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Agenda Report

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TO: Sustainability and Infrastructure Commission

FROM: Brad Underwood

PREPARED BY: Public Works Department

MEETING DATE: December 13, 2023

SUBJECT:
Wireless Telecommunication Law and Small Cell Facilities Informational Session

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive a presentation by Dr. Jonathan Kramer from Telecom Law Firm PC about wireless telecommunications law, small cell facilities, AB 965, and related matters

BACKGROUND:

Telecom Law Firm PC works for and represents local government agencies and their constituents across multiple states; government associations like the League of California Cities; and private parties. Telecom Law Firm PC does not work for or represent wireless carriers or telecom facilities builders.

Dr. Jonathan Kramer, founder and Senior Partner of Telecom Law Firm has advised thousands of government units and four branches of the military around the country on telecom regulatory and technology matters. He has been directly involved in over 3,000 siting applications processed by local governments. He has served as an expert witness and trial advisor for governments around the country in key telecom cases reaching the United States Supreme Court. Dr. Kramer co-authored and co-edited the FCC's national guidance to local governments on radio frequency safety matters. Licensed to practice law in California and New Mexico, Dr Kramer also holds multiple FCC licenses, as well as a California Contractor's license for telecommunications construction. Dr Kramer currently serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the California Lawyers Association Public Law section. In addition to being an attorney, Dr. Kramer has been a radio frequency and broadband telecommunications engineer for over 40 years.

With Dr. Jonathan Kramer's extensive background and experience, the City is inviting Dr. Kramer to present to the commission to provide insight on how to best navigate the complex regulatory bodies surrounding wireless small cell deployment in local municipalities.

BUDGET IMPACT:

There are no budgetary impacts.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

This informational session is not a project subject to CEQA, because it is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).)

NOTICE PROVIDED

All meeting noticing requirements were met.

ATTACHMENTS

Att 1 – Correspondence from Jonathan Kramer

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