

RCU2017-00038

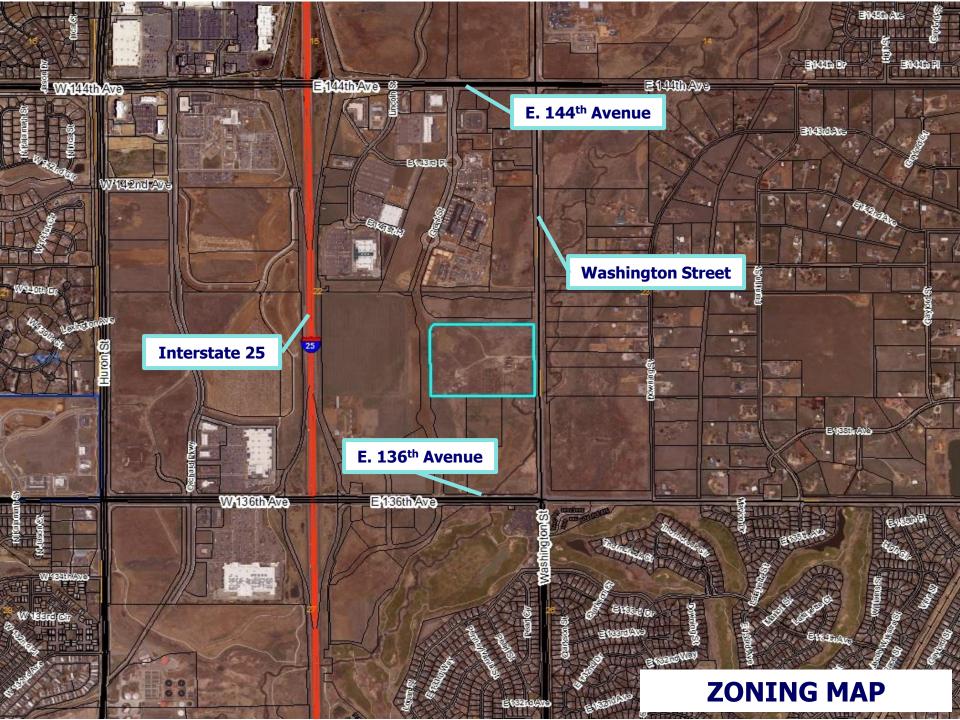
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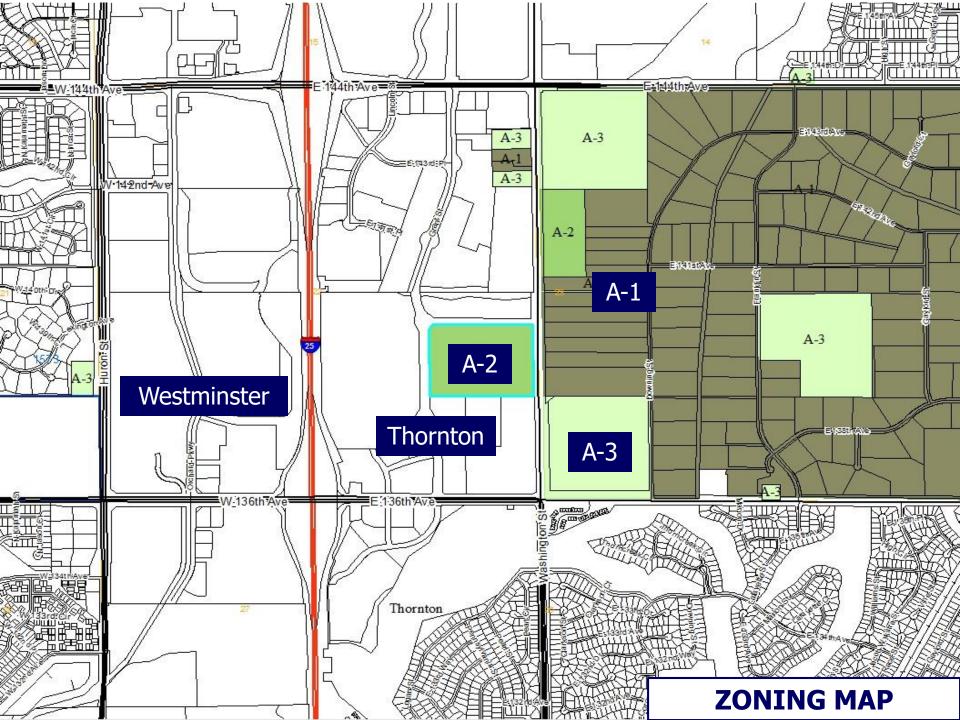
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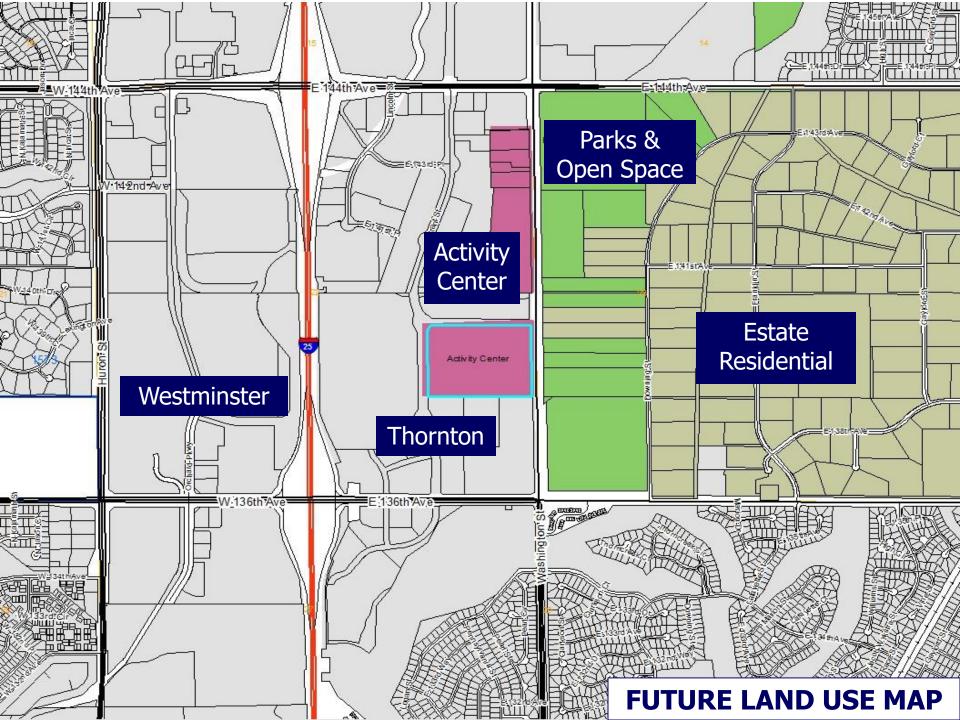
Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing Community and Economic Development Department Case Manager: Greg Barnes



Conditional Use Permit to allow a commercial telecommunications tower in the Agricultural-2 (A-2) zone district.



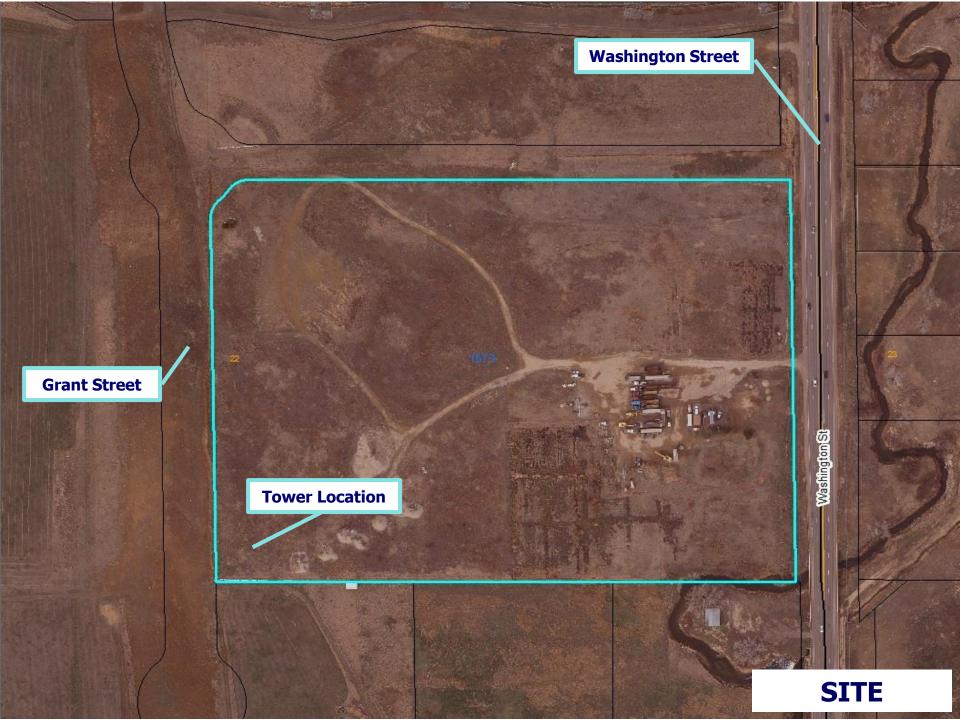




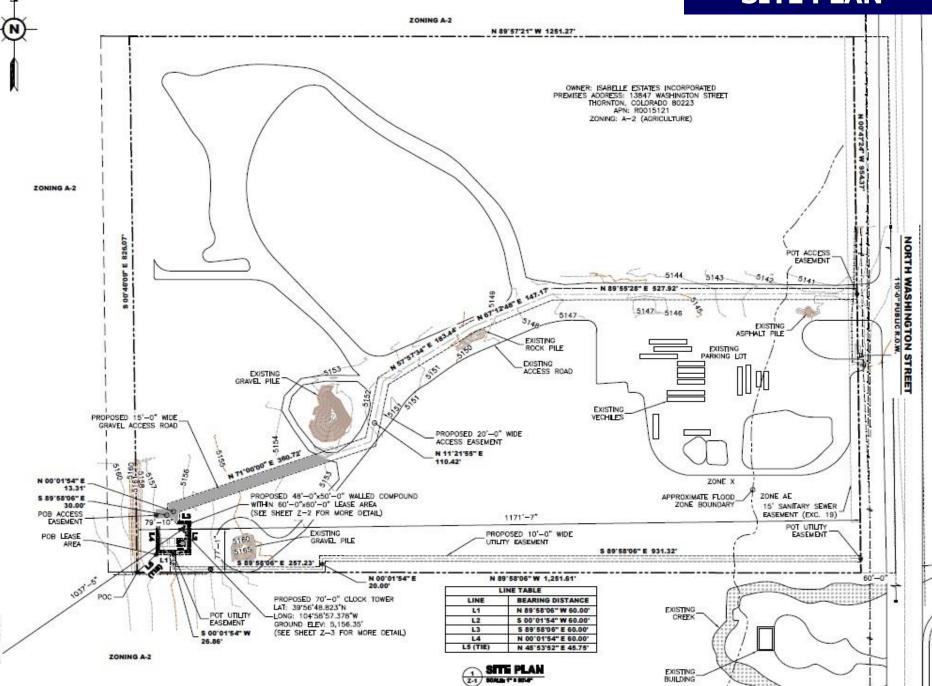
Criteria for Conditional Use

Section 2-02-08-06

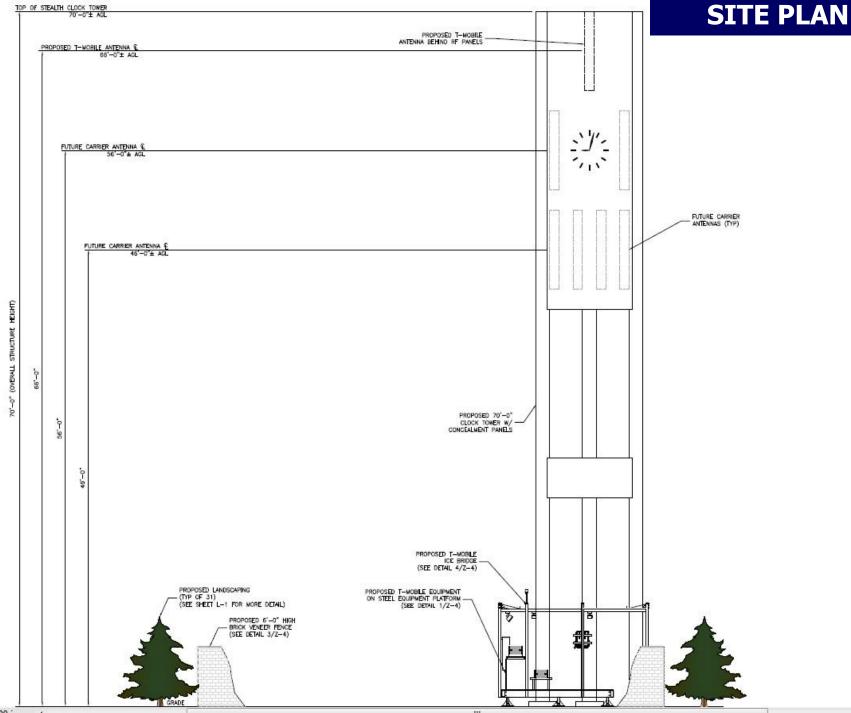
Permitted in zone district
 Consistent with regulations
 Comply with performance standards
 Harmonious & compatible
 Addressed all off-site impacts
 Site suitable for use
 Site plan adequate for use
 Adequate services



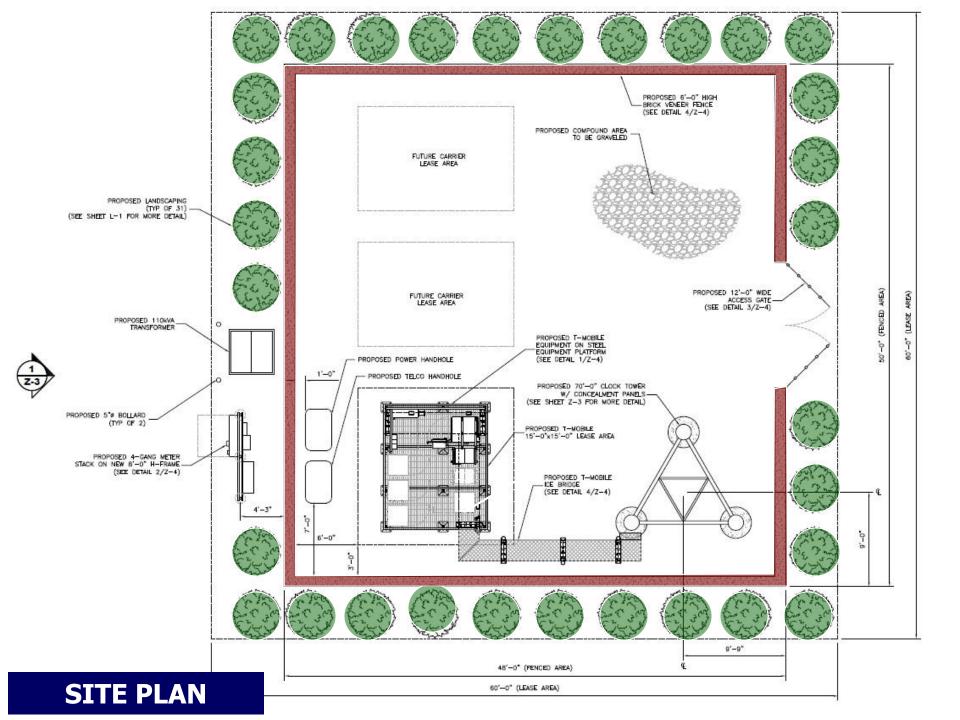
SITE PLAN



TO NEAREST RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNIT



17.00 11.00







LAND FOR SALE









Referral Period

Notices sent to property owners*	# of Comments Received
18	2

* Property owners within 750 feet were notified

Public Comments & City of Thornton: Discourages cohesive development Impedes future development

Adams County Comprehensive Plan

Policy 2.1

In administering land use and development policies, the County is to consider the growth area of each Adams County municipality and promote development in a manner that supports the land use plan and goals of subject municipalities to avoid interjurisdictional competition. The County is to also coordinate with affected municipalities on development located within municipal growth areas.

Thornton Requirements for Towers (18-826 and 18-827)

- Requires specific use permit
- Requires stealth design
- Maximum Height: 80' in RC zone district
 - Bonus of extra 20' allowed for co-location
- Minimum setback: ½ height
- Not located in "front view area". Defined as between front façade and street.
 - New structures in the RC zone district are required to be located 25-50' from front property line.

Submittal & Review Timeline

- August 29, 2017 Application submitted
- 75' height clocktower
- 75' setback from Grant Street
- 6' brick wall with no landscaping

January 19, 2018 – Re-submittal

- 70' height clocktower
- 79' setback from Grant Street
- 6' brick wall with 31 evergreen trees

Planning Commission

- April 12, 2018 Public Hearing:
 - No testimony from public
 - Supports Functionality of clock feature
 - Supports Access from Grant Street
 - Emphasized Importance of Landscaping Maintenance

PC Recommendation

Approval of RCU2017-00038 – Eco-Site with:

- 8 Findings-of-Fact
- 3 Conditions Precedent
- 5 Conditions
- -1 Note

Recommended Conditions Precedent

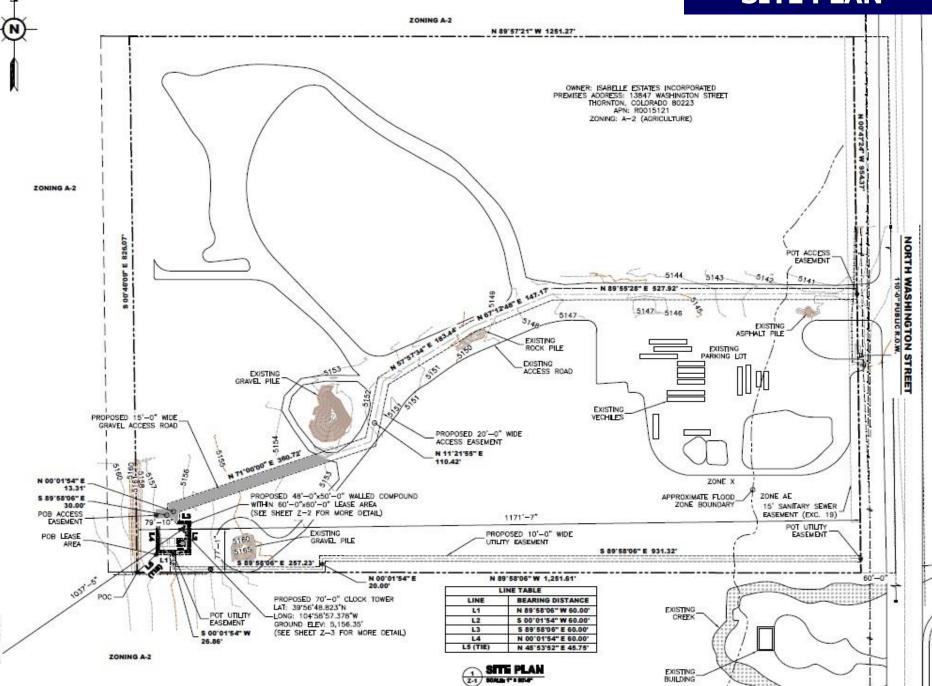
1. The applicant shall obtain a building permit for the telecommunications tower.

- 2. Any telecommunications facility that ceases to be in operation for a consecutive period of six months or more shall be removed from the site within 90 days of the end of such period of non-use.
- **3.** The applicant shall submit a performance bond in the amount of the cost for removal of the tower, or other adequate security bond as approved by the Director of Community and Economic Development and give the County the right to enter the property for removal of the tower. The bond documents shall be submitted and approved by the Director of Community and Economic Development prior to approval of any associated building permit.

Recommended Conditions

- 1. The Conditional Use Permit shall expire on May 1, 2023.
- 2. The height of the freestanding telecommunications tower shall not exceed 70 feet.
- **3.** The tower shall provide for co-location opportunities for other telecommunication tower providers.
- **4.** The clock feature on the tower must function and depict the correct time.
- 5. Access from Grant Street shall be pursued, and if granted by the City of Thornton, access easements to the tower from Grant Street will be obtained. In addition, if access is approved from Grant Street, existing access and utility easements from Washington Street shall be vacated.

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