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**Rapid City Growth
Management Department**

Applicant: SWS, LLC
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Applicant Site Name: SD0255 Golden West

Project Description: Placement of antennas on existing monopole and ground based radio equipment cabinets as shown on submitted drawings.

Legal Description: Tract E – Business Park Fountain Springs.

Location: 2727 North Plaza Drive, Rapid City, SD 57702

Property Owner: Golden West Tele-Tech, Inc.
415 Crown Street
Wall, SD 57790

Zoning: LI – Light Industrial

Objectives:

This site is part of the “I Wireless” (aka T-Mobile) nationwide network currently expanding into Western South Dakota. This site is a crucial part to a designed network as indicated by the attached coverage map. The primary objective is to provide service to the business districts in the northwest Rapid City area.

Location:

The existing communication monopole is the only existing wireless communication site in the area that fits within the designed network. In utilizing the Golden West location, SWS will be able to provide new coverage, meet network coverage objectives and minimize the proliferation of communication towers by utilizing this existing monopole. Thus furthering the City’s need to expand technology and allow alternative and competitive communication services while minimizing the visual clutter.

Site Details:

SWS is proposing to attach 6 antennas to the top of the existing monopole and place ground based equipment cabinets next to the pole. The ground based equipment will consist of four 30” deep by 31” wide by 77” high cabinets. A solid 8’ wood fence will screen the cabinets.

Ordinance Compliance:

This site is located within an industrial district. Wireless communications are already established and permitted on the site. SWS met with City Staff in a pre-submittal meeting and it was determined that additional parking is not required for collocation. SWS is proposing this collocation in lieu of constructing a new communication tower and requests that the Board allow 6 antennas on the pole and the ground based equipment as proposed. All other criteria are consistent with Section 17.