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Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: APPEAL OF THE METRO PCS MONOPOLE MODIFICATION (P02-049)**

Appeal of the Planning Commission's approval of a Special Permit to increase the overall height of and add additional antennae to an existing telecommunications monopole.

- A. **Environmental Determination:** Exempt (CEQA 15301);
- B. **Appeal of the Planning Commission approval of the Special Permit** to increase the overall height of and add additional antenna and equipment to an existing telecommunications monopole.

**LOCATION/COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Northwest corner of Franklin Blvd. and 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. D-5

**RECOMMENDATION:** Planning staff recommends that the City Council deny the appeal, and uphold the City Planning Commission's decision to approve the Special Permit with the condition that no modifications should be done to the existing monopole unless all service carriers upgrade to "slim mount" arrays.

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**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** February 25, 2003 (Afternoon Session)

**SUMMARY:** The applicant is appealing the December 12, 2002, Planning Commission 8-0 (with one commissioner absent) conditional approval vote of the requested entitlements necessary to modify the existing monopole at the northwest corner of Franklin Boulevard and 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Specifically, he objects to condition B1, which requires all antennas on the monopole to be upgraded to slim-mount arrays. The applicant proposes to increase the height of the current monopole from 57 feet to 68 feet to offer more coverage for Metro PCS cellular service customers. Metro PCS currently maintains an existing cellular array at 32 feet.