

FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2010

8. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

b. S09-0022/AT&T Communications Tower-Placerville submitted by AT&T (Agent: Jacob Reeves/The Lyle Company) to allow the construction of a wireless communications facility to include a 68-foot tall monopine tower to include 12 antennas at the 60-foot level with ground support equipment to be located within a 30-foot by 30-foot fenced lease area.. The property, identified by Assessor's Parcel Numbers 323-250-32 and 323-250-33, consisting of 3.55 acres, is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Kelli Drive and Cold Springs Road, in the Placerville area, Supervisorial District III. [*Project Planner: Tom Dougherty*] (Negative declaration prepared)*

Tom Dougherty informed the Commission that the applicant was requesting the project be continued to a date specific, to the next available hearing.

County Counsel Paula Frantz stated that since the applicant was requesting the continuance in order to obtain more information on an alternative site, a two week continuance may not be adequate time for staff to review the impacts of the new site location.

Jacob Reeves/applicant's agent stated that although the May 27, 2010, meeting would be a rush on their end, it was still their preferred date.

Chair Rain indicated that since the June 10, 2010 meeting had been cancelled, the June 24, 2010, meeting would be the next available meeting that would allow appropriate time for staff review and an opportunity for the applicant to meet with the community regarding the proposed project.

Barbara Winn, AT&T representative, was reluctant to have the project moved to the June 24, 2010 meeting as she wanted to keep it on track in order to meet certain deadlines. She stated that she had just recently become involved in the project and understood the importance of involving the community regarding the proposed project.

County Counsel Frantz stated that the basics of a project (i.e., location) are very important to know as it could alter study results and staff would need to determine if the new site location would require a re-circulation of the environmental document. Therefore, a two week continuance would not be adequate time.

Commissioner Mathews reminded the applicant that the Commission had received a large amount of public comment opposing the project as it is currently proposed.

No further discussion was presented.

Motion: Commissioner Pratt moved, seconded by Commissioner Mathews, and carried (5-0), to continue the item to the June 24, 2010, meeting.

AYES: Heflin, Tolhurst, Mathews, Pratt, Rain
NOES: None