

Katrina Martinez

From: Don Hayles [REDACTED] >
Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 5:07 PM
To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: BoS meeting Feb 4, 2025 Agenda Item#30

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Hello, Here are our comments and recommendations for Addendum Item #30.
Thanks,
Don & Pat Hayles
2-3-2025

Agenda Item #30 and Addendum Item #1:
Agenda Item #30: Development Services - Hearing - Conditional Use Permit.
Addendum Item #1: Executive Session - Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), for legal advice and discussion relating to Vertical Bridge, L.L.C.'s request for a Type III Conditional Use Permit

Both of these items are related to a request to install an 80-foot tall wireless 4G LTE/5G communication tower at 10510 W. Massingale Road (Picture Rocks area). Despite a submission of a Biological Impact Report by Vertical Bridge, there have been numerous and apparently unanimous statements of opposition from Pima County residents against this installation. The Planning and Zoning Commission are on the side of the people in this case and recommending denial.

Recommended action for Agenda item #30: We do not need additional 5G towers installed in our county. Residents themselves state that there is no gap in cell coverage and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommend denial. There is no reason to add one more tower except to fill the pockets of Vertical Bridge.

Gizelle Morales

ADD1

From: Pen Drake [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 2:16 PM
To: COB_mail; District5; District3; District4; District2; District1
Subject: Re: NO on agenda item 30 & addendum #1

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Regarding the item #30 as to the cell tower placement today, and following up on this email I've sent previously, a lot of people don't know this yet, because they wouldn't unless they've had direct experience, a mono-eucalyptus such as this is the same as the one I have complained about on my street. They shed their plastic leaves everywhere, every time the wind blows. The one on Golder Ranch and Bowman has lost at least half of its original leaves and they litter the ground all over our neighborhood, our land, our roofs, our livestock areas, for hundreds of feet around. The wildlife chews on them and takes them into their dens. This design needs to be changed in a big way before the tower gets approval next to our state/national parks.

-HM

On Sun, Feb 2, 2025 at 3:16 PM Pen Drake [REDACTED] wrote:
Dear clerk and BOS,

Regarding
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VOTE AGAINST THESE PLACEMENTS. We do NOT need any more cell towers. The county has forced these onto residents who in turn suffer from noise that is both audible and inaudible. My child has complained of the screeching noise since she was 4 and a cell tower was placed 300 feet from us and was activated on Nov. 4, 2019. I know what day it was activated because I heard it. It was like someone's alarm was going off. It came from everywhere and nowhere all at once. I had been checking the field intensity with an acoustimeter and confirmed that it was off that weekend and was activated on monday. I will never forget it, because I didn't know it at the time but it was that weekend was the last time we would ever hear quiet. Now the "silence" is...literally screaming.

Our pleas fell on the deaf ears of the County and the Verizon tower's host, Golder Ranch Fire Department. My youngest is now 7 and still complains that her ears hurt and what she states sounds "like a device that's broken and can't stop screaming". My older son has the same sensations, as do I, but we cannot continue complaining every day of our lives, no one cares, we're told we are crazy or over-reacting. I've even been made out to be the bad guy for complaining that this thing you folks approved over there is physically harming us. I was told that it was considered a threat to accuse the county and GRFD of harming us. Absurd.

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It's really frustrating that the county has steamrolled over us like our lives and our pain doesn't matter as long as the folks in the subdivision across the street can stream games and videos all day long. We never had a gap in service. We could always make phone calls and 911 calls just fine. The county needs to require a needs test proving that there is a SIGNIFICANT gap in coverage, and they won't find one, because there aren't any around here.

While we're on it, I am again reminding you that the Cell tower at Golder Ranch and Bowman is hurting our kids, and me, and you still haven't done anything about it, except renew their permit, of course. It's awful, we're hurting, it's real and it sucks that you're the only people who can stop it but you just don't want to open that can of worms, not for us.

It's ugly, and blocks the views, disrupts the character of the neighborhood, litters plastic leaves all year long, and that's all you need to veto a permit you don't have to make it about health at all. Don't do this to anyone else. A lot of folks won't know what hit them.

-Heidi Miller