



# City of Olathe

## COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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**MEETING DATE:** 7/2/2024

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**FOCUS AREA:** Economy, Community Development

**STAFF CONTACT:** Andrea Fair, Planner II

**SUBJECT:** SU23-0007: Special Use Permit for a Telecommunications Facility Expansion; Applicant: Justin Davis, Crown Castle

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**TITLE:**

Consideration of Resolution No. 24-1030 (SU23-0007), requesting approval of a special use permit for the expansion of a compound area for Verizon on approximately 7.42 acres, located at 15201 S. Mur-Len Road. Planning Commission recommended approval 8 to 0.

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**SUMMARY:**

The applicant is requesting a special use permit for the expansion of an existing compound area housing ground mounted utilities for a Verizon Wireless telecommunications facility located at 15201 S. Mur-Len Road. The applicant is proposing a 348 square foot expansion to accommodate a 264 square foot equipment shelter and accessory ground equipment. New antenna for Verizon will also be installed on the existing 100-foot tall tower. A special use permit is required based on the size of the expansion area.

The equipment building is 10 feet tall and complies with the 12-foot maximum height requirement. Screening of the ground-level equipment will be provided through the planting of a row of staggered evergreen trees east and south of the compound area. The chain-link fencing surrounding the existing compound area will be removed and replaced with black vinyl coated chain link with site obscuring fabric along the entire perimeter of the compound area.

The public hearing was held on June 10, 2024 and no individuals spoke. Staff recommends approval, and following the public hearing, the Planning Commission voted 8-0 to recommend approval of SU23-0007 as stipulated.

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**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None

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**ACTION NEEDED:**

1. Approve Resolution No. 24-1030 for a special use permit for a compound expansion of an existing telecommunications facility (majority vote of the Councilmembers present required).
2. Deny Resolution No. 24-1030 for a special use permit for a compound expansion of an existing telecommunications facility (five positive votes required).
3. Return the application to the Planning Commission for further consideration with a statement specifying the basis for the Governing Body's failure to approve or disapprove (majority vote of the Councilmembers present required).

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- A. Planning Commission Packet
- B. Planning Commission Minutes
- C. Resolution No. 24-1030