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Hillsborough is in DIRE need of an effective communications upgrade; there's no question residents are fed up with spotty cell coverage in various parts of our town. However, the 16-tower proposal by Crown Castle from 2017 or thereabouts has never been vetted to show that they will actually solve our number one problem -- dropped calls and poor signal for cell calls.

Back in 2017, it was generally understood that these towers were rolled out for 5G deployment which supposedly would close a "significant gap" in coverage. Subsequently, after claims that 5G signals could not even penetrate walls and will not work in hilly topography, all of a sudden, the Town and the WCAC represented these towers were not part of a 5G roll-out. In short, there has not been **any** independent study done to show that these 16 towers will actually do what it says. It would be such a shame and a derelict of duty to go through everything that we did, having our streets dug up, having these eyesores installed in our neighborhoods, to then find out we still can't make calls on our cells?

As concerned citizens, we implore you to employ forward-looking technology rather than cookie cutter cell towers that are quite frankly outdated to address the needs of this town while at the same time preserving the character and beauty of our neighborhoods.

Thank you.

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