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Supervisor Lachterman and Town Board Members,

Before we begin, we request that this email be included in the comments for the Homeland Towers project at 62 Granite Springs Rd. and in the comments to the planning board for the same project.

We were unable to stay for the resolution regarding the hiring of Mr. Fishman as a consultant to review the proposed cell tower, but did watch the video online today. The discussion regarding the scope of what is under review by him was extremely important. In order to be fully informed about the needs, issues and possible solutions there needs to be an intensive review of all aspects of the project, not just the RF concerns. We ask that the town board post on the pending project page the exact scope of work that he is reviewing since it will be beyond what is listed in the resolution that you approved last night.

During your discussion last night Councilwoman Siegel asked about hiring an additional consultant to review the project. She mentioned a person recommended by a speaker at the courtesy of the floor and Cityscape. The town board or Homeland Towers has repeatedly at every board meeting or advisory board meeting referred to the Cityscape report as the justification for the need for this infrastructure project. The Cityscape report is actually the Northern Westchester County Cooperative Wireless Communications Master Plan that was published in June 2023. This master plan provides a clear, independent review of the infrastructure needs within our community and the surrounding area. If your goal is to truly provide an independent opinion to the public, the board should have Cityscape come to the public hearing. Since the board and the applicant are using this plan as a basis for why this project is necessary, the residents have a right to hear what the Cityscape plan actually states. The Wireless Telecommunication Infrastructure Analysis for Yorktown which is an appendix to the master plan should be presented in its entirety. While some residents may think that this does not affect them because they don't live in our neighborhood, they should be made aware that there is a plan for infrastructure throughout the entire town. True transparency and open communication should require this information be provided to the residents. The members of the board spoke last night regarding the solar panels and the cell tower that it is important to do it right. The "right thing" is to ensure that there is complete transparency and full disclosure of all aspects of this project and possible infrastructure needs throughout Yorktown.

In addition we would ask that the town board add the relevant town code for wireless facilities in Yorktown to the project page. As Councilwoman Siegel mentioned the code was written in 1998. This code needs to be updated and is woefully inadequate compared to neighboring towns within Westchester County. The Supervisor spoke about the need to at times change a law or a repeal a law as technology changed and advanced when he was discussing solar panels. The fact that the town is relying on a town code that is almost 30 years old for technology that is advancing at a rapid pace is lacking to say the least. The supervisor also stated that things do change and sometimes you say

“hey did we really go down the right road”. While hindsight is 20/20 it will not prevent the damage that can be done by using out of date code to make decisions on a project that will forever alter an area of town that is environmentally sensitive. The town board took the time to pause all solar projects to review the town code for those projects and ensure that what they enacted was in the best interest of Yorktown. Yet when it came to cellular infrastructure which was on the town radar since at least 2021 when the Cityscape report began, the board made no effort to review or update the town code to provide limitations that would protect residents, neighborhoods or the environment . Shouldn't the town board also place a similar moratorium on cell towers to enable a review and update of the town code? This is something that should have already been done and needs to be done as soon as possible.

We appreciate your time and consideration of our concerns. It is our hope that you will move to include a presentation from Cityscape at the public hearing and pause all cellular infrastructure projects until such a time as the town code has been updated to reflect current technology and the advancement of smaller cellular facilities that is occurring nationwide.

Regards,
Doug and Karen Erickson

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