

SUBDIVISION INFORMATION (where applicable)

Subdivision Name:

Surveyor:

No. of Lots Proposed: No. of Lots Approved: 0

Variances Requested:

S/D Name Change:

OTHER INFORMATION (where applicable)

Other Bus./Ord. Amend.:

MPC ACTION AND DISPOSITION

Planner In Charge: TPB

Staff Recomm. (Abbr.): APPROVE the development plan fo a 195 foot monopole telecommunications tower subject to 5 conditions.

Staff Recomm. (Full): 1) Installing proposed landscaping as shown on the site plan within six months of the tower becoming operational, or posting a bond with the Knox County Dept. of Engineering and Public Works to guarantee such installation. 2) Since the FAA does not require any lighting for this facility, there shall be no lighting on the tower. 3) Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance. 4) Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Department of Engineering and Public Works. 5) A revised site plan reflecting the conditions of approval must be submitted to MPC prior to the issuance of building permits for the project.

With the conditions noted, the request meets all requirements for approval of a use-on-review.

Comments: This is a request for a new, 195 foot monopole telecommunications tower that will support up to four telecommunications carrier antenna arrays. Cricket Comfortable Wireless has submitted a letter of intent to locate on the proposed tower. The tower will be located on a 4.51 acre parcel that is located within a low density residential neighborhood. Crown Communications will be leasing a 10,000 square foot area for the tower and support facility. The tower will be located approximately 72 feet from the nearest property line. The closest single-family residence off the site is approximately 85 feet from the base of the tower.

There are no other towers within a one mile radius of this site that will permit the signal coverage that is required. The proposed tower and equipment area will be surrounded by a 7' high security fence. The perimeter of the fenced area will be heavily landscaped as identified in the attached landscape plan. The applicant has not requested any lighting for the tower, and the FAA does not require any. The new tower should have no discernible impact on surrounding land uses.

Attached to the staff report are several support documents, including a report from MPC's tower consultant, Mr. Larry E. Perry. Mr. Perry's report describes the Crown Communications' tower proposal and highlights his findings. Finding that the proposed tower meets all requirements of the Ordinance and is required for the applicant to meet their coverage requirements, Mr. Perry recommends that this request for a new tower be approved.

MPC Action: Approved

MPC Meeting Date: 5/10/2001

Details of MPC action: 1) Installing proposed landscaping as shown on the site plan within six months of the tower becoming operational, or posting a bond with the Knox County Dept. of Engineering and Public Works to guarantee such installation. 2) Since the FAA does not require any lighting for this facility, there shall be no lighting on the tower. 3) Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance. 4) Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Department of Engineering and Public Works. 5) A revised site plan reflecting the conditions of approval must be submitted to MPC prior to the issuance of building permits for the project.

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Date of MPC Approval: 5/10/2001

Date of Denial:

Postponements:

Date of Withdrawal:

Withdrawn prior to publication?: Action Appealed?:

LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION

Legislative Body:

Date of Legislative Action:

Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading:

Ordinance Number:

Other Ordinance Number References:

Disposition of Case:

Disposition of Case, Second Reading:

If "Other":

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Amendments:

Amendments:

Date of Legislative Appeal:

Effective Date of Ordinance: