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Agenda Item #40. Cellco Partnership, dba Verizon Wireless

Regarding your master agreement with Verizon to install 4 more 5G towers at TUC Mile Wide, TUC Ironwood Hill, TUC Alegre, and TUS Sunset Road and continue to maintain the existing 5G towers at TUC Finisterra and TUC Orange Grove for five years.

Greetings,

Please table this agenda item until an independent study has been conducted regarding the safety and health implications of EMF Electromagnetic frequencies. EMF has been labeled as carcinogenic. Some experts stated that the WiFi waves cause brain cancers in small children. Their skulls are not fully developed and are softer until fully mature. I am very concerned, that these invasive towers go up near schools. That seems counter productive and unfair to the children. I am alarmed that there are suddenly 5 cell phone towers of various sizes and looks very close by. Our Homeowner's association has not been contacted nor has anyone ask the population for comment or consent.

I found this article, please read.

Electromagnetic Sensitivity (EMS) is the name given by the U.S. Access Board to the condition whereby individuals exposed to radiofrequency (RF) Radiation from smartphones, WiFi, cell towers, smart meters and other wireless devices experience adverse health effects or worsening of existing health conditions. Prevalence estimates indicate that up to 30% of the population suffers from some form of EMS. It is past time that EMS is recognized and addressed.

I applaud the FCC's initial effort and fully support the emphasis on "harms experienced by historically excluded and marginalized communities"

and the desire for "meaningful policy reforms and systems improvements, as well as a framework for collaborative action to extend digital opportunity to everyone.

" However, I also support the commission's enunciated goals to advance "equity in the provision of and access to digital communication services and products

for all people of the United States, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, or disability."

The author believes that forcing exposure – even as part of a genuine effort to afford broadband access – is itself a form of discrimination as a matter of law.

More importantly, it is fundamentally inequitable because it leads to great harm: people with severe symptoms are functionally excluded from

public participation since almost all public spaces are flooded with RF, and those with wireless facilities nearby cannot even take refuge in their homes.

Please consider to

- Prioritize "fiber to the premises (FTTP)" solutions. The goal is to bring fiber as close to the user as possible, to use a copper tail for short distances where necessary, and to resort to wireless technology as a last resort.
- Allow equal access to broadband in a form that does not threaten or worsen the health and well-being of RF-sensitive individuals, especially those with EMS disabilities. Individuals who cannot be around RF must have the ability, as a matter of right, to obtain wired (fiber-based) broadband.
- Provide RF-free "safe zones" in public spaces and buildings to ensure inclusion in public life.
- I request that you prioritize #FiberFirst and halt the expansion of wireless services to protect the EMS-disabled.

Thank you.

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