



*City of Las Vegas*

Agenda Item No.: 19.

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF: DECEMBER 16, 2010**

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT  
DIRECTOR: M. MARGO WHEELER

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

**SUBJECT:** VAR-40188 - VARIANCE - PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT: AT&T MOBILITY -  
OWNER: PAULINE HARGRAVE - Request for a Variance TO ALLOW AN EIGHT FOOT  
SETBACK WHERE RESIDENTIAL AGENCY STANDARDS REQUIRE A 216-FOOT  
SETBACK FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITY, NON-STEALTH DESIGN at  
1311 West Owens - (APN 139-28-502-004), C-1 (Limited Commercial) Zone, Ward 5  
(Barlow). Staff recommends DENIAL.

**MAY GO TO CITY COUNCIL ON 01/19/2011 OR MAY BE FINAL ACTION  
(Unless Appealed Within 10 Days)**

**PROTESTS RECEIVED BEFORE:**

Planning Commission Mtg.

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City Council Meeting

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**APPROVALS RECEIVED BEFORE:**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends DENIAL.

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

1. Location and Aerial Maps - VAR-40188 and SUP-39709
2. Conditions and Staff Report - VAR-40188 and SUP-39709
3. Supporting Documentation
4. Photos - VAR-40188 and SUP-39709
5. Justification Letter - VAR-40188 and SUP-39709
6. Supplemental Page of Staffs Report

Motion made by BYRON GOYNES to Withdraw without prejudice

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

GUS FLANGAS, VICKI QUINN, GLENN TROWBRIDGE, RICHARD TRUESDELL,  
STEVEN EVANS, BYRON GOYNES; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None);  
(Excused-TODD L. MOODY)

Minutes:

CHAIR TRUESDELL declared the Public Hearing open for Items 19 and 20.

STEVE GEBEKE, Planning and Development, indicated the applicant is proposing to remove and replace three antennae on an existing 70-foot-tall Wireless Communication Facility, Non-Stealth Design (Monopole). The existing antennae have a total height of 70 feet, and the

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replacement antennae will be at a height of 72 feet. The increased height results in the need for a variance from the Residential Adjacency Setback Requirements. However, the applicant has provided no evidence of unique or extraordinary circumstances that would substantiate the requested variance. Staff recommended denial.

JASON FRAYER, representing AT&T Mobility, explained that the applicant wants to replace the existing antennae with two feet taller antennae in order to expand mobile services.

COMMISSIONER GOYNES viewed the facility as being an eyesore and could not support it without proof that a meeting was held with the neighbors. MR. FRAYER was open to the Commissioners' input on a better design or different materials and to holding a meeting with the neighbors.

COMMISSIONER FLANGAS suggested holding this matter in abeyance to give the applicant time to meet with the neighbors and come up with something nicer than the current unsightly facility. MR. FRAYER indicated that the site is small and could not understand how the setbacks could not be met.

As COMMISSIONER GOYNES was more inclined to deny the request, MR. FRAYER opted to request withdrawal without prejudice.

With technology changing, CHAIR TRUESDELL suggested the mobile communications industry hold a design competition to come up with the designs of the future to fit the various areas. MR. FRAYER replied that AT&T does reach out, but this design was in existence.

CHAIR TRUESDELL declared the Public Hearing closed for Items 19 and 20.

