

From: Phil Bourquin
Sent: Tuesday, October 04, 2016 9:14 AM
To: 'friendsofprunehill@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: 16-015 (Cell Tower Moratorium) Public Comment

Mr. Watson – This email is to confirm receipt of the two emails and that they have been included in the record on the Moratorium.

The next step as identified in the work plan will involve a hearing before the Planning Commission on November 15, 2016, at 7 PM in the City Council Chamber, 616 NE Fourth Avenue. The testimony received at the Planning Commission hearing will help in forming the issues and scope of work -- Your email and attached exhibit from the City of Eugene will be included in the packet to the Planning Commission for consideration on November 15th and are helpful to that end.

Sincerely,

Phil Bourquin
Community Development Director
City of Camas

From: Community Development Email
Sent: Tuesday, October 04, 2016 8:17 AM
To: Phil Bourquin
Subject: FW: 16-015 (Cell Tower Moratorium) Public Comment

2nd email..

From: Friends of Prune Hill [mailto:friendsofprunehill@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2016 4:02 PM
To: City Council Members (GRP) <CityCouncilGRP@cityofcamas.us>; Community Development Email <communitydevelopment@cityofcamas.us>
Subject: Re: 16-015 (Cell Tower Moratorium) Public Comment

And, as the purpose of tonight's hearing is associated with the continuation of the moratorium, the Friends of Prune Hill strongly request and support the continued moratorium. We recommend the city to move ahead with the proposed work plan as described in ordinance 16-015.

Regards,

Glenn Watson

On Mon, Oct 3, 2016 at 3:48 PM, Friends of Prune Hill <friendsofprunehill@gmail.com> wrote:
Hello,

As I will be unable to attend the meeting this evening, I am submitting comments on behalf of the Friends of Prune Hill in writing.

The attached document was previously submitted to the City of Camas, and is being submitted again under 16-015, for review by the council.

We request a working group, comprised of city staff and public volunteers, be created to conduct further research regarding the best next steps to take to update the current Camas municipal code(s) associated with cell towers. The working group should be provided with an appropriate amount of time (i.e., 60 days minimum) to complete their work.

The work (by city staff) should include, but not be limited to, contacting other cities and obtaining information on the steps taken (by those cities) to address the issues we are presently faced with.

At a minimum, the updated code(s) should:

1. Prohibit cell towers in residential zones except through a rigid process, such as a variance, as required to comply with federal law;
2. Tighten up application requirements and approval criteria to better address a significant gap in service;
3. Include a requirement that all applications for new cell towers include an alternative configuration analysis;
4. Include a requirement that applicants for new cell towers include must perform an alternative sites analysis to study alternative locations to ensure there are no other sites more suitable (i.e., available sites with preferable commercial or industrial zoning);
5. Adjust height limits to clearly prohibit heights greater than necessary to fill the identified service gap;
6. Address new and emerging cell technology, including, but not limited to Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS), and Micro Cells.

Additionally, the city should obtain an evaluation by an electrical engineering consultant of the City's topography and provider cell phone coverage areas. Areas which have the potential to address any potential gaps in service could be identified. The consultant could identify specific locations for larger scale towers and recommend coverage options for mid-scale development (smaller towers) or attached panels. Having laid the appropriate technical foundation, the City and its citizens would not then need to rely on the experts provided by a development permit applicant in the process but would have laid its own scientific and professional evaluation basis for regulation.

Again, we appreciate the city council's efforts to date. We look forward to working with the city on this important issue.

Regards,

Glenn Watson

On Behalf of the Friends of Prune Hill