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As an architectural historian with a master's degree in heritage conservation from USC School of Architecture, and board experience with several preservation-related organizations, including ten years of service on the Redondo Beach Preservation Commission, I have long admired Antioch's commitment to the restoration and revitalization of the El Campanil Theatre.

The current proposal to add a low profile, fully screened wireless facility to the roof of the theatre, together with ground-mounted supporting equipment at the rear of the building, will enhance communications capacity within the Rivertown neighborhood without detracting from the aesthetic qualities or historic character of this community landmark. These additions will not impact the street-level view of El Campanil's iconic Spanish Colonial Revival façade.

When viewed from the side and the rear, the roof-mounted facility will not appreciably alter the building's existing massing or scale; moreover, the new equipment screen will match the existing stucco walls and parapet banding in both color and texture. The ground-mounted supporting equipment will likewise be effectively screened by a mesh chain link fence whose color will match, and essentially blend into, the building.

This is a well-conceived and sensitively designed project that will benefit both the neighborhood and the theater.

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