

October 14, 2020

TO: Salt Lake City Planning Commission

FROM: Judi Short, Vice Chair and Land Use Chair

Sugar House Community Council

RE: PLNPCM2020-00284 Stealth Cell Tower Amendments

We realize that you are trying to streamline the permit process, but this is one instance where we disagree with you. We understand that we all are dependent on cellular connectivity, but that doesn't mean we can just allow the companies to build wherever they please because it is easy and convenient, without the neighbors having the ability to weigh in on the process. We have already given in to the fact that there is or might be some radiation that is dangerous to our health, we cannot control that. But we should be able to have some say in what these towers look like in our neighborhoods.

We certainly hope the technology has improved enough that these towers are getting more realistic and less fake looking. We are all dependent on having good Wi-Fi. A search on the internet shows a number of different options for these towers, some quite creative. These need to be tastefully chosen to blend in with the current surroundings. The surrounding neighborhood, those who live within a couple of blocks, should be asked for input on the design. We ask for the wider range of input because these will be visible from further than 300 feet. They should not be allowed right on the street, but rather towards the rear, or at the rear, of a parcel. 60' should be the height limitation. If there is a request for a taller tower, there should be legitimate technological reasons why that height is justified, like the buildings all around are all 75' tall.

I have enclosed comments I received from the community.

Enclosure: Comments Stealth Cellular towers

COMMENTS REGARDING STEALTH CELL TOWER AMENDMENTS

From: Travis Julian <deusestlux@icloud.com><1724 e Wilson Ave>

Subject: Stealth Cell Tower Text Amendment

Message Body:

Please do not allow this to take place, there is quite a bit of research on the negative effects of these towers and their radiation causing health problems. It would be foolish to allow them so close to residential properties, it's not worth the risk- please do not allow this. Thank you for your consideration.

From: Adam Rees <motox241@gmail.com><1863 S 2000E>

Subject: Stealth Cell Tower Text Amendment

Message Body:

I do not want these stealth towers in my neighborhood.

From: Misty Morris <mstymorris@yahoo.com><1839 E Westminster Ave>

Subject: Stealth Cell Tower Text Amendment

Message Body:

No. I do not agree with allowing the structures without a process. If you want to put a structure anywhere, you should go through a permit/ approval process. Do not take our voice away by allowing an amendment to the process to pass.

Thanks.

From Nextdoor Julian Travis

The lack of testing on this radiation so close to residents should concern everyone. Governments around the world have ignored legitimate concerns from many scientists just to rush the process along for the almighty dollar . More testing should be demanded by the citizens before they continue to blanket us with more potentially harmful radiation. https://www.gaia.com/article/5g-health-risks-the-war-between-technology-and-human-beings

Brussels and Geneva have blocked the rollout of 5G due to health concerns, to me that's enough to take a critical look at the potential risks and not just dismiss it as a conspiracy theory as so many are doing to our detriment. We should inform ourselves before allowing this potential hazard.

https://ehtrust.org/wp-content/uploads/Scientist-5G-appeal-2017.pdf

Clark Burbidge via sendgrid.net

10:35 AM (2 hours ago)

From: Clark Burbidge <<u>clarkburbidge@gmail.com</u>><2017 S 2000 E>

Subject: Stealth Cell Tower Text Amendment

Message Body:

Please require all businesses to go through a public process for all changes that impact the community!

rom: Lynn Schwarz < lsbx101@gmail.com >< 2023 East Crystal Ave> Subject: Stealth Cell Tower Text Amendment

Message Body:

I do not think this should be an as-of-right use. This should be a conditional use to allow for public input so that an inappropriately sized or designed pole cannot be erected. I believe the public should always have a means to voice their concerns about what is built on their property or in their neighborhoods.