location is also north of where the facility needs to be located to address the Significant Gap in coverage.

As for the site design, the monopalm design made the most sense as the site has a very dense grouping of tall/wide palm trees along Lincoln & Mariposa. Sprint also has an existing monopalm on site. The County's guidelines recommend faux tree types that are consistent with existing trees on site. Designing the site as a monopine or monoec would not change the technical viability of the facility - we just felt the palm design made the most sense (the "least intrusive" design/option for addressing the Significant Gap).

I've attached updated RF propagation maps that more clearly define the Significant Gap.

**Also, can you please confirm we don't need to attend the hearing tomorrow because it is being continued?

Thank you,

Jerry Ambrose
Wireless 1 Consulting Services, Inc.
3905 State St., Suite 7-188
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

phone: (805) 637-7407
fax: (805) 898-0069
email: jambrose@wireless01.com

From: Carl Nadela
To: "jambrose@wireless01.com"
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 8:30 AM
Subject: RE: R2015-02353 / CUP 201500095 (2949 Lincoln Avenue)

Yup, I did see that in the file. I was hoping that you had a separate document that had more details on it. Anyway, the document mentions several "new tower" locations. Can you specify those addresses, what designs were considered for those sites and the reasons why those sites weren't feasible? Also, with regards to the selected Project Site, can you please talk more about other site designs that have been considered, if any? Basically, I'm trying to beef up this part of the project narrative since it seems like a lot of the concerns from the community has to do with how this project is designed.

Thanks!

Carl Vincent Nadela
Zoning Permits East
Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
213-974-6435

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Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 5:45 PM
To: Carl Nadela; 'Jerry Ambrose'
Cc: Maria Masis
Subject: Re: R2015-02353 / CUP 201500095 (2949 Lincoln Avenue)

Hi Carl,

See last page of attached submitted with application - there are no co-location or rooftop options in the area. This was discussed with the Town Council LU Committee last week.

thanks,

Jerry Ambrose

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From: Carl Nadela <cnadela@planning.lacounty.gov>
To: 'Jerry Ambrose' <jambrose@wireless01.com>
Cc: Maria Masis <mmasis@planning.lacounty.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 9, 2015 5:09 PM
Subject: R2015-02353 / CUP 201500095 (2949 Lincoln Avenue)
Hi Jerry,

I believe you're the applicant for the above project? I just wanted to let you know that this case is being reassigned to me since I'm handling a similar Verizon project in the vicinity (2561 Fair Oaks Ave) and we felt it would be more efficient if both projects were handled by the same planner. Anyway, I've already started reviewing the case and I just had a quick question for now. I was looking for the Alternative Sites Analysis and I couldn't find it in the file or in the CD. Were you able to do that for this project? If so, can you please send that to me as soon as you can?

Thanks!

Carl Vincent Nadela

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Photo-simulations for R2015-02353 / CUP No. 201500095

Existing Site



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Option 2: Bell Tower



Option 3: Bell Tower with Sprint Co-location



Option 4: Mono-eucalyptus tree



Option 5: Mono-pine tree

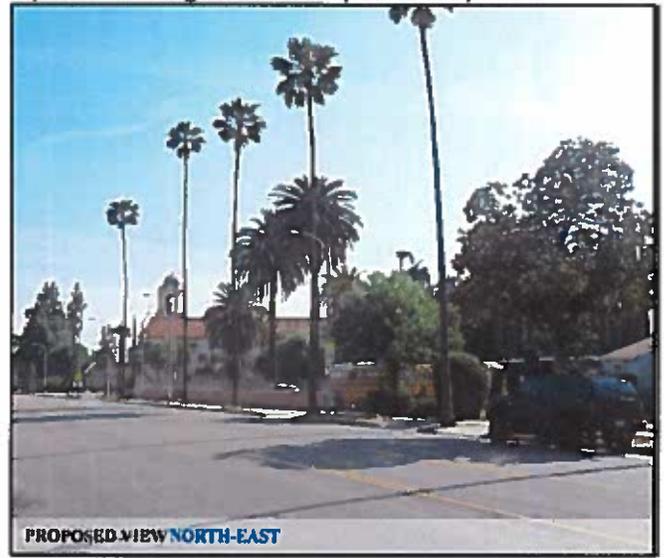


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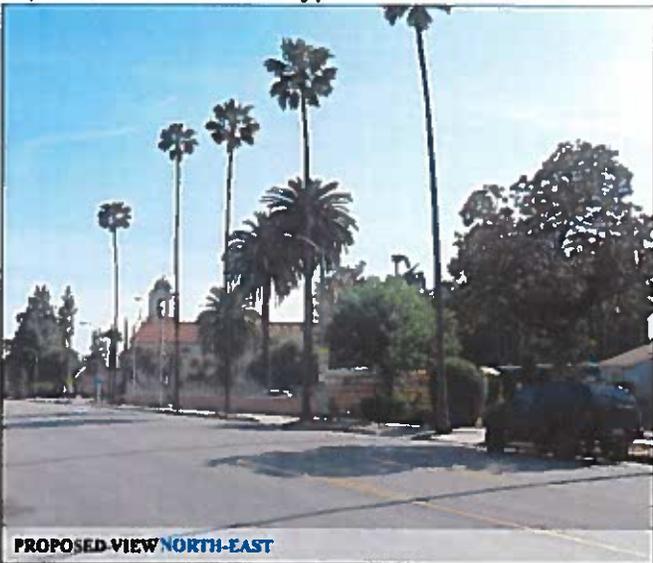
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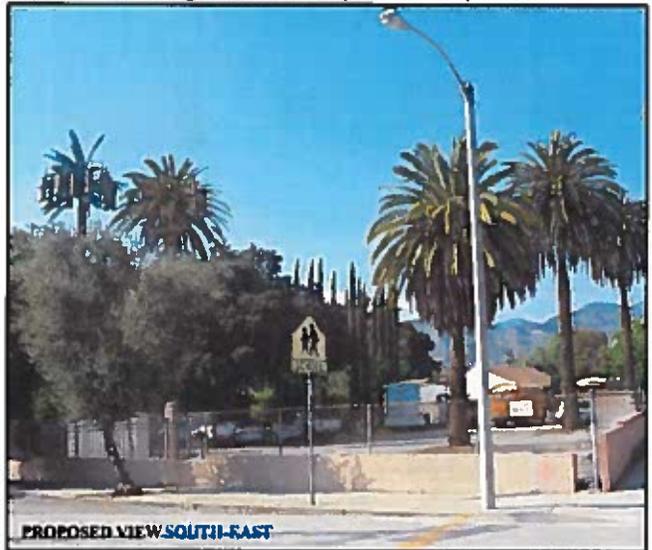


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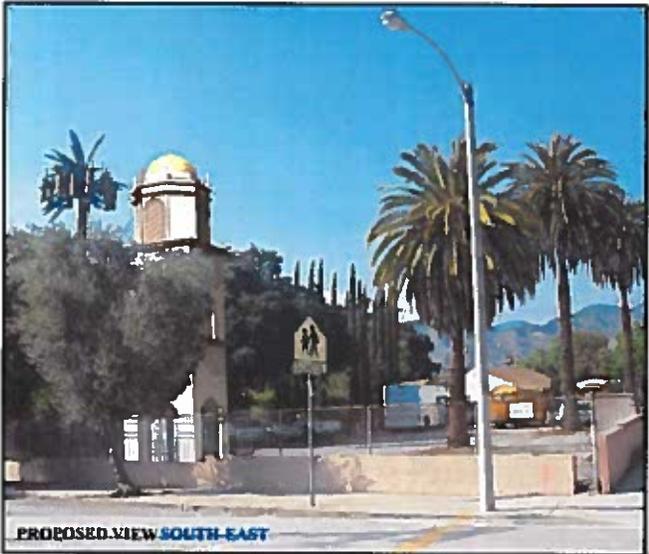
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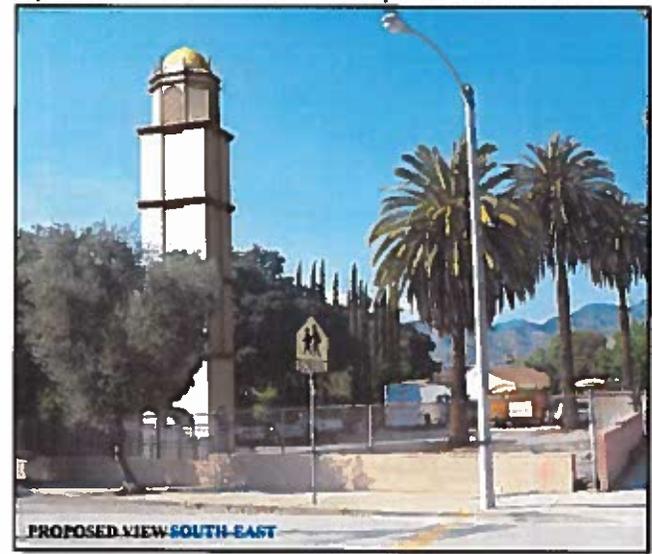
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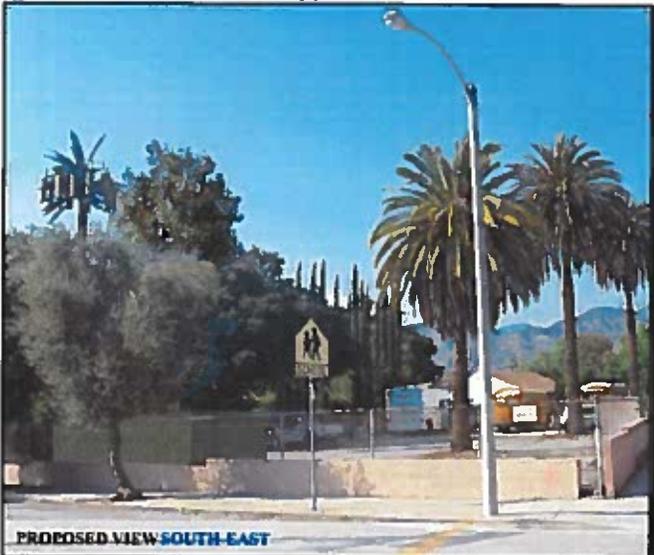
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Verizon Wireless
15505 Sand Canyon Ave.
Building D
Irvine, CA 92618

May 18, 2016

**To: Carl Nadela
Department of Regional Planning
County of Los Angeles**

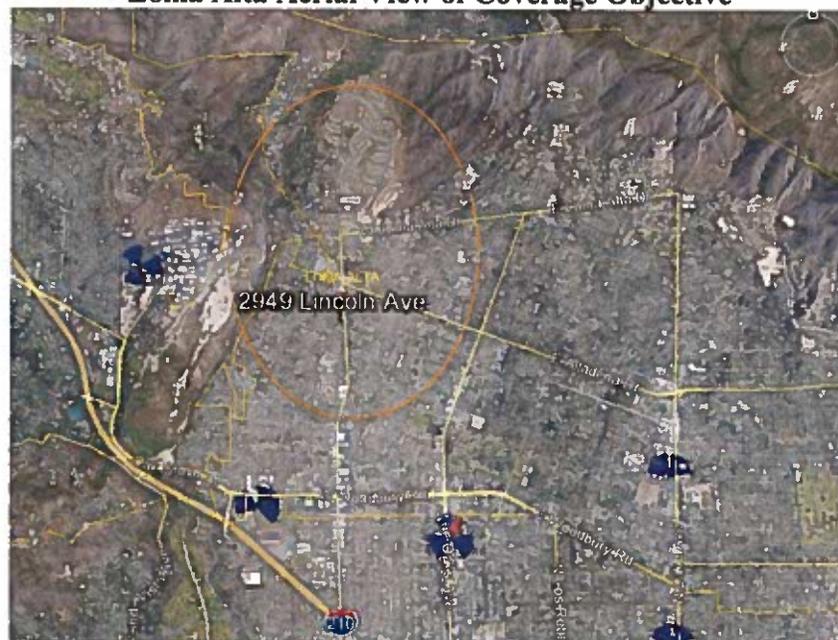
**From: Amanda Lam, Radio Frequency Design Engineer
Verizon Wireless Network Engineering Department**

**Subject: Network Justification Statement for Verizon Wireless Facility
“Loma Alta” 2949 Lincoln Avenue, Altadena, CA 91001
Case: R2015-02353 / CUP 201500095**

Mr. Nadela:

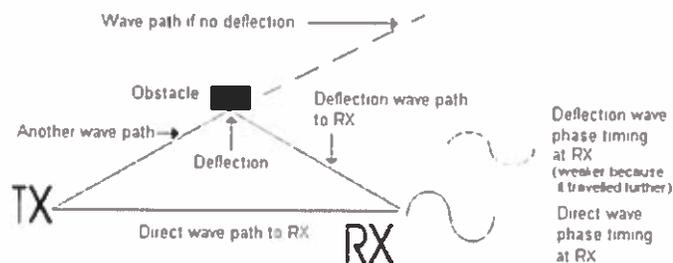
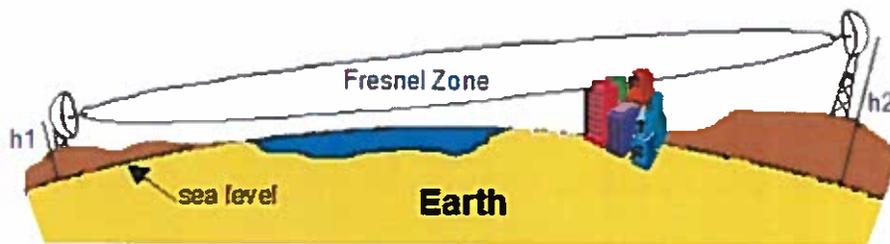
This letter is in reference to our proposed VZW telecommunications facility named “Loma Alta”. The proposed wireless facility “Loma Alta” was initiated to provide much needed Verizon Wireless coverage/service to an approximate 1.3 sq. mile in Altadena stretching south to Mountain View Street, east of Altadena Drive, north of E Woodbury Rd, south of W Loma Alta Dr., and west of Fair Oaks Avenue (as shown in the “Coverage Objective” below). In addition, Loma Alta provides capacity offload for existing VZW sites “JPL” alpha and “Nasa” beta as well as “Tremont” gamma sectors.

Loma Alta Aerial View of Coverage Objective



As in the case of many areas of Los Angeles County, terrain changes is the main source of signal degradation in which the signal is attenuated (absorbed) or deflected versus arriving at customer devices in a direct path (line of site). As illustrated below, the terrain surrounding the coverage objective is primarily what limits the location and acceptable height of the proposed design at 2949 Lincoln Ave. Geographic distance from surrounding VzW sites also affects the project height and location. For this reason, the Loma Alta candidate is located approximately 1.03 miles from existing “JPL” and “Nasa” sites, about 1.20 miles from the “Tremont” site, and about .75 miles from the “Jane’s Village” site. The antennas must have a height that will generally be clear of obstructions but yet not too high so that the radio signal will not interfere with the surrounding sites. In this case, the centerline of the antenna must not be lower than 41 feet and cannot be higher than 50 feet in order to provide sufficient coverage while controlling radio signal propagation and avoiding interference with the surrounding sites. (Verizon sites)

Direct radio waves travel in a straight line from the transmitter (Tx) to the receiver (Rx), however there are other signal such as noise that travels inside the signal cone (or circular if the antennas are omni). If the signal is hitting an object that is in its line of path, this will cause signal deflection (signal deflected off from that object) then the signal will be out of phase at the Rx antennas. The cancelling effect is a function of the signal strength and how much out of phase the signal is deflected; the farther the signal propagates, the lower the signal strength becomes. Therefore, to maximize the received signal strength at the Rx antennas, the signal path in the first Fresnel Zone (immediate area closest to the direct line of path between Tx and Rx) should be be 60% cleared of obstructions.





For the candidate at 2949 Lincoln Ave., the antennas array will need to be higher than the roof of the church to avoid signal deflection (as shown above). The signal will be blocked and attenuated by the surrounding environment if the antenna centerline is lower than the terrain clutter. Thus, a 33' antenna centerline is blocked by the terrain as well as existing structures. In this case, the antennas will need to have a minimum centerline of 41 feet to overcome potential terrain blockage south of the site location.

As requested, Verizon Wireless network engineering has evaluated the following antenna centerline heights to determine if co-location with Sprint (from a technical perspective) is viable; however, the "monopalm" structure that Sprint currently resides on does not allow for a co-location height extension and as such, the following information is provided for network operational analysis only.

With the proposed Sprint's antenna centerline of 45 feet, Verizon needs to maintain a 5 feet separation from "tip-to-tip" between Verizon and Sprint antennas to avoid signal interference between the 2 carriers. In order to achieve the 5 feet separation, the lowest elevation of Verizon's antennas would need to be at 53 feet with a centerline of 57 feet and an overall structure height of about 68 feet. That extends the existing tower (of which mono-palms cannot be extended or designed for collocation) an additional 15'.

Figure 1 – Aerial View of “Loma Alta” Candidate

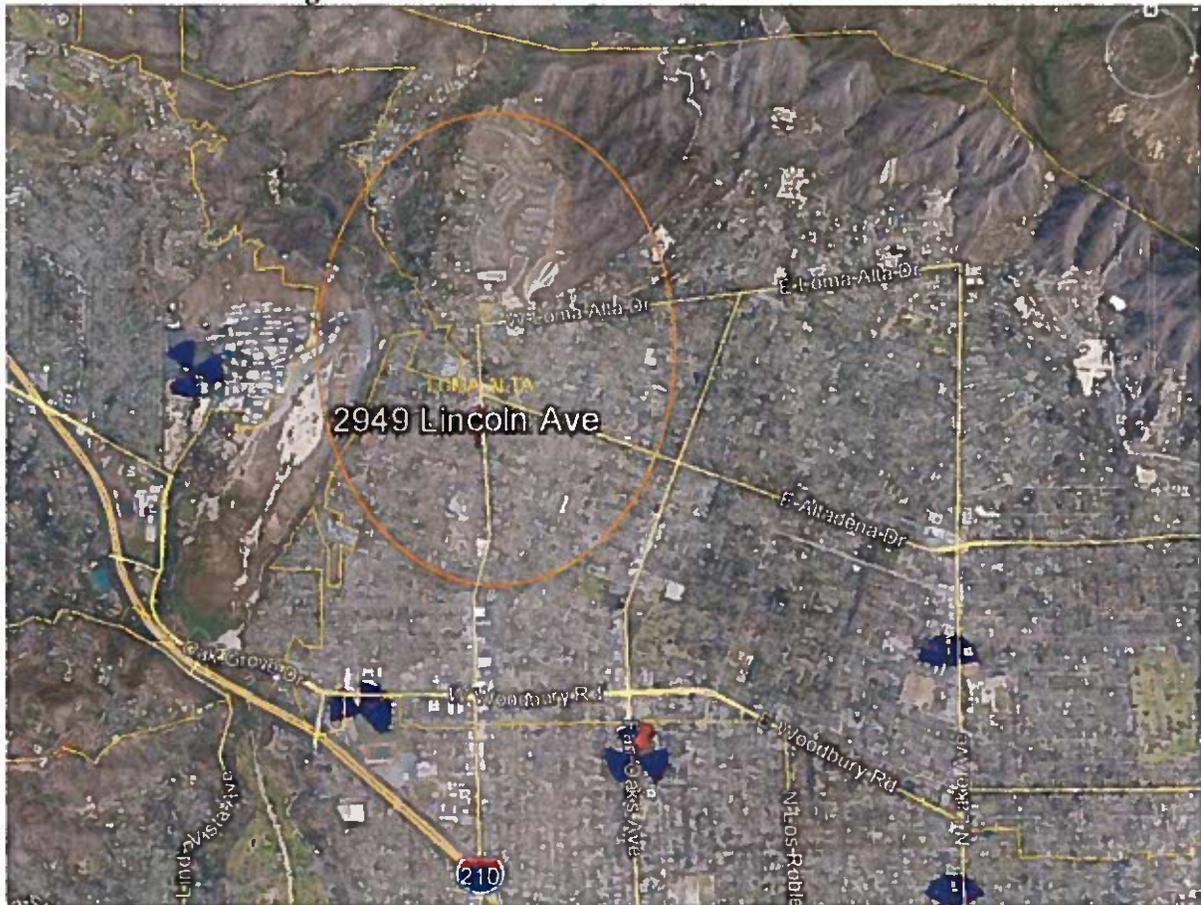


Table 1

Candidate Alternate RC			
Site Name	Lat/Long	Modelled Antennas RC	Azimuths
Loma Alta	34-11-45.8, -118-09-33.0	41 ft	100, 230, 350
Loma Alta	34-11-45.8, -118-09-33.0	33 ft - colo	100, 230, 350
Loma Alta	34-11-45.8, -118-09-33.0	57 ft - colo	100, 230, 350

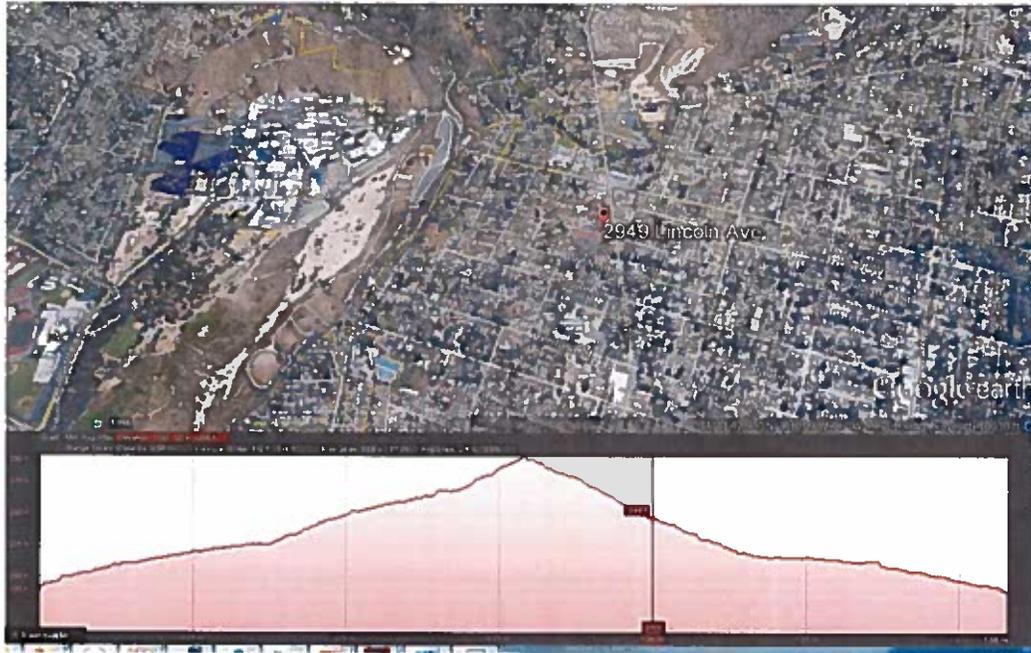
Terrain Coverage

Data usage continues to rise and it is important to Verizon to provide the coverage and capacity required to ensure quality service in the city of Altadena.

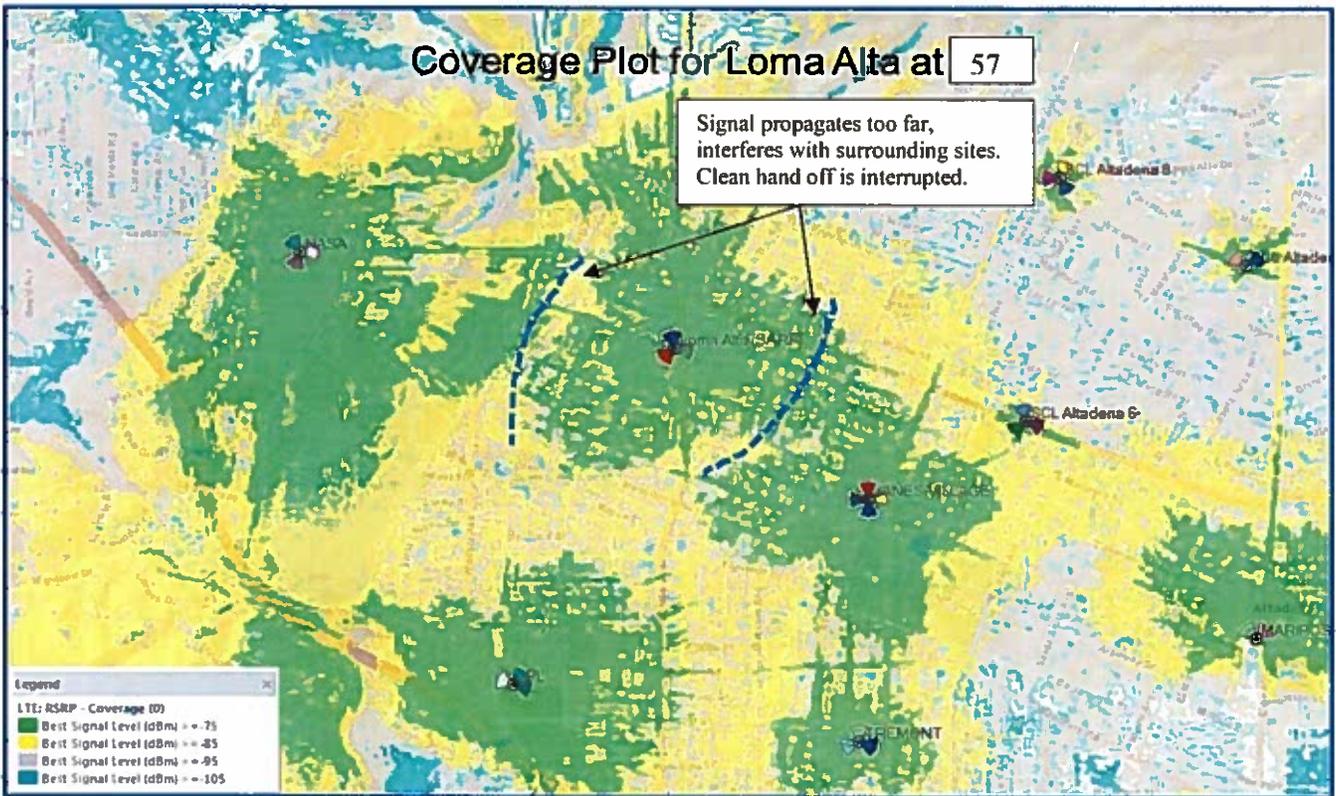
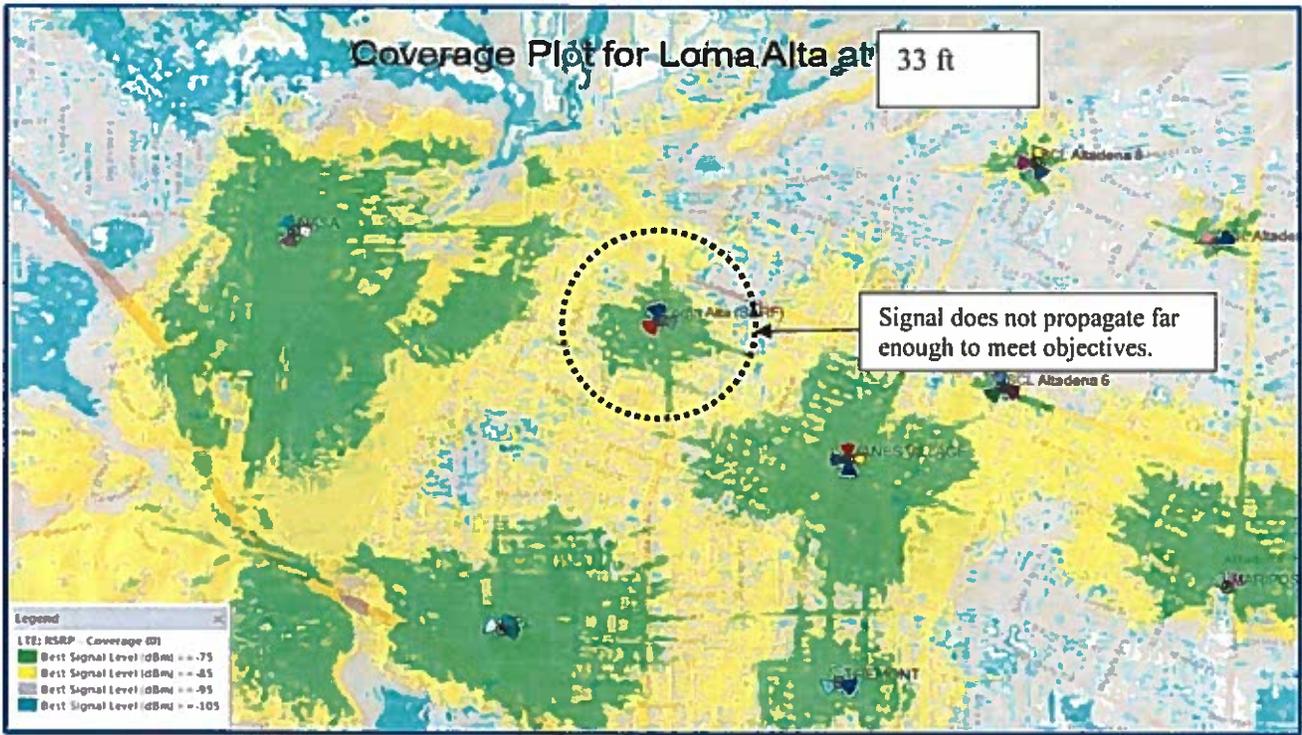
As shown on the terrain profile image below, the area is terrain challenged. The proposed candidate will provide coverage to the south area of lower elevation while provides limited coverage in the north as elevation rises.

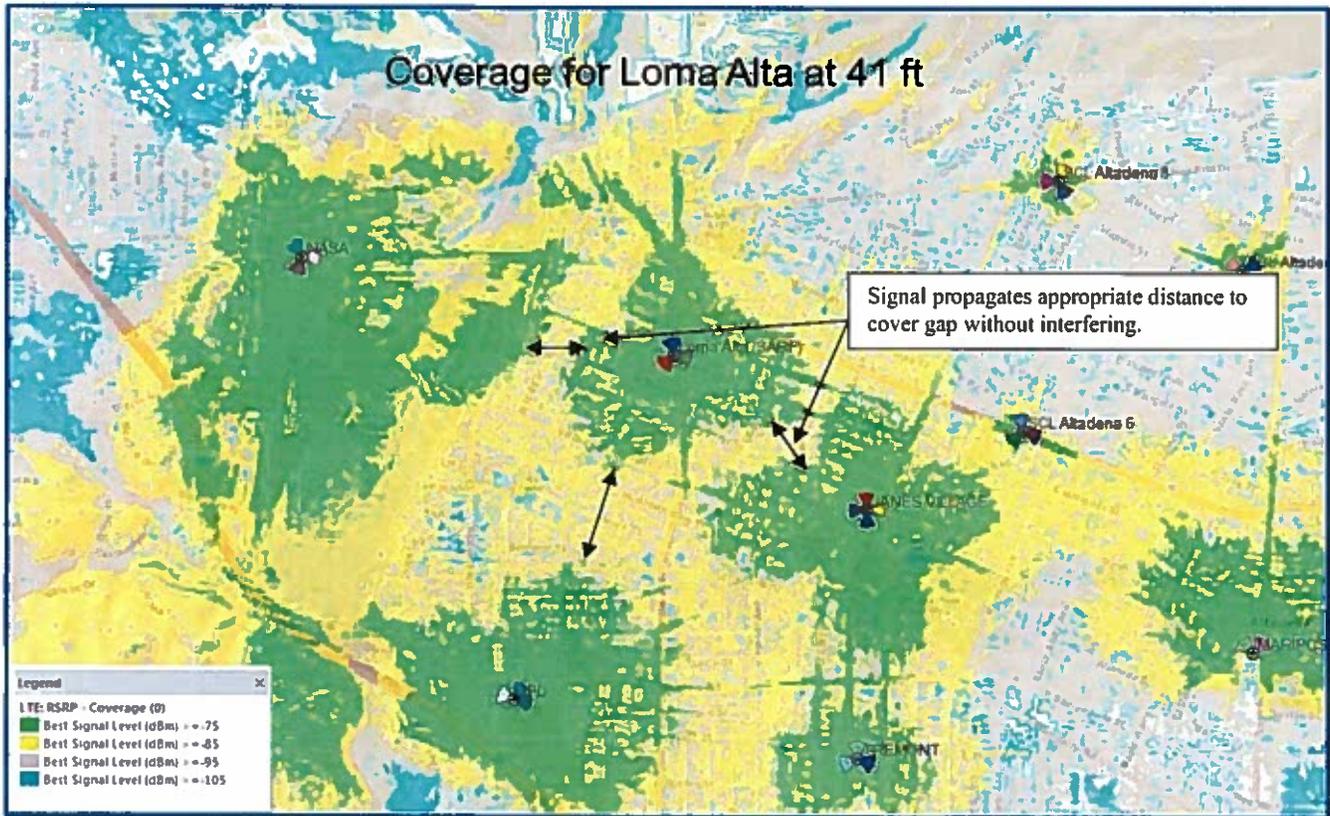
In Figure 2 it is clear to see the severity of the elevation drop. The elevation difference is over 105 ft. The proposed location was selected to maximize the amount of customers served while minimizing the amount of sites required to meet the coverage objective.

Figure 2 – Elevation Profile near “Loma Alta” candidate



Below are the coverage plots showing the 3 different antenna centerlines: 1) - 33ft, 2) 41 ft and 3)57 ft and how much signal is propagated within the area. As shown below, the coverage of the site would not be sufficient to address the coverage needed if the antenna centerline is at 33 feet or below 41' antenna centerline due to terrain clutter and existing structures blocking the line of sight. On the same note, if the antenna centerline is 57 feet or higher, the radio signal will travel further than the designated area and thus cause interference to the surrounding sites. (Verizon sites)





Conclusion

The Loma Alta facility will provide valuable in-building and in-vehicle coverage to residents and visitors in the Altadena area. Data usage continues to rise and it is important for Verizon to provide the coverage and capacity required to ensure high quality service in the Altadena area.

The careful design and location of each Verizon Wireless facility will allow for seamless coverage and adequate call/data capacity throughout the area.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Lam

verizon

RF Design Engineer

15505 Sand Canyon Ave, Irvine, CA 92618

Carl Nadela

From: Robert Glaser
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2015 2:11 PM
To: 'Lana Johnson'
Cc: Gretchen Siemers; Carl Nadela
Subject: RE: Cell Towers in Altadena

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi Lana Johnson,

We will consider this email as opposition to both projects that you are concerned about. Please check our website at <http://planning.lacounty.gov/case> two weeks before the hearings. Please type in the appropriate case number into the "Search Case Archive" box to find more information on the case. The first case will be heard on November 17, 2015 (R2015-02353)(RCUP201500095). Any questions on this case, please contact the case planner Gretchen Siemers at 213 974-6443. She has been copied on this email. The second case will be heard on December 1, 2015 (RCUP2013-00155). Any questions on this case, please contact the case planner Carl Nadela. He has been copied on this email.

Thanks,

Robert Glaser
Supervising Regional Planner
Los Angeles County
Department of Regional Planning
Zoning Permits North Section
(213) 974-6443

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From: Lana Johnson [mailto:lana_mj@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2015 12:51 PM
To: Robert Glaser
Subject: Cell Towers in Altadena

Dear Mr. Glasser,

I am contacting you about two cell tower proposals in Altadena at the following addresses:

2561 Fair Oaks Avenue
2449 Lincoln Avenue Project R2015-02353-(5), Conditional Use Permit
2015000095.

I'm opposed to any additional cell towers or other wireless communication devices being put up in these areas. I live .13 miles from the proposed tower on Fair Oaks and .97 miles from the one on Lincoln. Cell towers can have adverse affects on property values and may have health risks, especially for children. There are several schools in close proximity to these areas: Fair Oaks Academy, Odyssey, Jackson Elem., Altadena Elem., Pasadena Waldorf (elem & high school campuses).

I would like any other relevant information on these proposals and how to communicate this opposition within the community.

With appreciation for your time,

Lana Johnson
Homeowner
59 La Venezia Court
Altadena CA, 91001

Carl Nadela

From: Robert Glaser
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 8:09 AM
To: 'Taylor Jacobson'; diane.marcussen@altadenatowncouncil.org;
gloria.sanyika@altadenatowncouncil.org
Cc: Gretchen Siemers; Carl Nadela
Subject: RE: proposed cell phone towers

Hi Taylor Jacobson,

Thank you for your expressed concern about the proposed cell towers at 2949 Lincoln Ave and 2561 Fair Oaks. This email will be presented to the Hearing Officer as opposition to the projects. Gretchen and Carl, please ensure that this email is a part of the hearing packages.

Thanks,
Robert

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From: Taylor Jacobson [<mailto:taylor.jacobson@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 8:23 PM
To: diane.marcussen@altadenatowncouncil.org; gloria.sanyika@altadenatowncouncil.org; Robert Glaser
Subject: proposed cell phone towers

Hello,
I am opposed to the proposed cell phone towers at 2949 Lincoln Ave and 2561 Fair Oaks Ave.
Thank you
Taylor Jacobson

Homeowner - Mariposa St, Altadena

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Taylor Jacobson Interior Design
www.taylorjacobsondesign.com

Carl Nadela

From: Robert Glaser
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 8:10 AM
To: 'Sirpa Kaajakari'
Cc: Gretchen Siemers; Carl Nadela
Subject: RE: Cell tower

Hi Sirpa Kaajakari,

Thank you for your expressed concern about the proposed cell towers at 2949 Lincoln Ave and 2561 Fair Oaks. This email will be presented to the Hearing Officer as opposition to the projects. Gretchen and Carl, please ensure that this email is a part of the hearing packages.

Thanks,
Robert

From: Sirpa Kaajakari [<mailto:sirpa.kaajakari@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 5:54 PM
To: Robert Glaser
Subject: Cell tower

Hello,

I am opposed to the proposed cell phone towers at 2949 Lincoln Ave and 2561 Fair Oaks Ave.

Kind regards,

Sirpa Kaajakari
3535 N Fair Oaks Ave
Altadena, CA91001

Carl Nadela

From: Gloria Sanyika [g.san@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 2:17 PM
To: Carl Nadela
Cc: dean.cooper; Justin Robertson; Patricia Sutherlen; ATC 4613 Diane Marcussen
Subject: COMMUNITY PETITION regarding CELL Towers
Attachments: No to Cell Tower.jpeg; No to Cell Tower #2.jpeg

Good Afternoon Mr. Nadela,

Attached please find copies of a petition that was circulated opposing the Cell Tower Projects. Please consider community response at your next Regional Planning meeting. Thank you

Sincerely,

Gloria Sanyika, H.Ec.
Council Member - CT 4603.02
Altadena Town Council

10/25 - 11/3/10

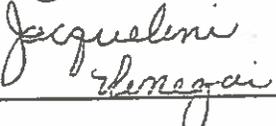
We are opposed to new cell phone towers in our neighborhood in Altadena.
 We are opposed to new cell phone towers near our children's schools in Altadena or Pasadena.

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Andrea Lopez	4816 W. Mariposa	<i>Andrea Lopez</i>		
Arden Thomas	279 W. Mariposa	<i>Arden Thomas</i>		
Justin Lieb	382 W. Mariposa	<i>Justin Lieb</i>	justinlieb@gmail.com	
De Snodgrass	506 W. Mariposa	<i>De Snodgrass</i>	teachinginscotland@gmail.com	
John Knuth	471 W. Mariposa	<i>John Knuth</i>	johnknuth@gmail.com	323-842-875
Thomas Arabuster	505 W. Mariposa	<i>Thomas Arabuster</i>	tomscatskasart.net	626-794-1854
Michelle Velazquez	151 Purple Sage Ln.	<i>Michelle Velazquez</i>	ms9122.numberonemountain@gmail.com	626-794-1235
Nyshawn Jenkins	515 W. Mariposa St	<i>Nyshawn Jenkins</i>	nyshawnjenkins@gmail.com	
Sirpa Kaajakari	3535 N. Fair Oaks	<i>Sirpa Kaajakari</i>	sirpa@kaajakari.net	626-486-2100
Lynnane Miller	470 W. Mariposa	<i>Lynnane Miller</i>	lynnanemiller@gmail.com	
Jane Ward	441/2 W. Mariposa	<i>Jane Ward</i>	jane.ward@ucr.edu	805-637-9991
Autumn Cunningham	453 W. Mariposa St	<i>Autumn Cunningham</i>	autumnal@stgglobal.net	626-245-0140
TAYLOR JACOBSON	471 W. MARIPOSA	<i>Taylor Jacobson</i>	taylor.jacobson@gmail.com	415 609 2048
Ann Osterburg	98 W. Mariposa St.	<i>Ann Osterburg</i>		415 717 8930
Shula Jakobson	626-644-4472	<i>Shula Jakobson</i>	sjakobson@iemimn.org	
777-407-6415	481 W. MARIPOSA 626-794-6415	<i>[Signature]</i>	crscollover@yahoo.com	626-794-6415
Gianni Knotz	481 W. Mariposa St Altadena 91004	<i>Gianni Knotz</i>	gianniknotz@aol.com	630-354-8682
BRIAN LEATT	463 Mariposa St 91001	<i>Brian Leatt</i>	marinestate@gmail.com	
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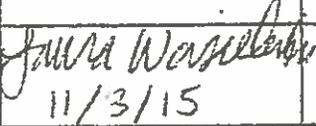
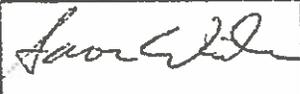
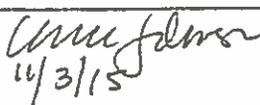
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Name	Address	Signature/Date	Email	Phone #
Kristin Petherbridge	2715 Scripps Pl.	 10/31/2015		626-201-7325
Jacqueline Vinagari	2765 N. Scripps			
TERRY HARRIS	2710 N. SCRIPPS			

Community Petition regarding Cell Towers

We are opposed to new cell phone towers in our neighborhood in Altadena. We are opposed to new cell phone towers near our children's schools in Altadena or Pasadena.

Name	Address	Signature/Date	Email	Phone #
Laura Wasielewski	497 W. Mariposa	 11/3/15	laura.waz@gmail.com	626-215-2843
Aaron Wasielewski	497 W Mariposa St		aaw1981@gmail.com	626-429-4220
Lana Johnson	59 La Veneria Ct Altadena CA 91101	 11/3/15	lana-mj@yahoo.com	562-260-7853
ERIC Badros			ebadros@gmail.com	

Carl Nadela

From: Laura Wasielewski [laura.waz@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2015 4:41 PM
To: Carl Nadela
Subject: Cell Tower Petition
Attachments: Cell Tower Petition.pdf; ATT00001.txt

Categories: Important

Mr. Nadela,

I regret I am unable to attend the hearing tomorrow for Project R2015-02353-(5), the proposed Verizon cell phone tower at 2949 Lincoln Ave. Attached you will find five pages of signatures of local residents and parents of children at local schools who are opposed to the proposed Verizon cell phone towers (both 2949 Lincoln Ave & 2561 Fair Oaks Ave).

There are various motivations for the opposition of these towers, everything from the potential negative impact on property values to health concerns from being so near to a cell tower.

I live right across the street from the proposed 2949 Lincoln Ave cell tower and I can say with certainty that my neighbors all feel that a single family residence (which is what the property is zoned for) would be much better for our neighborhood than ANOTHER cell tower. We are on the historically lower income side of Altadena and we already have far more than our fair share of the cell towers in Altadena. Most of my neighbors are NOT Verizon customers. When I informed them of the proposed tower one answer I got again and again was, "I don't have Verizon. I hear thy have the best coverage in the area, but they're too expensive. I can't afford it." My neighbors and I are expected to take all of the negatives of living next to a cell tower, but we won't even benefit from its presence.

Please present this information at the hearing tomorrow.

Thank you,
Laura Wasielewski
497 W Mariposa St
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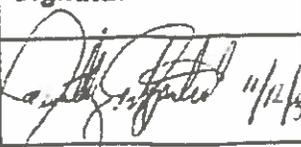
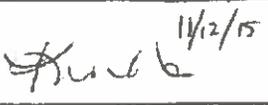
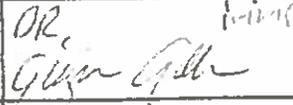
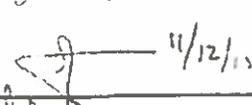
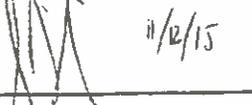
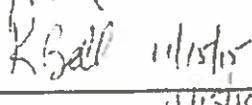
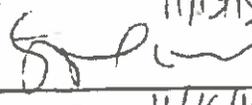
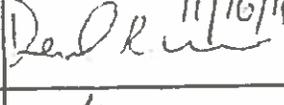
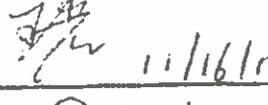
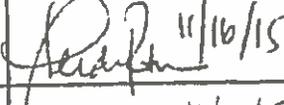
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Community Petition regarding Cell Towers

We are opposed to new cell phone towers in our neighborhood in Altadena. We are opposed to new cell phone towers near our children's schools in Altadena or Pasadena.

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Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
320 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

December 23, 2015

Re: Project Number: R2015-02353 – Proposed Cell Tower
Location: 2949 Lincoln Ave
Applicant: Verizon

Dear Mr. Bruckner,

The Altadena Town Council (ATC) resolved, at its December 15, 2015 meeting, to recommend the **DENIAL** of the above mentioned project. After three separate opportunities for public comment and door to door contact, residents in the immediate area were overwhelmingly against this project. The ATC also took the following into consideration as part of the evaluation of the project.

- Although located in a commercial district, the property is located at the end of that district on a church property and is primarily surrounded by a residential area.
- There is an existing cell tower in that same location and this would increase the concentration of towers in that area and the esthetic and noise impacts to an unacceptable level.

It is important to note that a large number of residents made public comments citing potential health impacts of radio frequency emissions as well as the reasons mentioned above as their reason to oppose this project. I believe you are in receipt of those comments that were written or part of a petition. Although the ATC did not take those health related comments into consideration as part of our vote, we did want to make sure that you were aware of the concern.

Thank you for your attention to this project.

Sincerely,

Diane Marcussen
Altadena Town Council

cc: Ms. Sussy Nemer, Senior Deputy to Supervisor Antonovich

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View of church and subject site from the south



View of subject site from the east



Close up view of the subject site from the east



Close up view of the subject site from the south



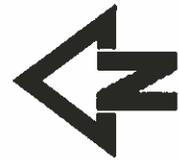


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