

County of Monterey Planning Commission

Item No.1

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PLN220226 - FERNANDEZ BROTHERS INC (VERTICAL BRIDGE)

Public hearing to consider action on the installation of an 80-foot high wireless communications facility consisting of a faux lattice tower with 12 antennas, associated equipment, cabinets enclosed within a 1,600 square foot fenced equipment enclosure area, and associated site improvements.

Project Location: In front of 975 San Juan Grade Road, Salinas, CA 93906 (GPS Coordinates 36.771228, -121.605317)

Proposed CEQA action: Find the project Categorically Exempt per Section 15303 of the CEQA Guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Monterey County Planning Commission continue the hearing on this item to the January 10, 2024, Planning Commission hearing.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Agent: Melissa Keith (Vertical Bridge) **Property Owner:** Fernandez Brothers INC

APN: 211-221-007-000 **Parcel Size:** 123 Acres

Zoning: Farmlands 40 acres minimum or "F/40"

Plan Area: Greater Salinas Area Plan

Flagged and Staked: Height simulated by raised balloon Project Planner: Christina Vu, Assistant Planner

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The proposed project includes an 80-foot high wireless communications facility. Staff requests the Planning Commission allow a continuance of the hearing to a date certain, January 10, 2024, to allow the applicant and carrier additional time to obtain further information to complete their alternative site analysis.

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