

Project Review Committee – Minutes August 16, 2023

CALL TO ORDER SB: 6:09 pm

MEMBER ATTENDANCE Present: Susan Booth (Committee Vice Chair), Stephanie Villamizar, Chris Chalupsky.

Absent: Kevin Hastings (Committee Chair), Chris Peregoy

AGENDA Approved by consent.

MINUTES APPROVAL None.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT None.

ACTION ITEM #1 - Dish Wireless - 1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd (Project #1058357)

Applicant: Kerrigan Diehl. Consolidation of Tmobile/Sprint mandated a 4th carrier. Dish mandated to cover 70% of population in 2023. Borrows look and feel of what's already on site on parking lot of church property. Verizon has 2 light standards. Proposal is 2 additional light standards at 30ft on Point Loma Ave. No impact on parking spaces. Ground equipment is across alley in notched out area, 5x10 enclosure. Only 3 antenna total.

CC: Enclosure size is large, public and board interest. Our purview is aesthetics, view corridors, sight lines. Big refrigerator sitting on poles. App: On poles are 44in square, 7.5ft tall. This is done because of remote radios located at antennas, helps with amplifying, line loss. They are large, city asked to tailor it down, we have ideas. We can uncouple radio units from antennas, put cabinet at base of pole, like Verizon installation. Reduces 44in to 24-28in. We have to do square form factor, not round.

CC: Can't put on corner at alley due to sightlines. App: Verizon cabinet is there, city hasn't identified. SV: Why are they up against the street? App: Church uses lot for basketball, corners provide even light without taking parking. SB: Can it combine on existing poles? Or roof of church? App: No, and church not interested in roof.

CC: City comments? App: Requires Process 4 Planned Development Permit because light standard in NE corner is in CC-4-2 zone with 10ft setback. Area by notch has 15ft setback, existing is 6ft. City asked for cumulative EME, it doesn't exceed FCC limit. Comments 13-15,18 about appearance, make it look like Verizon units. Comment 17, show setbacks.

SB: City wants no chain link, no barb wire. App: Fence to be decorative material, CMU, or concrete precast. CC: We could do better than a block wall. SB: Stamped concrete, make homeless proof. CC: Vegetation. App: Chain link lid over top.

CC: Any other community awareness? Previous projects raised concerns. App: I don't know, will ask church. SB: Distance from schools? App: They have preschool 100ft away. Residences across are 80ft away. SB: Coverage overlap? App: Zero, different customer base, no shared network, no existing coverage by Dish. Will give ½-3/4 mile coverage. SB: Why this location? App: Has to do with population centers. SB: Plans for more? App: I don't know, wild west. Also San Diego has formidable (good) design standards for wireless towers.

SB: Make it look like a palm tree. CC: No, disguise it with artwork.

CC/SB Motion: Present to full board for discussion and action. (Not a recommendation for approval or denial). Vote 3-0-0.

(Note: This is a subcommittee recommendation and shall not be used for city approval.)

OFFICER'S REPORTS: None.

ADJOURN: SB 6:49 pm