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California Chapter

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The Honorable Bill Quirk
State Capitol, Room 2163
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Neutral as Amended on AB 2421 (Quirk) Expedited Permitting of Backup Generates for Wireless Communications Facilities

Dear Assembly Member Quirk:

The American Planning Association, California Chapter (APA California) appreciates the recent amendments to your bill, AB 2421. AB 2421 requires a streamlined local permitting process for siting backup power generators on macro cellular tower sites through January 1, 2024 and applies a deemed approved provision to the application. With the amendments made on June 4, the bill now ensures all building and fire safety requirements must be met before the application to can be approved. With these important amendments, APA California will move to a neutral position on the bill. We appreciate your efforts to address our concerns and If you have any questions, please contact Lauren De Valencia, Stefan/George Associates, APA California's lobbyist, at 443-5301, lauren@stefangeorge.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Eric Phillips'.

Eric Phillips
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