

MANDATORY REFERRAL REPORT NO. 97-08
CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION
PLACEMENT OF A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION MONOPOLE
MARCH 1997

PROJECT LOCATION

AT&T has proposed the placement of a communications monopole at Carmel Road Park, located at 2635 Carmel Road.

PROJECT PROPOSAL

The pole will be designed to appear as a pine tree, and will be placed in an interior location where pine trees already exist. The height of the monopole is expected to be 110 feet. AT&T will build a new picnic pavilion in accordance with the park's master plan that will provide space for accompanying equipment in the rear storage area. Lease payments would also be made to the County.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The South Park District Advisory Council and Park & Recreation Commission have reviewed the proposal and unanimously endorsed the concept. AT&T has worked with Park & Recreation staff to design a pole placement that minimizes impact on the park.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROJECTS

This project will provide the indoor pavilion proposed for the park in the recently revised master plan for this location.

PROJECT IMPACT

A positive impact of this proposal is that the Parks & Recreation Commission would be generating income from the leasing arrangement which is proposed.

PROJECT COST

There is no cost to the County. The estimated value of the picnic pavilion is \$50,000. The proposed lease payment is \$15,000 per year. This is subject to negotiation by the County Manager.

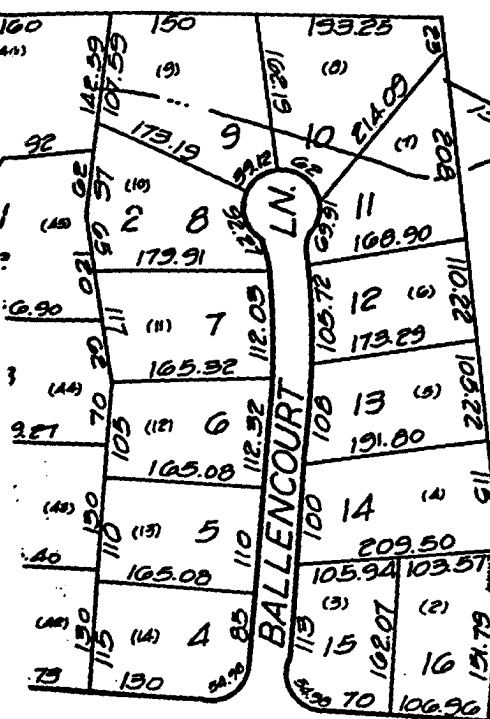
STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Accept the proposal for the monopole.

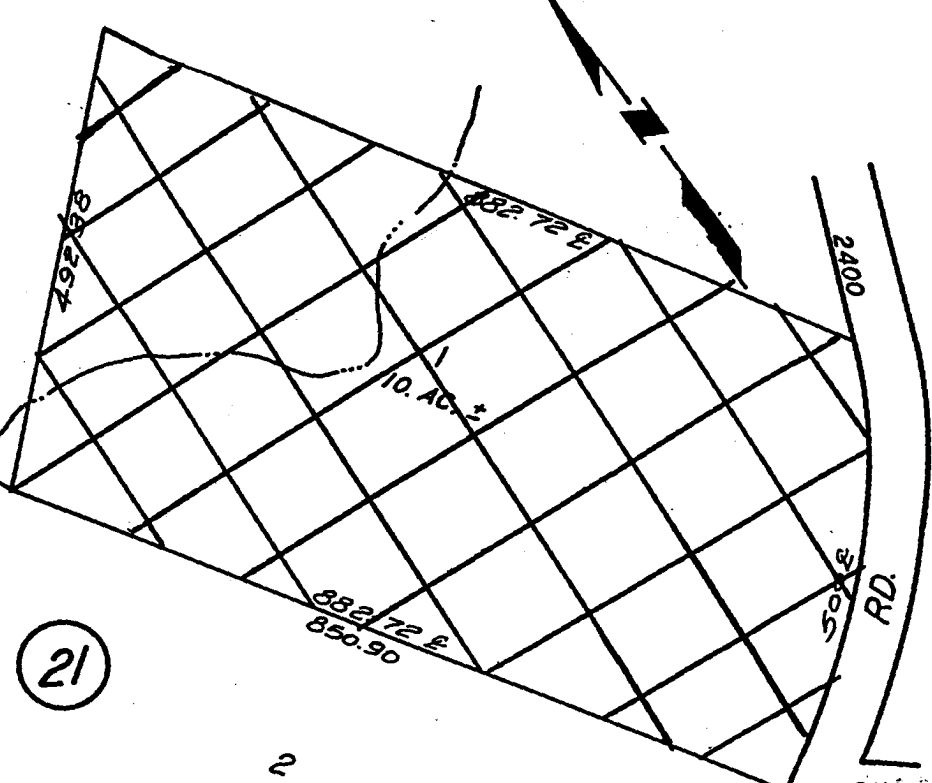
PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The proposal was unanimously approved.

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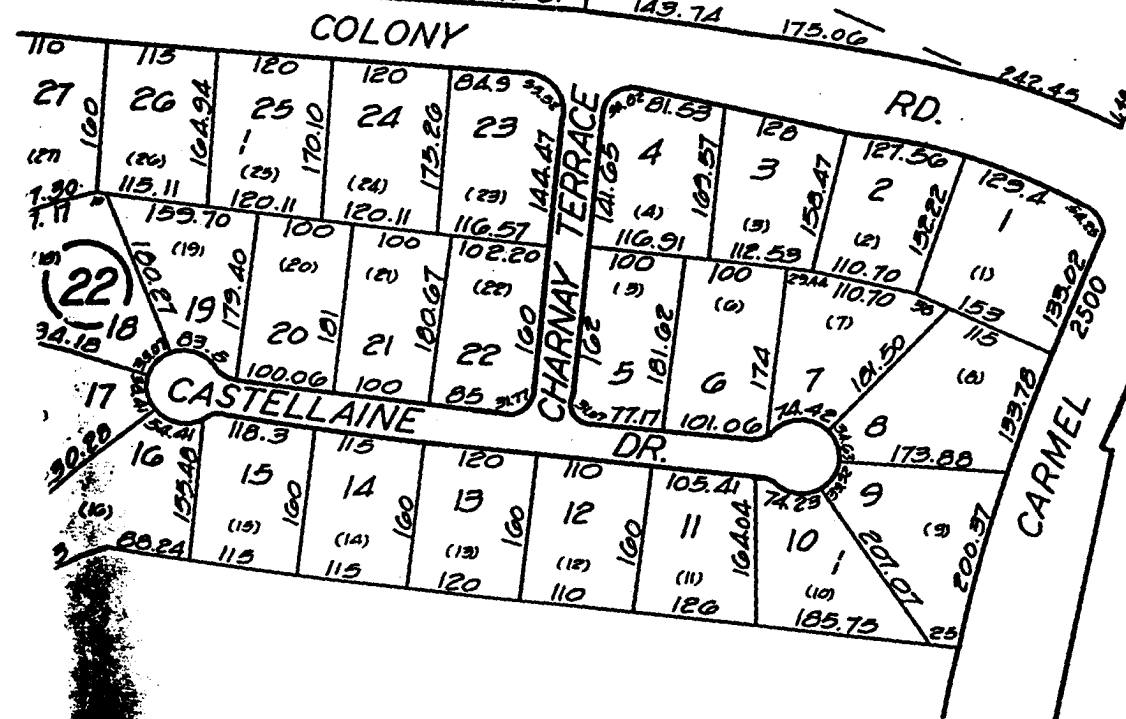


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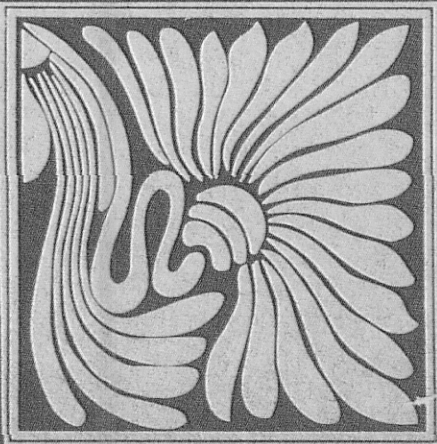
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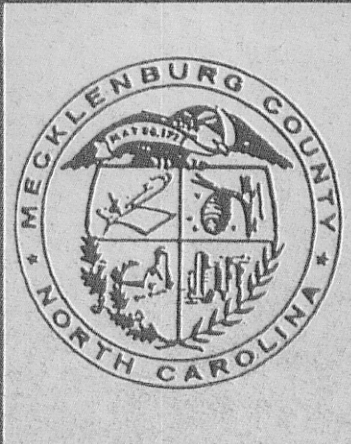
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Carmel Road Park Preliminary Master Plan

Stamp

Date 12/4/96
Scale 1"=30'

Revisions

No.	Description	Date	By

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ENTRANCES/PARKING

- Upgrade park signage (as necessary).
- Propose pursue installation of traffic signal at south entrance and Carmel Road.
- North entrance should be eliminated and parking layout adjusted.
- Expand entrance drive to assist with ingress/egress.
- Install low barrier hedge at parking to buffer Carmel Road.
- Parking should remain as two-way aisle with 90 degree parking spaces. Install sidewalk along park side of parking lot.
- Install planter islands at park access walks with ornamental plantings. (Handicap accessible)
- Repair and stripe lot (as necessary).

PARK ACCESS WALKS/TRAILS

- Maintain primary (central) park access walk to intersection with proposed perimeter walk. (remove walk/bridge beyond this point).
- Install ornamental tree plantings along walk and provide drinking fountain at intersection of walks.
- Install continuous perimeter trail throughout park accessing features and serving as a jogging/bicycle path. Bicycle racks to be installed in vicinity of primary components of park (tennis, ball fields, playground).

BASKETBALL COURT

- Expand existing basketball court to allow for full court play.
- Install protective fencing along north and west sides of court.

PLAYFIELDS

- Baseball Field**
 - Inspect backstop fence and repair/replaces necessary.
 - Install low, protective fencing along sides of field incorporating protected player dug-outs into fencing.
 - Optional shade awnings (perhaps sponsor provided) could also be incorporated over dug-outs.
 - Install terrace seating (low walls) into existing slope bank and install bleachers at northwest side of field.
 - Install protective buffer planting between ball field and playground area. This area could also serve as a shaded, informal seating area.
- Soccer Field**
 - Provide flush-mount corner benchmark points, regrade and grass field (as necessary).
 - Install terrace seating (low walls into existing slope bank with accompanying shade trees.
 - Allow for repositioning of baseball bleachers at south side of field.
 - Install large overstory and specimen trees in select locations along perimeter trail.

PLAYGROUND VICINITY

- Expand playground area toward interior of park. Play structures/equipment shall be selected to provide age-separated play areas.
- Install tot track around playground with bench locations.
- Remove existing fountain/pool.
- Inspect existing drinking fountain and repair/remove as warranted.

TENNIS COURTS

- Re-align existing tennis courts to a more acceptable north-south orientation.
- Verify/correct cross-slope and re-surface existing courts.
- Repair/replace existing fencing (as appropriate), and install partial divider fence between courts and locate individual court access gates as shown.
- Install new two court battery adjacent to existing courts (stepped with existing grade).
- Install backboard at end of west court.

EXISTING PICNIC SHELTER

- Remove existing structure and replace with new picnic shelter.

APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF CELLULAR PHONE TOWER

POTENTIAL STOP LIGHT
(CROSSWALK)

