## BRENTWOOD Community Council

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Los Angeles City Council Public Works Committee	Item No.:
c/o City Clerk, Room 395 City Hall, 200 North Spring Street	Beputy: public
Los Angeles, CA 90012-4801	beputy.

Dear Honorable Chairman Reyes, Honorable Chairman Huizar, and joint committee members:

Brentwood Community Council (BCC) is the largest and broadest based community organization in the Brentwood community, representing approximately 50,000 stakeholders, including homeowners, renters, businesses and business organizations, schools, religious groups, and other community groups.

BCC has been following wireless telecommunications facility issues for several years. In October, 2009, BCC passed a motion (attached) to communicate with the city council and other elected officials that the time had come to update the city's ordinances regulating the installation of these facilities. In short, that motion called:

- For the City Attorney to review the existing ordinance and any regulations and policies in light of recent court decisions, with the goal of recommending a comprehensive new ordinance;
- For the City Council and Mayor to enact a new ordinance consistent with the City Attorney's recommendations; and,
- For the City to impose a moratorium on all new wireless facility installations or application approvals, so that the City Attorney would have time to research and craft a new ordinance.

BCC, along with many other community organizations, waited patiently for the City Attorney's report, which finally arrived in early June this year. The City Attorney's report is a very good start, but is just a first step in the process.

We encourage the joint committee to follow up the City Attorney's report by drafting a new ordinance based on the recommendations of the City Attorney and considering input from community leaders and constituents. We will look forward to reviewing a draft ordinance and participating in the public comment process as the new

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ordinance goes through the legislative process of the City. We would encourage you to move forward expeditiously.

Sincerely,

Encl: Motion Regarding Wireless Telecommunications Facilities; 10-6-09

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## **Motion Regarding Wireless Telecommunications Facilities**

RESOLVED, that the BCC write letters to the appropriate parties as follows:

•That the City Attorney be directed to review all applicable regulations, rules, policies and procedures pertaining to the installation of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities in the City in light of the decision of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeal in <a href="Sprint v. County of San Diego">Sprint v. County of San Diego</a>, with the goal of recommending a comprehensive new ordinance regulating the installation of all Wireless Telecommunication Facilities in the City.

- •That in connection with the above review the City Attorney also be directed to research the extent of the City's involvement in the Joint Pole Agreement and whether and to what extent the City has authority to regulate Wireless Telecommunication Facilities installations involving utility poles and replacement poles notwithstanding the Joint Pole Agreement's provisions.
- •That consistent with the City Attorney's recommendations, the City Council and Mayor enact a comprehensive new ordinance with clear and consistent standards and procedures regulating all Wireless Telecommunication Facilities in the City and providing protection to communities and residential neighborhoods to the fullest extent possible under the law.
- •That the City Council and Mayor impose a moratorium on all Wireless Telecommunication Facilities installations and/or applications for approval of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities installations in the City in order to allow time for the City Attorney's review and research and the crafting of a comprehensive new ordinance as set forth above.