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Feedback to Verizon Cell Tower Proposition - 574 Fort Laramie Drive

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Hi Teresa

Based on your feedback, I would like to appeal this approval.

Here are the reasons we believe Verizon's proposal should be rejected.

There are numerous residents within the affecting area sending emails or written feedback about the proposed Verizon Cell Tower Proposition - 574 Fort Laramie Drive.

I don't think the response we got so far has alleviated the concern residents have. Here are a few examples not limited to of issues residents have voiced:

1) Property values declining near cell towers, there are numerous examples in the following link.

<https://www.emfanalysis.com/property-values-declining-cell-towers/>

From NY Times:

"Property values play a big role, too. ... In a case in Hohokus, N.J., he said, a tax assessor determined that the aggregated value of property near a cell phone tower would drop as much as \$660,000."

https://archive.nytimes.com/www.nytimes.com/learning/teachers/featured_articles/20000907thursday.html

From Sunnyvale Municipal Code 19.6.19.80

*The purpose of this chapter is to promote the health, safety and general welfare by establishing a site and architectural design review process to improve the design quality of developments; enhance and **protect existing neighborhoods**; promote economic development; create a **strong and positive image for the city**; **improve property values**; and enhance the economic well-being of the city by promoting an **orderly, attractive, safe and efficient community**.*

•a number of organizations and studies have documented the detrimental effects of cell towers on property values.

•Peer-reviewed studies find that **property values decline by up to 20%** near cell towers. See

<http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf08353.html>,

<https://sites.google.com/site/nocelltowerinourneighborhood/home/decreased-real-estate-value>

•press coverage:

https://www.nytimes.com/2010/08/29/realestate/29Lizo.html?_r=1&ref=realestate

2)Co-location Requirement

Sunnyvale Municipal Code 19.54.140. a)

*Wherever technically feasible, wireless telecommunication service providers are encouraged to **co-locate telecommunication facilities** in order **to reduce adverse visual impacts**;*

Sunnyvale Municipal Code 19.54.140. b)

*Facilities which are not proposed to be co-located **shall provide a written explanation why the subject facility is not a candidate for co-location**.*

2) From "The Design Criteria for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities in the Right-of-Way is a City Council policy adopted by Resolution 951-19 on 7/16/19 that is not in the Sunnyvale Municipal Code. " There is no communication regarding this newly adopted resolution to the affected residents in this Fort Laramie Cellular Tower proposal. It is not available on Sunnyvale City website either. There was no feedback for the residents affected in this case to voice any concern or proposal for improvements for Resolution 951-19.

There are other concerns we will provide later once the Appeal is in progress.

We have also met with Mayor Klein to voice our concern regarding this specific proposal and other small cell facilities. He has explained to us the background of City Council policy adopted by Resolution 951-19, as well as the Appeal process. We feel like this may be a good opportunity for us to feedback not just this Antenna Proposal near Fort Laramie Dr, but also on the newly adopted Resolution 951-19 as well to make it more beneficial to Sunnyvale residents.

Thank you for your help and consideration.

Will Drop off the Appeal fee by 5pm today.

Thank you very much .

Best regards

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