



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Letter of Determination

April 28, 2010

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RE: 3838 California Street
Block: 1015 Lot: 054
Case No: 96.412C/Motion 14247

Dear Ms. Chu:

This letter is in regard to the Planning Commission's decision regarding Case No. 96.412C, Motion 14247, permitting Sprint Wireless to locate up to nine WTS antennas and associated equipment at the address referenced above. Your request is to verify that a building permit application may be submitted more than 13 years after the original project authorization on November 21, 1996 to complete the project. This parcel is located in an RM-2 (Residential, Mixed, Moderate Density) District with a 40-X height and bulk limitation.

Motion 14247 approved up to nine wireless telecommunications antennas and related equipment for Sprint on the buildings of California Pacific Medical Center's California Street campus. While Building Permit Applications 9700317 and 9921553 were completed to construct all nine antennas, Sprint has indicated that fewer than nine were actually constructed on the subject property.

On March 1, 2010, the Planning Department issued an updated memorandum regarding modifications to existing WTS sites, which indicates that conditional use could be required when additional antennas are proposed for existing sites. As the original project was reviewed by the Planning Commission though conditional use authorization in 1996, I believe it is appropriate for the Planning Commission to review current Section 303 criteria, RF, coverage and design information that relate to the proposed antennas. In keeping with the Department's goal of ensuring adequate notice, I believe that a public notice consistent with current standards should be conducted. Therefore, it is my determination that a new conditional use authorization is required for antennas proposed pursuant to Building Permit Application No. 2009.09.18.7211, that the Planning Commission should review updated project information and design related to additional antennas at the subject property, and that adequate public notice should be conducted.

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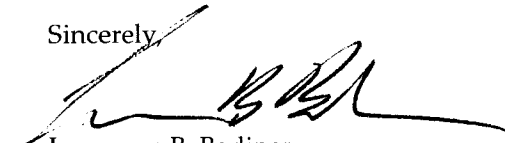
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If you believe this determination represents an error in interpretation of the Planning Code or abuse in discretion by the Zoning Administrator, an appeal may be filed with the Board of Appeals within 15 days of the date of this letter. For information regarding the appeals process, please contact the Board of Appeals located at 1650 Mission Street, Room 304, San Francisco, or call (415) 575-6880.

Sincerely



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Zoning Administrator

cc: Sara Vellve, Planner

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