



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of July 21, 2012**

DATE: July 11, 2012

SUBJECT: U-3340-12-1 USE PERMIT to allow a 50' telecommunications pole with accompanying equipment shelter and a modification to setbacks for the telecommunications pole and equipment shelter for New Cingular Wireless d/b/a AT&T Mobility; located near Jefferson Davis Highway and Washington Boulevard (RPC# 34-036-001, Parcel 3).

Applicant:

The New Cingular Wireless d/b/a AT&T Mobility

By:

Paul Whitley, Agent
7380 Coca Cola Drive, Suite 106
Hanover, Maryland 21076

C.M. RECOMMENDATION:

Defer the subject use permit request to the September 15, 2012 County Board meeting.

ISSUES: This is a use permit request for a 50' tall telecommunications pole with accompanying equipment and a modification to setbacks for the telecommunications pole and equipment shelter for New Cingular Wireless (d/b/a AT&T Mobility), and no issues have been identified.

DISCUSSION: New Cingular Wireless (d/b/a AT&T Mobility) is requesting a use permit to allow a 50' tall telecommunications pole with accompanying equipment shelter. By request of Arlington National Cemetery and the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, New Cingular Wireless reduced the height of the telecommunications pole. For New Cingular Wireless' telecommunications purposes, it would require at least a 50' exposed antenna telecommunications pole to obtain the same coverage as a 60' stealth pole. Staff supports the change since there is heavy tree cover surrounding the site, and the 50' telecommunications pole would not be noticeable at greater distances except when driving along Jefferson Davis Highway

County Manager:

BMD/GA

County Attorney:

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Staff: Marco Antonio Rivero, DCPHD, Planning Division

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(Route 110). The telecommunications pole will accommodate up to twelve (12) antennas at a radial center (RAD center) of 50'. Furthermore, the applicant seeks a modification to the [Arlington County Zoning Ordinance \(ACZO\)](#) for setbacks for the proposed telecommunications pole and equipment shelter. The proposed equipment shelter will measure 11.4' x 20' on top of an existing 926 sq. ft. platform area, and will be 10' from grade to the top of the shelter. The telecommunications pole is proposed to be 17' from the Parcel 3 property line (instead of 20' as required) and the equipment shelter is proposed to be 1' from the Parcel 3 property line (instead of 10' as required).

The County Board cannot grant a modification to setbacks through a use permit. Any modifications would need to be granted by variance issued by the Arlington County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) according to the provisions set forth in [Section 36.E.](#) of the ACZO. Because the applicant originally applied for this use permit identifying Parcel 3 as the property on which the facility would be located, staff analyzed setbacks based solely on the composition of Parcel 3. However, this site is owned by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), and staff has determined that the combined WMATA parcels included within this site may be used to determine setbacks (the entire property is identified as RPC# 34-036-001, but staff found that the property is also referred to as #34-666-MET). Attached to this document is a graphic that specifies the location of all the parcels combined (Parcels 1 through 4). When the combined parcels are used to determine setbacks, then there would be no need to request a modification to setbacks for the telecommunications facility. Both the proposed telecommunications pole and equipment shelter would meet the setback requirements to the property line of the combined parcel.

This use permit needs to be re-advertised if the combined parcels are used to calculate the setbacks, since the initial advertisement reflected the application's reference to only Parcel 3. The applicant was informed about the need to re-advertise, and has agreed to defer this application to allow for that process. This option is preferable to waiting and paying additional fees for a variance application to the BZA. Therefore, staff recommends and the applicant agrees that the County Board defer the subject use permit to the September 15, 2012 County Board meeting.

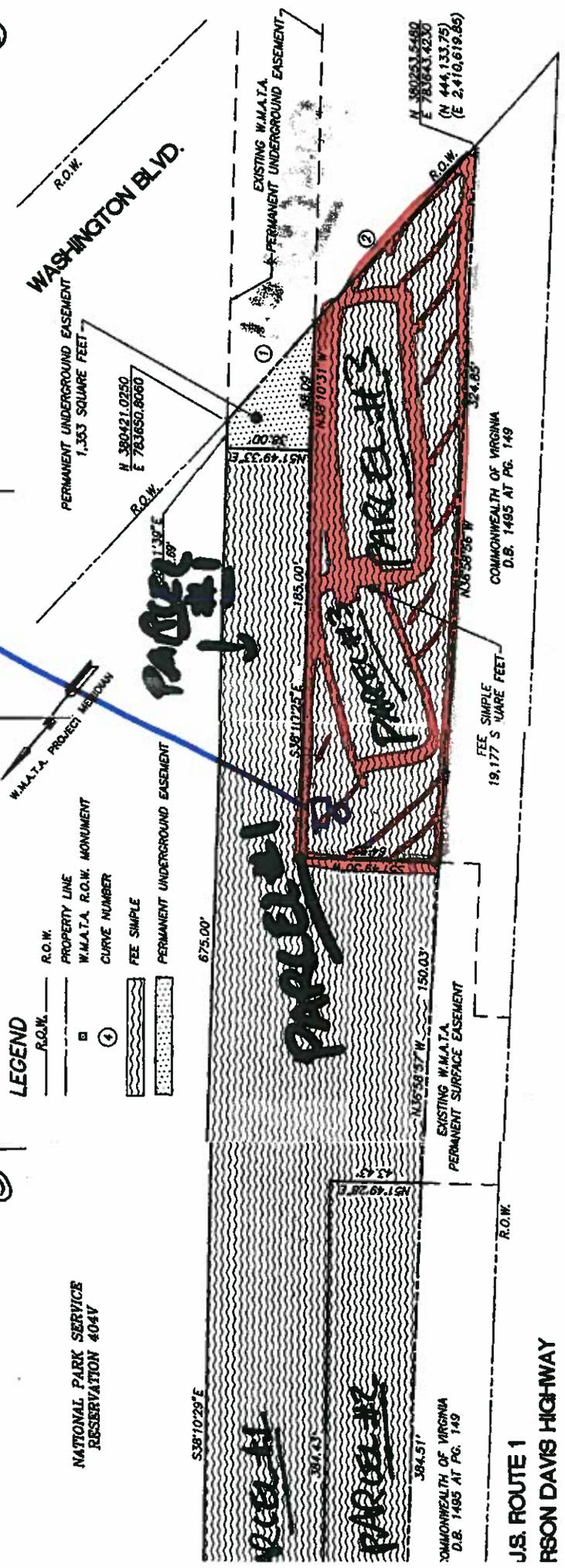
PREVIOUS COUNTY BOARD ACTIONS:

May 19, 2012

Defer a use permit (U-3340-12-1) for a 60' tall, stealth telecommunications pole with accompanying equipment to the July 21, 2012 County Board meeting.

LOCATION OF PROPOSED TELECOM FACILITY (K-5390-12-1)

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LEGEND

- R.O.W.
- PROPERTY LINE
- W.M.A.T.A. R.O.W. MONUMENT
- ④ CURVE NUMBER
- FEE SIMPLE
- PERMANENT UNDERGROUND EASEMENT

CURVE	RADIUS	LENGTH	TANGENT	CHORD
1	4015.00'	58.213'	28.607'	58.21'
2	4015.00'	108.44'	54.223'	108.43'
3	1136.28'	40.033'	20.016'	40.03'
4	1136.28'	85.577'	42.784'	85.54'

BEARING	DELTA
S01°45'10" W	00°50'42"
S02°58'44" W	05°04'08"
N37°02'04" W	02°01'27"
N32°52'08" W	00°53'53"

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EXHIBIT A
SHOWING FEE PARCELS AND AN EASEMENT ON THE PROPERTY OF THE
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

SCALE: 1"=40'

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DATE: 04/04/98

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

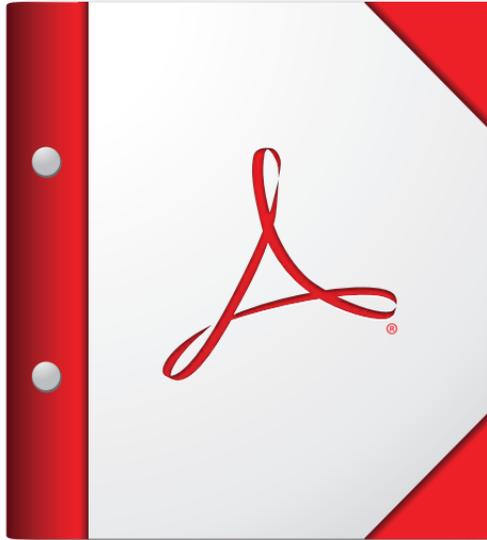
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ROSON DAVIS HIGHWAY

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
RESERVATION 404V

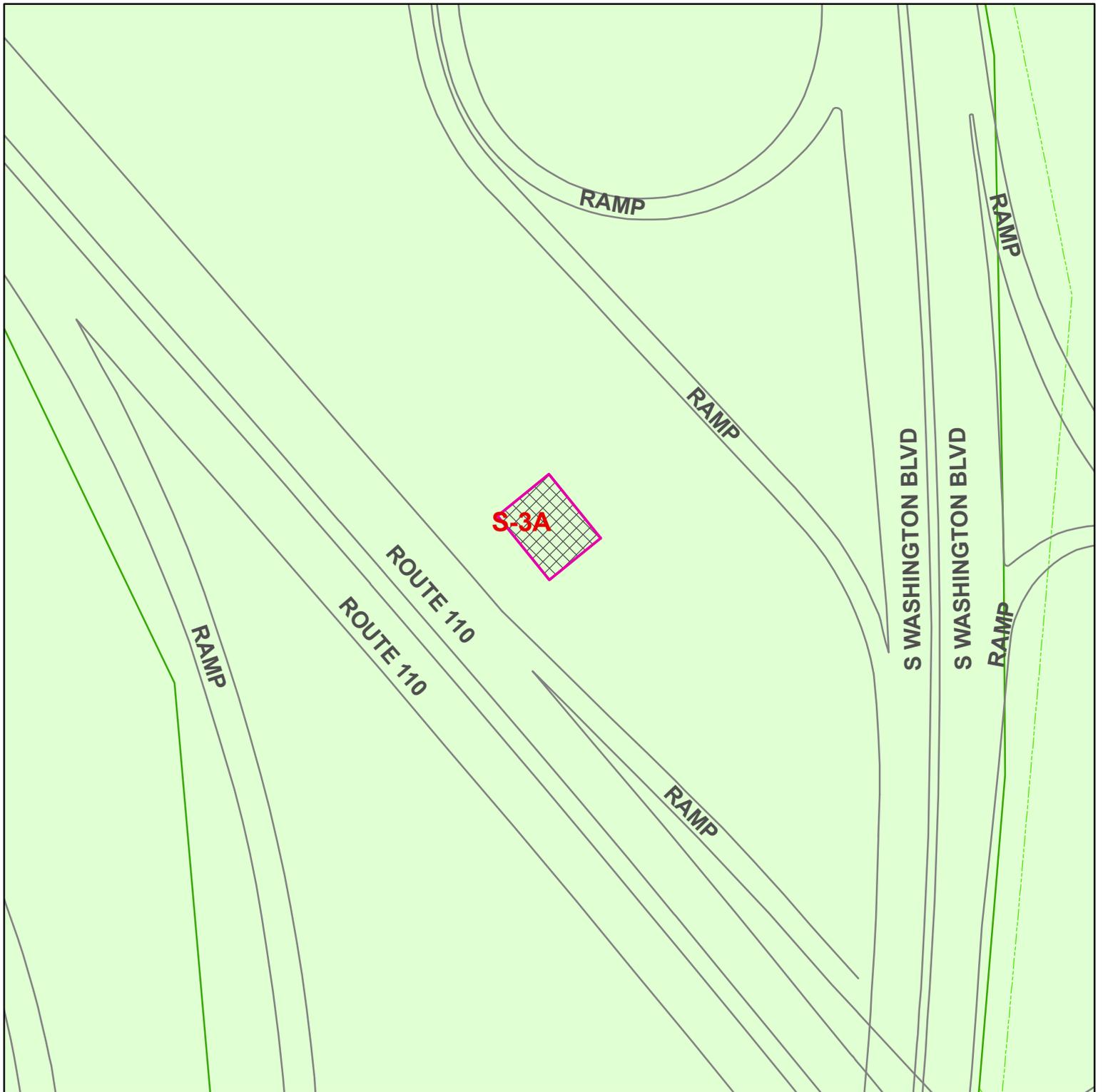
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U-3340-12-1

1001 Jefferson Davis Hwy.

RPC# 34-036-001, Parcel 3



 Case Location(s)
Scale: 1:1,200

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