

MEETING DATE/TYPE: VOTING MEETING 6-12-18

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

AGENDA ITEM: Special Use Permit (SUP18-00003) for the installation of a Cell Tower at 1845 Campbell Avenue; APN 116-12-025: Owner is Prescott School District #1. No public objections were received at the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund (Cost Recovered)

Approved By: Michael Lamar, City Manager

Item Summary

This is a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) for the installation of a Cell Tower. The Land Development Code (LDC) establishes the SUP process for all cellular communications towers, except those owned and operated by a governmental entity. LDC Section 2.4.49 establishes the design and approval process. The location is zoned SF-9 Single-family, which allows telecommunications facilities with an approved SUP.

Background

Verizon Wireless is seeking to install a Cell Tower to improve their service coverage in the central region of Prescott. The proposed location is on a site with an existing school use, within the parking lot, facing Campbell Avenue, as shown on the attached site plan. The proposed Cell Tower would replace an existing flagpole.

Site Design

The site has functional access from Campbell Avenue. The proposal is for a 36 foot monopole with 20.5 inch diameter, to be used as a flagpole with the existing flag. The proposed site would also include: a 45.89 square foot equipment cabinet behind a decorative mesh screened enclosure painted to match the school building. The cabinet is proposed to be mounted to a new concrete slab (4' ¼" x 3'10") to match existing concrete color, type and finished grade; and a new small equipment cabinet attached to the existing concrete island and top of flagpole caisson. A Verizon Wireless non-exclusive tech parking spot in an existing parking space and a 5 foot wide utility easement on each side of the site are also proposed.

The tower design is for a monopole with two wireless stacked antennas mounted inside antennae canisters within the pole. The 36 foot pole is just under 30 feet from the

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nearest existing building. The pole is 50 feet to the closest lot line, on the west, which is more than the required fall distance setback of 36 feet to the lot lines. The location meets all other setback requirements. The district height limit is 35 feet.

Planning and Zoning Commission Action

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their public hearing on April 26, 2018, and after discussion the vote passed unanimously 6-0 to recommend approval of the SUP with the one foot height exception.

Attachments

1. Vicinity Zoning Map
2. Aerial Vicinity Map
3. Site Plan
4. Photo Rendering

Recommended Action: MOVE to approve SUP18-00003 with a one foot exception to the height.