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To: [Kirschmann, Robert](#)
Subject: Docket SU-19-08(VTC-Cochise)
Date: Sunday, August 25, 2019 9:58:18 PM

CAUTION: EXTERNAL EMAIL*

Dear Mr. Kirschmann:

The following is my comment regarding the applicant's request for a Special Use Authorization as described in Docket SU-19-08(VTC-Cochise).

As a former resident of Cochise, Arizona and student at Cochise Elementary, **I do not support this request.** (Also, I care about kids.)

Not only does the placement of a 100 foot telecom tower on school grounds seem highly inappropriate, it is likely to pose a health risk for the students and teaching personnel. The Department of Interior, in consideration of the potential destructive or negative effects on sensitive wildlife areas has recommended that cell towers not be sited near those areas; Local governments such as Boonville, Arkansas, Petaluma, California, and Mason, Ohio have passed ordinances prohibiting cell towers (including 5G small cells) from residential areas and requiring setbacks from sensitive locations such as schools, hospitals, etc.) It seems to me that the children, also sensitive, should be given similar consideration.

And while lack of sufficient data prevents a final determination as to whether or not Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Field Exposure poses a health risk to the human body, there is a fair amount of evidence to admit that as a good possibility. It has been determined by some researchers that RF-EMF exposure can induce changes in the central nervous system, such as neuronal cell apoptosis and an alteration in the function of the nerve myelin and ion channels, as well as acting as a general stress source in living creatures. But they state that further research and experimentation are needed before a final decision can be made. (Ref. *Pub Med, May 2019, Possible Effects of Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Field Exposure on Central Nervous System*)

There are other impacts to consider: the constructing of the tower in itself; site leveling; on-going maintenance that would be required; the traffic, noise, and general disturbance that would ensue.

Please note at any future meetings or public hearings my opposition to this matter.

Sincerely,

Marian Carter
501 Tuckaway Drive
Elkton, Oregon 97436

Tax Parcel Numbers COC-MU8ABYHK and COC-JPTVKH7U

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Special Use Docket SU-19-08 (VTC- Cochise)

YES, I SUPPORT THIS REQUEST

Please state your reasons:

NO, I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS REQUEST:

Please state your reasons:

(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

PRINT NAME(S):

Julian M. Samuel - Geryl L Samuel

SIGNATURE(S):

Julian M. Samuel
Geryl L Samuel

YOUR TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 20403028A + 20403028B (the eight-digit identification number found on the tax statement from the Assessor's Office)

Your comments will be made available to the Planning Commission. Submission of this form or any other correspondence becomes part of the public record and is available for review by the applicant or other members of the public. Written comments must be received no later than 4 PM on Monday August 26, 2019 to be included in the staff report to the Commission in order for them to consider the comments before the meeting. We cannot make exceptions to this deadline; however, if you miss the written comment deadline you may still send email comments, or phone Robert Kirschmann at the contact information listed on page one by September 10, 2019 to have your support or non-support noted verbally noted at the meeting; or you may personally make a statement at the public hearing on September 11, 2019. NOTE: Please do not ask the Commissioners to accept written comments or petitions at the meeting; your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

RETURN TO: Robert Kirschmann, Planner II
Cochise County Planning Department
1415 Melody Lane, Building E
Bisbee, AZ 85603

August 13, 2019

Robert Kirschmann Planner II
Cochise County Community Development
1415 Melody Lane, Building E
Bisbee, Arizona 85603

Re: Docket SU-19-08 (VTC Cochise)

To Whom It May Concern:

I do have concerns about the property owned by the Cochise Elementary School District which a proposed 100 ft Tower and equipment to be installed, on a .83 acre, located at 5025 N Bowie Ave in Cochise, AZ.

Not only has a large solar panel and bone yard been installed next to our property, now a 100 ft Tower is being asked for. The view has been destroyed and we believe the solar panels have caused problems with our personal internet/cell service. These all could have been installed on the South side of the school which would have been on the boarder of farm land not private home owner property.

We need to know will the tower effect our current internet service, cell, or streaming. Could there be any other problems connected with having a 100ft cell tower close to a residential property? The town of Cochise has been in need of internet service for the last 13 years, yet Valley Connections, LLC refused to supply the town with internet service while they were providing service to the Cochise Elementary School.

Any new information concerning this project would be appreciated.

Thank you,

J.M. Samuel
Henry L Samuel

Special Use Docket SU-19-08 (VT COUNTY Cochise)

COCHISE COUNTY

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YES, I SUPPORT THIS REQUEST

Please state your reasons:

Blank lines for providing reasons for support.

NO, I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS REQUEST:

Please state your reasons:

A 100-foot RF tower on the historic Cochise Elementary School grounds is inappropriate, unwise, and unnecessary. It will present a demoralizing visual blight and a health hazard to children. To choose the short-term benefits of "faster internet service" over the health & well-being of children is shameful & will be regretted.

(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

PRINT NAME(S):

Carol Meere

SIGNATURE(S):

Carol Meere

YOUR TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 204-03-045 (the eight-digit identification number found on the tax statement from the Assessor's Office) 204-03-046

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July 19, 2019

Troy Judd, CFO
Valley TeleCom Group
752 E. Maley Avenue
Willcox, AZ 85643

COCHISE COUNTY
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Dear Troy,

I oppose the construction of a 100-foot RF tower on the Cochise Elementary School grounds for the following reasons:

Unnecessary RF exposure to the school children; The World Health Organization has deemed non-ionizing radiation a possible carcinogen. Safeinschool.org reports, "Doctors and Scientists around the world have warned against unnecessary exposure of children to RF/microwave technology and recommend safer WIRED internet connection instead, both at home and at school." The Environmental Health Trust advises, "**Wired fiber optic connections are safer, faster, more reliable, provide greater capacity and are more cyber-secure.**"

Visual blight; A historic landmark should not be disfigured by a 100-foot tower.

Construction hazards; Children will be exposed to construction/maintenance worker traffic. Of additional concern is the fact that Valley TeleCom workers will not have received the necessary background clearance required of school staff.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Carol Meere
1129 E. Village Circle Drive S.
Phoenix, AZ 85022
602-402-4317
adinfosys@aol.com

Cc: Cochise Elementary School Board
Karl Uterhardt, Superintendent Cochise Elementary School

August 22, 2019

Jacqui Clay, Superintendent
Cochise School District
1415 Melody Lane, Bldg. C
Bisbee, Arizona 85603

Re: Proposed Valley TeleCom 100-foot RF tower on Cochise Elementary School grounds

Dear Superintendent Clay,

The installation of a 100-RF tower on the Cochise Elementary School ground is the wrong solution to the Cochise community's desire for "faster internet" service. This tower will deface a historic landsite, creating an eyesore to the entire community.

More significantly, the long-term health risks that RF exposure poses to children are a major concern. The World Health Organization reports that RF radiation (EMF) exposure is a possible carcinogen and animal studies have shown a link between brain cancer and EMFs. Experts state that EMF radiation from wireless technology disrupts cellular function "well below the thermal threshold mandated by the FCC." A wireless tower erected in the proximity of school children is not only a health risk but also a liability.

I would like to offer a better solution to the community's desire for faster internet service. My sister, Marian Carter, and I would like to donate property to the Cochise School district on which the tower can be installed. The donated property description is; parcel 204-05-001 A6, lots 1 & 2 in block 1 and parcel 204-05-00107, lots 3 & 4 in block 1. Parcel 204-05-00107 borders Sulphur Springs Street and has easy access. All Blk 1 lots, in East Cochise Townsite, (26,226 sq. feet) are contiguous and will be donated.

The advantages to this solution are:

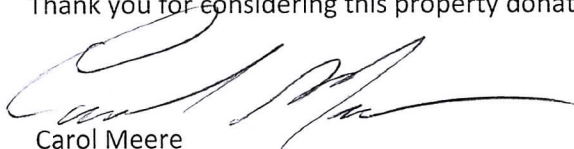
Children will not be exposed to RF radiation.

The tower will be set back from Rath Avenue, therefore less visible.

The historic Cochise Elementary School grounds will not be defaced by a 100-foot RF tower.

This donated property would be for the sole purpose of the erection of the Valley TeleCom RF tower. No monetary obligations are required of the Cochise School district. A safe, nontoxic environment for the school children is all that we expect in return.

Thank you for considering this property donation offer.



Carol Meere
1129 E. Village Circle Drive S.
Phoenix, Arizona 85022

Note: Superintendent Uterhardt has not responded to my correspondence or calls.

Cc: Karl Uterhardt and Troy Judd @ Valley TeleCom

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Tax Summary

Current Owner Name & Mailing Address
 CARTER MARIAN M
 2149 E NORMA
 WEST COVINA, CA 91791

Legal Description
 EAST COCHISE LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 1

Interest Date: [Make a Payment](#)

Parcel #	Tax Year	Status	Billed	Int/Fees	Tax Paid	Due
204-05-001A6	2018	TAX	\$11.24	\$0.00	\$11.24	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2017	TAX	\$11.32	\$0.00	\$11.32	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2016	TAX	\$9.10	\$0.00	\$9.10	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2015	TAX	\$11.52	\$0.00	\$11.52	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2014	TAX	\$11.72	\$0.00	\$11.72	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2013	TAX	\$9.72	\$0.00	\$9.72	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2012	TAX	\$10.28	\$0.00	\$10.28	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2011	TAX	\$9.26	\$0.00	\$9.26	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2010	TAX	\$9.34	\$0.00	\$9.34	\$0.00
204-05-001A6	2009	TAX	\$9.54	\$0.00	\$9.54	\$0.00
Total Due:						\$0.00

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Tax Summary

Current Owner Name & Mailing Address
 MEERE CAROL A
 COCHISE LAND LLC
 1129 E VILLAGE CIRCLE DR S
 PHOENIX, AZ 85022

Legal Description
 EAST COCHISE LOTS 3 & 4 BLK 1

Interest Date: [Make a Payment](#)

Parcel #	Tax Year	Status	Billed	Int/Fees	Tax Paid	Due
204-05-00107	2018	TAX	<u>\$33.90</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$33.90</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2017	TAX	<u>\$33.96</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$33.96</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2016	TAX	<u>\$27.28</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$27.28</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2015	TAX	<u>\$34.58</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$34.58</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2014	TAX	<u>\$35.18</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$35.18</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2013	TAX	<u>\$29.16</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$29.16</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2012	TAX	<u>\$30.86</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$30.86</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2011	TAX	<u>\$27.80</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$27.80</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2010	TAX	<u>\$28.02</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$28.02</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
204-05-00107	2009	TAX	<u>\$28.60</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$28.60</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Due:						\$0.00

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