

Inter Office Memo

DATE:

July 21, 2016

TO:

Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Planning Commission

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 12581 - FIRST ONE-YEAR TIME EXTENSION FOR

UNCLASSIFIED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 3429

APPLICANT:

Vista Towers

OWNER:

Floyd L. Harlan Living Trust

REQUEST:

Grant a one-year time extension to exercise Unclassified Conditional Use Permit No. 3429 which authorizes the construction of a 100-foot-tall monopole (stealth mono-pine) telecommunications tower with 12 antennas, two future microwave dishes, two outdoor equipment shelters, and an emergency back-up generator with a 132-gallon diesel fuel storage tank on a 2,250 square-foot portion of a 218.8-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum

parcel size) Zone District.

LOCATION:

The project site is located on the northeast corner of Thompson Avenue and Tollhouse Road (Highway 168), approximately 1,200 feet northeast of the City of Clovis (9036 Tollhouse Road) (Sup. Dist. 1) (APN 150-061-16).

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

At its hearing of July 21, 2016, the Commission, as part of its Consent Agenda, considered the Staff Report. This item was pulled from the consent agenda for discussion by Commissioner Borba and following discussion as to the need for the time extension, concerns about other communication towers that have since been constructed in the vicinity, and determining that the requested one-year time extension was warranted, a motion was made by Commissioner Borba and seconded by Commissioner Chatha to approve the requested one-year time extension for Unclassified Conditional Use Permit No. 3429.

This motion passed on the following vote:

VOTING:

Yes:

Commissioners Borba, Chatha, Abrahamian, Egan, Eubanks,

Mendes, Pagel

No:

Commissioner Woolf

Absent:

Commissioner Lawson

Abstain:

None

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Department of Public Works and Planning

Secretary-Fresno County Planning Commission

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William M. Kettler, Manager Development Services Division

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NOTE:

Approval of this time extension will extend the expiration date of Unclassified Conditional Use Permit No. 3429 to April 24, 2017. The approval of this project will expire one year from this date unless a determination is made that substantial development has occurred. If circumstances beyond the control of the Applicant do not permit compliance with this time limit, the Commission may grant a second extension not to exceed one additional year. Application for such extension must be filed with the Department of Public Works and Planning before the expiration of the Unclassified Conditional Use Permit.

EXHIBIT "A"

Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3429 First One-Year Time Extension

Staff:

The Fresno County Planning Commission considered the Staff Report dated July 21, 2016.

Applicant:

The Applicant's representative concurred with the Staff Report and the recommended Conditions. He described the project and offered the following information:

- AT&T was the prime carrier intended for the cell tower, but in the past few years, they have focused their spending on acquiring additional networks.
- The applicant does not currently have an executed lease with AT&T.
- AT&T is now putting money back into new sites, such as the subject application.
- The applicant intends to move forward within the year.
- T-Mobile and Sprint have not been very active in the area, so the applicant is relying on AT&T to populate the tower.

Others:

No other individuals presented information in support of or in opposition to the project.

Correspondence:

No letters were presented to the Planning Commission in support of or in opposition to the application.

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County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

August 8, 2016

Vista Towers 10161 Broadview Place North Tustin CA 92705

Dear Applicant:

Subject: Resolution No. 12581 - Unclassified Conditional Use Permit No. 3429

(First One-Year Time Extension)

On July 21, 2016, the Fresno County Planning Commission granted your extension request. A copy of the Planning Commission Resolution is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please contact me at cmonfette@co.fresno.ca.us or at 559-600-4245.

Sincerely,

Christina Monfette, Planner Development Services Division

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