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**Verizon Community Outreach
Meeting for Proposed Wireless Facilities at
5 W 37th Avenue
1626 El Camino Real**

Wednesday, January 13, 2021, 6:30-7:30pm.

Community Outreach Meeting Summary

Attendees:

Modus Representatives: Jacob Olander, Christina Vu, JoAnna Wang, Harshini Nanduri, Katie Lan, Anahi Bendeck

Verizon Representative: Maureen Cruzen, Jay Gruendle

Radio Frequency (“RF”) Compliance Expert: Bill Hammett, Hammett & Edison Engineering (“H&E”)

City Representatives: Tracy Scramaglia, Matthew Trieu

Community Members: Debbie Wong

(Attendee list attached)

Summary

6:30-7pm Modus and H&E Presentations

Agenda:

- I. Introduction
- II. General Wireless Information
- III. Project Details
- IV. 5G and Electromagnetic Emissions and Radio Frequencies

7-7:15pm Q&A session

Major Issues/ Q&A

- The resident wanted to know the statistics on what cities in the bay area voted against small cell installations.
 - H&E explained to the resident that wireless service is a mandated requirement by the government and applications for small cell are subject to federal regulations; and the City cannot deny an installation application that complies with such regulations. H&E is unaware of any jurisdiction that have successfully said no to a small cell application.



- The resident asked what communities have successfully pushed back on small cell installation.
 - Modus informed the resident that Modus works with multiple jurisdictions and with that there come supporters and opposers for each site. Modus explained that the community make up is a blend, there are people that understand there is a need for wireless service and people that do not want it in their neighborhood; and that Modus has not come across a community that completely opposes small cell installation.
- The resident wanted to know what steps must be taking if someone where to protest the installation based on health concerns.
 - H&E explained that cities cannot regulation placement, modification, or operation of wireless facilities based on health impacts, if the facilities comply with federal safety standards. H&E informed that resident that since the preemption was created at a congressional level, the place to take it up would be congress.
- The resident asked for the range of the small cell node CA_SF_SANMATEO_101 on 37th Avenue.
 - Modus explained that CA_SF_SANMATEO_101 is a 5G only site so the range is 150' to 300' which is shorter than 4G sites that range from 300' to 500'.
- The resident asked where the nearest large cell tower to the 37th Avenue location.
 - Modus informed that resident that Modus does not work with macro facilities in San Mateo.
- The resident understands that 5G is coming everywhere and wanted to know the timeline that follows the meeting.
 - Modus informed the resident that the next step is a meeting with the S&I Commission who will review the applications. If approved, a building and encroachment application will need to be filed. Once the building and encroachment application is complete, the project is moved to the construction phase.
- The resident wanted to know when the facility will be installed.
 - Modus informed the resident that once in the construction phase, Modus will need to coordinate with fiber installation before Modus can begin construction which will not likely happen until late this year or early next year.
- The Resident asked whether it would require a facility every 500 feet for 5G to work.
 - Modus explained that small cell nodes are to fill in the gaps for the macro facilities. Modus informed the resident that the current five submitted applications in the City of San Mateo are not 500 feet from each other; rather they are used to fill in existing capacity and coverage gaps.
- The meeting closed with Modus providing the resident with contact information for any further questions.



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