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## **Via Hand Delivery**

Mr. James G. Murphy Miami Beach Planning Department Miami Beach City Hall 1700 Convention Center Dr. Miami Beach, FL 33139

Re: Crown Castle Fiber LLC Letter of Intent for the Installation of Small Wireless Facilities within the Design Districts in the City of Miami Beach

## Dear Mr. Murphy:

Crown Castle Fiber LLC ("Crown Castle") seeks to place a small wireless facilities network in the City of Miami Beach (the "City"), which will consist of placing fiber optic cable (underground) and nodes (utility poles containing telecommunications equipment) within the right of way. In order to meet the network coverage objectives of our customer, Crown Castle must place a portion of this network within the Design Districts in the City. This letter will serve as support for each of those applications.

# Description of the Project

As stated above, Crown Castle seeks to place a small wireless facilities network in Miami Beach in order to enhance the network capacity of its customer, which is a wireless carrier. The carrier has significant capacity issues in Miami Beach. In order to solve these capacity issues, small wireless facility nodes must be placed in the Design Districts within the City.

Below is a brief description of the locations:

FL6433 – 4076 Chase Ave, Miami Beach, FL 33140 FL6443 – 651 West Ave, Miami Beach, FL 33139 SFL10242 – 99 Alton Rd, Miami Beach, FL 33139 SFL10245 – 2 Washington Ave, Miami Beach, FL 33139 SFL10251 – 410 Alton Road, Miami Beach, FL 33139 SFL10275 – 1159 Dade Blvd, Miami Beach, FL 33139

# <u>Description of the Equipment</u>

Crown Castle has worked with the staff of Miami Beach Planning Department for two years to find a design for small wireless facility nodes, which would both meet the network objectives of its client and meet the city's aesthetic and safety concerns about placing small wireless facility nodes in the Design Districts. After much discussion and the recent passage of a new telecommunications ordinance by the City Commission addressing the installation of such technology in the City, Crown Castle has developed a stealth node which will function as both a street light pole and a telecommunications pole. An existing street light will be removed and replaced with a functioning small wireless facility stealth street light pole, which will not require additional ground equipment installed in the right of way.

#### Conclusion

Crown Castle has worked diligently with City staff to meet all of their concerns about placing small wireless facilities within the city, including the Design Districts. Crown Castle believes it has satisfied all of the City's concerns and accordingly requests that the Design Review Board approve its applications for the installation of small wireless facilities within certain Design Districts in the City.

Sincerely,

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