



Development Services Department

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE OF DECISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Administrator for the City of Chula Vista (“City”) considered an application to renew a Conditional Use Permit for an existing wireless telecommunications facility as described below:

Date:	March 21, 2025
Applicant:	Precept Wireless Consultants (for T-Mobile)
Project Number:	CUP24-0025
Project Location:	500 Third Avenue (APN: 573-100-39)
Project Planner:	Caroline Young

The Applicant requests to renew an expired Conditional Use Permit (PCC-12-073) for twelve (12) antennas and associated equipment on the rooftop of the South County Regional Center (“Project”). No changes will be made to the existing antennas or equipment enclosure. The subject property is owned by the County of San Diego (“Property Owner”) and is zoned Central Commercial (CC), with a Chula Vista General Plan (“General Plan”) land use designation of Public/Quasi-Public (PQ).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Project qualifies for a Class 1 categorical exemption pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines because it involves no expansion of the existing use. No further environmental review is required.

HOUSING IMPACT

Neither the subject property nor any portion thereof was identified in the General Plan’s Housing Element to accommodate a portion of the City’s allocation toward addressing regional housing needs.

THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, under the provisions of Chula Vista Municipal Code (“CVMC”) subsection 19.14.030(A), makes the following findings:

The proposed use at this location is necessary or desirable and will contribute to the general wellbeing of the neighborhood or the community.

The proposed use will continue to support public convenience by providing essential communication and increased wireless service in the area. It will not interfere with any existing activities or conveniences of the public, as it is located within an existing wireless facility and will contribute to the general wellbeing of the community by ensuring uninterrupted cellular service for the surrounding area.

The use will not, under the circumstances of this particular case, be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity, nor will it be injurious to property or improvements in the vicinity.

The proposed use will ensure continued access to clear and reliable wireless communications, which can continue to function in the event of an emergency or natural disaster and may help to enhance the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Chula Vista.

The proposed use will comply with the regulations and conditions specified in the CVMC for such use.

The proposed use will continue its compliance with the City's development criteria for such use and with all other City zoning and building regulations. Additionally, this permit will require the Applicant and Property Owner to fulfill conditions and comply with all applicable regulations and standards specified in the City's Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance (CVMC 19.89).

Granting this Conditional Use Permit will not adversely affect the General Plan or the adopted plan of any government agency.

The integration of cellular facilities with existing uses helps to achieve General Plan Objective PFS 24.2, which encourages siting and design techniques that minimize community impacts, such as using architectural features or details that blend with the surrounding area.

BASED ON THE FINDINGS ABOVE, the Zoning Administrator hereby approves Conditional Use Permit CUP24-0025 as described above, subject to the following conditions. These ongoing conditions shall apply to the Project for as long as it relies upon this approval:

1. The Applicant shall maintain the Project in accordance with the approved plans for CUP24-0025, which include a site plan and architectural elevations on file with the Development Services Department; the conditions contained herein; and Title 19 of the CVMC.
2. Approval of this permit shall not waive compliance with all applicable provisions of Title 19 of the CVMC nor other applicable City ordinances in effect at the time of building permit issuance.
3. The Applicant shall execute this permit only as the authorized use. Any new use or modification/expansion of uses shall be subject to the review and approval of the Zoning Administrator.
4. The Applicant shall cooperate with telecommunications companies in co-locating additional antennas on the subject property, provided said co-locators have received a permit from the City for such use at the Project Location. The Applicant shall exercise good faith in co-locating with other communications companies and sharing the permitted site, provided such shared use does not give rise to a substantial technical-level or quality-of-service impairment of the permitted use (as opposed to a competitive conflict or financial burden). In the event a dispute arises as to whether the Applicant has exercised good faith in accommodating other users, the City may require a third-party technical study at the expense of the Applicant.
5. Within 90 days of cessation of the business operations and use of the antennas, the Applicant shall submit a substitute user to the satisfaction of the Director of Development Services and/or remove the Project and all associated equipment from the Project site. If the facility is removed, the Applicant shall restore the Project site to its original condition. Any changes to this permit shall require a modification to be reviewed by the Zoning Administrator.

6. The Property Owner and Applicant shall and do agree to fully and timely indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless the City, its City Council members, officers, employees, and representatives from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, demands, claims, and costs, including court costs and attorney's fees (collectively, liabilities) incurred by the City arising, directly or indirectly, from (a) the City's approval and issuance of this permit and (b) the City's approval or issuance of any other permit or action, whether discretionary or non-discretionary, in connection with the use contemplated on the Project site. The Property Owner and Applicant shall acknowledge their agreement to this provision by executing a copy of this permit where indicated below. The Property Owner's and Applicant's compliance with this provision shall be binding on any and all of the Property Owner's and Applicant's successors and assigns.
7. If any of the foregoing conditions fail to be met, or if they are, by their terms, to be implemented and maintained over time, if any of such conditions fail to be so implemented and maintained according to their terms, the City shall have the right to revoke or modify all approvals herein granted; deny or further condition issuance of all future building permits; deny, revoke, or further condition all certificates of occupancy issued under the authority of approvals herein granted; institute and prosecute litigation to compel their compliance with said conditions; or seek damages for their violation. Neither the Applicant nor any successor in interest gains vested rights by the City's approval of this permit.
8. The Applicant/Representative and Property Owner shall execute this document by making a true copy and signing this original Notice of Decision and the copy on the lines provided below, said execution indicating that the Applicant/Representative and Property Owner have each read, understood, and agreed to the conditions contained herein and will implement same. Upon execution, the true copy with original signatures shall be returned to the Development Services Department. Failure to return the signed true copy of this document within 30 days of the effective date herein shall indicate the Applicant/Representative and Property Owner's desire that the Project and corresponding application for building/grading permits and/or business license be held in abeyance without approval.

Lowell Handy, Director
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for T-Mobile
Applicant

Date

Marko Medved P.E., CEM, Director
Department of General Services
for County of San Diego
Property Owner

Date

APPROVED BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA, this
21st day of March 2025.



D. Todd Philips, Ed.D.
Zoning Administrator