

City of Sacramento Deploys its First Small Cell Site, Working with 5 BARS

SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 28, 2017 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Working with 5 BARS®, a leading innovator in Small Cell, distributed antenna systems (DAS) and Wi-Fi wireless services for intelligent infrastructure, the City of Sacramento has approved its first small cell test sites with two major wireless carriers.



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Sacramento has been inundated with permit applications for small cell wireless facilities in the right of way. In a race to densify existing networks, wireless providers often submit multiple applications, in some cases over 40 applications simultaneously. As Sacramento struggled to work with carriers on better designs and locations for each submission, the City reached out to 5 Bars to act as a liaison between the carriers and the city's planning department.

After an extensive RFP process, the City of Sacramento selected 5 Bars to develop a Wireless Master Plan on behalf of the City of Sacramento. 5 Bars is successfully working with all 4 major carriers to minimize visual blight and accelerate cellular coverage for the citizens of Sacramento.

"This initial small cell site is the direct result from a collaborative effort between 5 Bars, the City of Sacramento and the carriers. We worked in collaboration on an approval process and an aesthetically pleasing solution

that works for everyone,” said Darin Arcolino, IT Infrastructure Manager with the City of Sacramento.

As the California Legislature works to pass SB 649, a Bill that would preempt local authority on small cell siting by eliminating local zoning and aesthetic requirements, the City of Sacramento and 5 Bars proactively worked with the carriers to incentivize the deployment of wireless facility designs, where antennas and radios complement existing structures.

“We have been working diligently with the City of Sacramento and the carriers to ensure the citizens receive the benefits of great coverage, and the carriers get what they need. Orchestrating a solution that all parties can agree to in a timely manner is a win-win for all,” said Monnie McGaffigan, President 5 Bars.

As a result, the City of Sacramento has issued and built its first test site. Additionally, hundreds of applications are in process for smalls cells throughout the city. 5 Bars continues to work with the City of Sacramento towards its connected city goals.



About 5 Bars:

5 Bars is an Irvine, California, privately held premier provider of Wireless Master Plans for Counties, Cities and Large Scale Venues developing comprehensive wireless strategies through a unique holistic view of all assets, coverage and capacity. 5 Bars offers fully managed wireless solutions, network development, ownership and end-to-end management delivering commercial indoor and outdoor distributed antenna systems (DAS),

carrier-grade Wi-Fi networks, and small cell systems on behalf of properties and service providers.

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