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## **MENDOCINO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**ACTION MINUTES – January 19, 2023**

**BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
COUNTY OF MENDOCINO – STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FAIR STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
(PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §25150)**

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**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN SESSION AND ROLL CALL 9:00 A.M.**

Present: Commissioner Clifford Paulin, Commissioner Diana Wiedemann, Commissioner Marie Jones, and Commissioner Elora Babbini.

Commissioner Pernell was absent by prearrangement.

Staff Present: Adrienne Thompson, Administrative Services Manager; Ignacio Gonzalez, Interim Assistant Director; Jocelyn Gonzalez-Thies, Staff Assistant III; Keith Gronendyke, Planner III; Mike McGinnis, Chief Planner; Matthew Kiedrowski, Deputy County Counsel.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 - PLANNING COMMISSION ADMINISTRATION**

**2a.** Discussion and Possible Action Including Adoption of Resolution of the Mendocino County Planning Commission Finding that State or Local Officials Continue to Recommend Measures to Promote Social Distancing in Connection with Public Meetings.

Mr. Gonzalez read the title of the Resolution into the record.

Commissioner Babbini made a motion to adopt the Resolution, however the public hearing had not been opened for the item.

The public hearing was declared open.

**Public Comment:** Annemarie Weibel

The public hearing was closed.

Staff noted that there was a motion on the floor that needed a second; Commissioner Wiedemann provided the second.

Upon motion by Commissioner Babbini, seconded by Commissioner Wiedemann, and carried by a roll call vote of (4-0), IT IS ORDERED, that the Planning Commission adopts the Resolution of the Mendocino County Planning Commission, finding that State or Local Officials Continue to Recommend Measures to Promote Social Distancing in Connection with Public Meetings.

AYES: Paulin, Babbini, Wiedemann, Jones  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Pernell

**2b. Election of Chair and Vice Chair –**

Upon motion by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Babbini, and carried by a roll call vote of (3-0, with Commissioner Wiedemann abstaining), IT IS ORDERED that Commissioner Wiedemann is elected as Chair to the Planning Commission.

AYES: Paulin, Babbini, Jones  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Pernell  
ABSTAIN: Wiedemann

Upon motion by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Babbini, and carried by a roll call vote of (4-0), IT IS ORDERED that Commissioner Paulin is elected as Vice Chair to the Planning Commission.

AYES: Paulin, Babbini, Jones, Wiedemann  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Pernell

**2c. Determination of Legal Notice –** The Clerk advised the Commission that all items on the agenda had been properly noticed.

**Public Comment:** Annemarie Weibel

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT**

Mr. Gonzalez noted the Director would be absent for a couple weeks. He introduced the new Chief Planner, Mike McGinnis, and noted his experience with the coastal commission in several jurisdictions.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Public comment:** Annemarie Weibel

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – CONSENT CALENDAR**

No items were set for the consent calendar.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – REGULAR CALENDAR**

**6a. Noticed Public Hearing**

**CASE#: UM 2022-0003**

DATE FILED: 5/25/2022

OWNER: BRUNHILDE FUNKE

APPLICANT: AT&T MOBILITY

AGENT: EPIC WIRELESS LLC/KAREN LIENERT

REQUEST: Modification to Use Permit of existing communications facility to expand the existing lease area at the base of the tower by 300 square feet, install a pre-manufactured equipment cabinet, install a new GPS unit on the tower, install nine new antennas at the seventy-five-foot level of the tower, install fifteen RRUs, install three surge suppressors, install a diesel powered emergency power generator with a 190 gallon fuel storage tank and upgrade power/telco to new site location.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Categorically Exempt

LOCATION: In the Coastal Zone, 1.06± miles south of the Town of Albion, lying on the east side of State Highway 1 (SR 1) 1,523± feet north of its intersection with Navarro Ridge Road; located at 2335 North Highway 1, Albion; APN: 123-370-03.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 5 (Williams)

STAFF PLANNER: KEITH GRONENDYKE

Speaker/s: Keith Gronendyke, Staff Planner

The Commission had several questions for staff.

**Applicant:** AT&T MOBILITY- Agent, Epic Wireless, Karen Lienert, answered the Commission’s questions.

The public hearing was declared open.

**Public Comment:** All correspondence received was uploaded to the public website under this item.

**Telecomment:** Annemarie Weibel

The public hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Babbini, and carried by a roll call vote of (4-0), IT IS ORDERED, By resolution, to adopt the Addendum to the previously approved Mitigated Negative Declaration and Grant the Use Permit Modification to the existing telecommunication site.

AYES: Paulin, Babbini, Jones, Wiedemann  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Pernell

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MATTERS FROM STAFF**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – MATTERS FROM COMMISSION**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – MINUTES**

No minutes were set for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – ADJOURNMENT**

THERE BEING NOTHING FURTHER TO COME BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION, THE MENDOCINO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 9:36 A.M.

Attest: Adrienne Thompson  
Administrative Services Manager

*Diana Wiedemann*  
Diana Wiedemann, Chair

*Adrienne Thompson*

**NOTICE: PUBLISHED MINUTES OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS.**

- Effective March 1, 2020, Planning Commission minutes will be produced in “action only” format. As an alternative service, public access to recorded Commission proceedings will be available on the Planning and Building website.
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**Thank you for your interest in the proceedings of the Mendocino County Planning Commission.**