BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO.: **B**(6)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 5, 2005

TITLE: REQUEST TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A MINOR MODIFICATION TO THE CELLULAR TOWER AT 515 SOUTH GREENSBORO STREET.

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING DEPARTMENT	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO _X
ATTACHMENTS: A. RESOLUTION SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING B. ORIGINAL CUP DOCUMENT C. VICINITY MAP	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: JAMES THOMAS, 918-7335

PURPOSE

Nextel Communications and Cingular Wireless have applied for a minor modification to the Crown Castle Telecommunications Tower Conditional Use Permit located at 515 South Greensboro Street (see attachment C). The proposed minor modification will consist of two steps: 1. improvements to the existing foundation of the cell tower in order to allow the addition of further co-location 2. addition of two (2) new antennas to the tower and expansion of the fenced in area in order to accommodate additional equipment within the leased area at the base of the tower. The town staff recommends that the Board set a public hearing for April 26th for consideration of a minor modification to the original CUP.

INFORMATION

Per Section 15-176 (15) of the Land Use Ordinance (LUO), additional antenna arrays located on existing towers must be approved through the minor modification process. This particular cellular tower was approved by the Board of Aldermen at their November 10th, 1992 meeting with several conditions (see attachment B). The last modification to the cellular tower, which consisted of an antenna addition, was approved by the Board of Aldermen at their January 27th, 2004 meeting.

Per the original CUP conditions, a public hearing must be held and all property owners and residents within 200 feet of the tower shall be notified by mail for any additions to this cellular tower (see attachment B).

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

TOWN STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

The town staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution that sets a public hearing for April 26, 2005 for consideration of the conditional use permit minor modification request.