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**Subject:** Cell tower H-32  
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Please see attachment  
Please read into record  
Thank you,  
Arlene Bernstein

June 11, 2021

To: Council members and Staff  
From: Dr. Philip and Arlene Bernstein  
RE: Cell Tower H-32

On May 27<sup>th</sup> we heard Mr. Willis state that in selecting sites for the 13 cell towers is was a priority to not impact individual homes and that he had visited all of the sites. Our home on Link Road is directly under H-32. Mr. Willis has not visited our home. Inspecting the site of the pole at the intersection of Chiltern and Ridgeway does not show the impact on our home – only a visit to our backyard will show you.

The photos on the signboard are also misleading. The aerial view of our home is from 2017 and is from an angle that hides most of the backyard. The other photos are from 2019 and the surrounding foliage has since been thinned and pruned for aesthetics and fire danger.

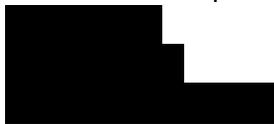
Our home is on a hill so the existing 28' pole starts about 15' above our home – from our home it seems like a 43' pole – viewed from 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, our kitchen window and our entire backyard. This business of measuring distance to the front of homes – not the back – doesn't make much sense. We don't entertain in the front of our home or sit outdoors and read in the front of our home – our living space is in our yard and H-32 is probably 20 feet from our pool and seating area and only a few feet further from our outdoor dining table. When the pole is not seen, it is just hiding behind the top of a tree. The proposal for this pole is to add 9' – yes 9' to make it a 37' pole (36'9") – much higher than our 32' design standard.

Now I'll address the attached equipment box. It is not ground mounted like many others, but attached above 8' (I think the application says 11 or 12'), while our wall is only 6'. The box is much larger than any I have seen on poles and definitely larger than our design standards allow. It would be very ugly and noticeable on the pole, at our beautiful intersection, and of course, our backyard. Crown Castle claims "no mechanical noise", but the box we pass on the pole at 228 Ridgeway hums.

It would be very irresponsible to even consider H-32 without visiting our backyard to view the impact on our home, our well-being and our property value. We don't mean only Council members – we mean Council members and all members of the staff involved in researching, analyzing and advising regarding these towers. Besides Council members we welcome our city engineers, our city attorneys, our city manager and anyone else involved in the process. We welcome representatives from Crown Castle as well.

I don't think I could ever explain the torture this has caused my family for the past 11 months. Please deny H-32 or find an alternative location that does not cause harm to any family.

We appreciate your consideration,  
Arlene and Philip Bernstein



**From:** [Pamela Webb](#)  
**To:** [Wireless Comments](#)  
**Subject:** Wireless communication pole at Ralston & eucalyptus  
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This is the most public and visible intersection in Hillsborough. Hundreds of cars pass this intersection every day. The Gate House at this intersection is the iconic image of Hillsborough and an important part of Hillsborough history.

A cellular communication tower at this intersection would deface the site and ruin the beauty and historical significance of the iconic and only remaining Gate House in Hillsborough.

I ask the City Council to not approve a cell tower for this site.

Respectfully, Dr. Pamela Webb

Sent from my iPhone