Planning & Zoning Committee of the MidCoast Community Council

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To: Steve Ross

San Mateo County Planning and Building Division Mail Drop PLN122, 455 County Center Redwood City, CA 94063

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RE: PLN2005-00549. Consideration of a CDP and Use Permit for a new cellular facility at 500 California Ave. Moss Beach, APN: 037-141-010

Dear Steve:

The Planning and Zoning Committee of the MidCoast Community Council reviewed the above-referenced project on February 15, 2006 without the applicant in attendance. We have the following comments:

- We do not support this project. This large flag pole is too crass and obvious a forty foot flagpole that is one foot diameter at the base and nine inches diameter at the top - with a large flag on top - we don't have anything like this on the coast. It will be one of the largest and most obvious structures on the coast, both out of scale with the surrounding area and out of character with the coastside community.
- One suggestion was to put this cellular facility in one of the existing utility poles.
- If the county does approve this project, then we strongly recommend that the flag pole be painted a more muted color, perhaps more like a telephone pole color, and not bright white.
- Is the plan to have the flag up at all times? If so, then federal law mandates that the American flag must be lit up at night. This would be quite intrusive to the surrounding homes in the area.

Thank you for your help. We request that you keep us informed of any further developments, hearings, approvals or appeals concerning this application.

For the MidCoast Community Council Planning & Zoning Committee,

Sara Bassler

Chair, MCC Planning and Zoning Committee

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