

I have many concerns about the proposed Verizon tower. Please take into account the following objections and reject this proposal.

Aesthetic Impact

The proposed 140-ft tower would be an industrial eyesore, visible to nearby residents, local businesses, Riley Rink and from the trails at Hunter Park.

Property Values

20% or more DECREASE in values of homes near cell towers. The US Department of Housing & Development (HUD) considers cell towers as "Hazards & Nuisances"

Environmental

The construction site includes a fenced 50-ft concrete pad and generator, surrounded by chain link fencing, raising concerns of contaminated sediment from the construction and chemical pollutants from the generator leaching into the surrounding lands, water supplies, and the Battenkill River.

Health & Safety

Potential safety hazard of helicopter landings at the fire department. Close proximity to Riley Rink and surrounding recreational fields, The Red Fox Community School which is a K-5 learning center, as well as to Mobile Homes on Homer Rd. and the Rail Trail.

Safety levels of Radio Frequency Radiation (RFR) are NOT adequate or monitored by the FCC. Wireless technology is a perpetual source of electromagnetic pollution, continuously pulsing artificial and biologically active radiation into the surrounding environment, affecting homes, workplaces and schools. The telecom industry mirrors the playbook used by the tobacco industry for years; muddy the science, create doubt and claim it's all "safe". Thousands of independent peer reviewed studies prove otherwise.

Liability

The Northshire Civic Center faces potential liability from personal injury lawsuits resulting from wireless radiation

Thank You,

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