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**[MPC Comment] Opposition to 5-B-15-UR**

1 message

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Wed, May 13, 2015 at 10:03 AM

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Greetings,

I am writing to express my concern regarding case number 5-B-15-UR, the proposed cell tower to be built on very near my home on Ridgecrest Dr. I strongly oppose this tower being built because of the disruption it will cause to our residential atmosphere.

While there are many areas on the ridge that have no homes nearby, the lot selected is entirely encircled by homes which would suffer value loss if the tower is permitted to be constructed. The characteristics of the neighborhood would be dramatically altered due to the aesthetic trauma and loss of zoning continuity. I firmly believe the tower would cause value losses that would translate to a shift from owner occupant properties to leased properties. This can be demonstrated in other areas in which large telecom towers have been built directly adjacent to homes.

It is my intention to follow every reasonable path to avoid the towers construction. In consultation with real-estate professionals my concerns have been validated and it is my intention to bring relevant professionals into the fold to aid in this process.

I hope you will honor the wishes of the majority of the residents in this area. I am confident that you would not destroy our community by altering the zoning to allow a gas station to be built and there is no reason to do so for a cell tower.

Thank you ,

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**[MPC Comment] Opposition to 5-B-15-UR**

1 message

**Carrera Romanini** <carrera.harris@gmail.com>

Tue, May 12, 2015 at 9:29 PM

Reply-To: carrera.harris@gmail.com

To: commission@knoxmpc.org

Good evening,

I am writing to express my concern regarding case number 5-B-15-UR, the proposed cell tower to be built on Ridgecrest Dr. east of Hollyhock Lane. I vehemently oppose this tower being built because it will be distasteful and distracting to this quiet residential area. I have been a resident of Hollyhock Lane for 5 years. What I cherish most about the area is the low traffic, beautiful old homes, and natural forests.

The tower is out of place with the existing neighborhood and negatively impacts all nearby residents. Land already zoned for commercial use would be a much more appropriate option for a cell tower because it would not hurt the current residents the way this proposed location would. I urge you to oppose this tower.

The tower's builder, T-Mobile, is strictly interested in financial and commercial gain. Neither of these are in the interest or safety of the residents nearby. Further, this tower will diminish the home values in this area because of the negative aesthetics of the tower as well as the public's perception of

health hazards related to cell phone towers. This will reduce the resale value of our homes because some people refuse to purchase a home near a cell phone tower.

I hope you will honor the wishes of the majority of the residents in this area. Only one home will benefit financially from this tower being built while the rest of us will suffer from decreased home values, increase in traffic, and a reduction to the natural beauty of this area.

Thank you for your consideration,

Carrera

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**[MPC Comment] In Opposition to 5-B-15-UR**

1 message

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Tue, May 12, 2015 at 9:41 PM

Reply-To: WLRomanini@gmail.com

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Dear MPC,

I am writing you to express my concern over the proposal of the cell phone tower on Ridgecrest Drive (case number 5-B-15-UR). My main concerns of the tower are decreased property value, increase large commercial vehicle traffic, and the destruction of natural forest habitat.

It is hard to believe that there is any residential neighborhood in this country that would benefit from having a cell phone tower build in it. I, as well as my neighbors, are opposed to the destruction of our neighborhood with such an unsightly and unnatural structure. A residential neighborhood is not the place for a cell phone tower. I believe that there are other appropriate locations that will better accommodate this tower while allowing our neighborhood to remain unaltered.

The question you must ask yourself is, how would you feel if a cell phone company showed up in your neighborhood and tried to build a 150 foot metal tower, access road, all while destroying the natural landscape of your neighborhood? I find it hard to believe that any person reading this email would not be opposed to these actions if it was happening to them. Therefore, I urge you to stop the construction of this tower and destruction of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,  
William Romanini

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