

From: [DOROTHY L FLETCHER](#)
To: [Wireless Comments](#)
Subject: CELL TOWERS IN HILLSBOROUGH
Date: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 7:13:04 PM

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

My name is Dorothy Fletcher (generations of my family have lived in Hillsborough for over 80 years) and I am very upset about the proposed cell towers in Hillsborough. Granted wireless communication is a necessity, however, it should not be granted at the expense of our town principles and guidelines. Why bother to have guidelines and laws if we ignore them when they become slightly inconvenient? In my view the city Council can either be honest and abide by guidelines or be corrupt and ignore them.

For example, the proposed tower on Chiltern at Ridgeway, if placed on the designated telephone pole WILL **EXCEED THE TOWN GUIDELINES FOR HEIGHT AS WELL AS SIZE**. Such a placement will also **IGNORE Hillsborough GUIDELINES FOR DISTANCE FROM HOME**.

Again, why bother to have laws and guidelines etc. if they are to be summarily ignored? I strongly urge the City Council to support our town's mandates.

SO THERE WILL BE NO DOUBT AS TO MY MEANING DO NOT ALLOW THE CELL TOWERS AS PROPOSED TO BE IMPLEMENTED.

Thank you,

Dorothy Fletcher


From: [Julie Rumberger](#)
To: [Wireless Comments](#)
Subject: Wireless tower near Vista park
Date: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 12:18:24 PM

Hi:

I reside at [REDACTED], and I ask that you deny the application for the cell tower application near my property. Unfortunately, I cannot attend the meeting (my daughter is graduating from college). However, I have done some research and it seems that we should be able to require stricter safety standard, including greater setbacks from home. Also, the towers would not only be more esthetically consistent with the neighborhood, but also safer. I am concerned both about our property value, but more importantly the children's safety when playing at Vista or in the street near the towers. When safety is an issue, I don't understand why the Council would rush application approvals.

Best

Julie Rumberger

[REDACTED]

From: [Melissa K](#)
To: [Wireless Comments](#)
Subject: Please OPPOSE Crown Castle's application June 28
Date: Thursday, June 10, 2021 7:29:25 PM

Dear Town Council,

My husband and I are Hillsborough residents and write to respectfully ask you to vote AGAINST Crown Castle's application on June 28. We support improved cellular service for our town, but this particular proposal is not the solution.

Our concerns have been well-articulated by a neighbor, whose language I borrow here:

No Co-location possible: Crown Castle stated co-location is not possible for the currently planned towers. This causes at least two immediately apparent issues: First, if approved, these towers will only serve Verizon customers. Second, and even worse, if these towers are approved, Hillsborough will be required to allow AT&T and T-Mobile to install another thirty or more 35' towers around Town. Federal law requires all three carriers receive the same accommodations. The towers under consideration each violate up to seven of our design standards and are as few as 23 feet from homes. If we approve them, it will be legally impossible to stop other carriers from installing similar designs so close to homes. No Emergency service: Crown Castle verified that these towers do not have backup power. During PG&E shutoffs and natural disasters, these towers will not function. Retrofitting: These towers, and any others that will be installed by AT&T and T-Mobile, will probably require bulky generators added at some point. This is the only way to meet CPUC's excellent July 2020 regulation requiring 72 hours of backup power. Crown Castle hid this fact from the Town until a savvy resident questioned how the towers would meet the regulation. Crown Castle knowingly submitted a design that doesn't meet current California safety regulations. What else have they lied about? We agree that Hillsborough needs better wireless coverage. The current plan was developed in secret, without public debate. The process shut out town residents, with WCAC meetings never announced to the public and backdoor agreements with Crown Castle. This is a complex issue - we need advice from industry experts to understand the technical options. We also need open discussion about what residents' priorities are and how to meet them. A fair number of residents seem to believe these towers will provide 5G service, which is not at all true. These towers can only deliver last-generation technology. Hillsborough deserves a plan that: 1. Provides access to all three carriers 2. Will function in an emergency 3. Will not leave us open to AT&T, Verizon, and T-Mobile installing more 35 foot towers as close as 23 feet from homes 4. Will serve Hillsborough for the next 20 years 5. Will not deliver surprise design changes soon after installation We ask you to work with residents and outside technical advisors to create the right plan for Hillsborough. Thanks for your attention.

Sincerely,
Melissa & Gerrit Klaerner

From: [Robin Raborn](#)
To: [Wireless Comments](#)
Date: Friday, June 11, 2021 7:15:23 AM

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Sit too long and you will rust. Sent from my iPad