Planning Commission Minutes
Community Chambers
Wednesday, February 24, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Mark Braly (Chairperson), Ananya Choudhuri (Alternate), Kris Kordana, Mike Levy (Vice-Chairperson)
Commissioners Absent: Greg Clumpner, Lucas Frerichs, Rob Hofmann, Terry Whittier
Staff Present: Mike Webb, Principal Planner; Eric Lee, Assistant Planner; Lynanne Mehlhaff, Planning Technician

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Braly called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3. Staff and Commissioner Comments (No action).

Mike Webb, Principal Planner, reminded everyone of the March 10, 2010 Workshop which will have a variety of speakers.
Also, he noted that the Willowbank Park Subdivision will go back before the City Council next week.

Commissioner Levy asked about changes proposed by the Willowbank Park developers.

4. Public Communications

There were no public communications.

5. Consent Items

A. Planning Commission Minutes of December 16, 2009
Action:  Vice-Chairperson Levy asked for pages 6 and 7 to be corrected by removing his name from the vote count since he had already left the meeting. The minutes were approved by consensus with the correction.

AYES: Choudhuri, Levy, Kordana, Braly

6. Public Hearings

A. PA #32-09, 2727 Second Street, Conditional Use Permit #09-09, Clearwire Wireless Collocation; (Eric Lee, Assistant Planner)
   Public Hearing to consider approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow a 10-foot height extension and collocation of a new antenna array on an existing 58-foot tall monopole located at 2727 Second Street, Davis Waste Removal facility. The panel antennas would be located at a centerline height of 64 feet and the microwave antennas at 68 feet. An existing lightning rod would be relocated at the top of the monopole.

Eric Lee, Assistant Planner, presented the staff report.

Mike Webb, Principal Planner, explained how the FCC has new regulations requiring the City to take action in 90 days on collocations so we couldn’t put this off to another future meeting.

Commissioner Kordana asked if it may be useful to modify the Telecommunications Ordinance for existing monopoles and allowing co-locations and height changes within reason without having to go before the Planning Commission. It may save a lot of staff time as well as Planning Commission time. Staff responded that this could be explored in the future as an administrative design review possibly. Vice-Chairperson Levy agreed that if most of these don’t have anyone objecting to them, they ought to be approved administratively with a right to appeal after public notice.

Chairperson Braly opened the public hearing.

Larry McDonough, representative of Clearwire, said he was there to answer questions.

Chairperson Braly closed the public hearing.

Action: Commissioner Kordana moved approval of the conditional use permit to allow a 10 foot height extension and collocation of a new antenna array. Commissioner Choudhuri seconded the motion.
AYES: Choudhuri, Levy, Kordana, Braly
The motion passed unanimously 4 to 0.

7. Business Items

There were no business items.

8. Informational Items

A. Planning Commission Schedule

9. Staff and Commissioner Comments (continued).

Mike Webb announced that the Hillel House application will be coming back to the Commission for expansion with a new facility. Also, the Verona amendments to their subdivision application will be coming back.

10. Public Communications (continued).

There were no public communications.

11. Adjournment to the next regular Planning Commission meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 in the Community Chambers (23 Russell Boulevard).

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:32 pm.