Exhibit E Emails in Opposition of P21-06304

From: <u>Larry Taylor</u>
To: <u>Steven Martinez</u>

Subject: Cond Use Permit No. P21-06304, Verizon Date: Sunday, January 23, 2022 5:04:25 PM

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Mr. Martinez,

I intend to protest this permit being issued on the bases of it's unnecessary and visually insulting to the intelligence of residents, owners and visitors to and through Fresno.

There is an existing cell tower across the street, within 100 yards of the proposed "monopine", that Verizon could possibly rent a space on.

I am asking for the size of that tower at Slush Puppies, diameter and height. Also the plans for this application would be appreciated. Please send the information by email for expediency

Larry Taylor Cl: 559-779-8666 2890 Huntington Blvd, #163 Fresno, CA. 93721

Sent from my iPhone

Correction for site location corner: Jan 27, 2022

Re: CUP No. P21-06304 ...To install a new 80-foot monopine cell tower with (9) panel antennas and (12) radio units (etc.) ...disguised as a pine tree...

This Conditional Use Permit should be denied. This is an ugly piece of work in a very central and obvious location in downtown Fresno. Cell towers should be hidden, made slender, even miniaturized, and blend in with their surroundings, not made bigger and wider and look like a phony Ponderosa Pine tree.

The site is just a couple lots south of where we live in a condominium complex, where there are eighty-eight (88) 2-story units. Many of them look out on the proposed site as well as the increasingly noisy and raised freeway 41, where it curves around downtown. Our residents and owners should not have to accept more visual blight, added to the sight and sound of an Indy 500-like speedway.

This is also very bad for the reputation of Fresno. Visitors to our city would wonder how we allowed such an out of place "Frankenpine" (as one article on Google calls them) to be erected in full view of City Hall, and from the raised portion of Freeway 41.

This proposed cell tower site is within 100 yards of an existing cell tower, at Slush Puppie Products, 645 'R' Street, across the street and north a block, which appears to have room to accept Verizon's equipment. I understand that tower is 70-feet tall and the industry norm is owners of towers typically accept other companies to sublet space. This tower is also near the western property line and well concealed from view as people drive by on 'R' Street and the freeway. This location is also very close to many (if not all) of the Bitwise properties surrounding the existing tower. Bitwise would probably take big advantage of the new equipment, that I expect will be 5G technology.

If the Slush Puppie location is absolutely not available, and your department feels that a cell tower in every block is necessary, the city should consider the parking lot west of Bitwise. It might be made available to Verizon. A shorter and thinner version of the proposed tower, without the phony branches drawing attention and close to their building might appear as a necessary fixture for their business.

The proposed site, at the northeast corner of Ventura and "R' Streets is a virtually flat asphalt construction-related parking lot, zoned for apartments, and is not the right location to plant a "Frankenpine" to draw stares and ridicule from visitors, and residents of Fresno to endure.

Sincerely,

Larry Taylor Jeri Starkweather 2890 Huntington Blvd., #163 Fresno, CA 93721

Subject: FW: Cell tower 640 "R" Street, Fresno, CA

Date: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 10:24:01 AM

From: Denise Steedman <dswsteedman@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 7:36 PM

To: PublicCommentsPlanning < PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov>

Cc: District3 < District3@fresno.gov>

Subject: Cell tower 640 "R" Street, Fresno, CA

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To Whom It May Concern at the Planning and Development Department, Fresno City,

I am Denise Steedman, my husband William and I are living at the Huntington Park Village Condo community #179.

We are vehemently opposed to the Planning Department Conditional Permit No. P21-06304 to place a Cell Tower at 640 "R"

Street, here in downtown Fresno, and here's why:

1. NO ONE should discount the health and wellbeing of the children and seniors that reside in the Village Borgata and

Huntington Park condominium complexes, and the homes on East Huntington Blvd.

2. NO ONE thinks that the people who work in the newly refurbished Bitwise building want to look out a window at an 80ft

cell tower.

3. NO ONE who supports the redevelopment of downtown Fresno thinks that an 80ft cell tower is something attractive to lure

new business, developers, sports teams and the performing arts.

4. NO ONE thinks that an 80ft cell tower looks like a pine tree!

In conclusion, our family agrees with the opinion article by Marek Warszawski as written in the January 24th edition of the

Fresno Bee.

Respectfully,

Denise and Willian Steedman

Subject: FW: Cell Tower on 640 "R" street

Date: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 11:56:17 AM

From: David Martens <dcmartens@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 11:29 AM

To: PublicCommentsPlanning < PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov>

Subject: Cell Tower on 640 "R" street

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To: Director of Planning and Development (Fresno)

Re: Cell tower proposed at 640 "R" Street

From: David and Lenora Martens

2890 Huntington Blvd, Apt 186

We would like to express our urgently extreme opposition to erecting a cell tower overlooking our condo complex at Huntington Village. This cell tower will be located about a 100 feet of our condo unit. We will be living literally under the wings of a tower that is sending and receiving energy waves that have been shown to be detrimental to the health of people. Studies on 5G are showing very bad effects on people. No different, or worse than living under high energy electrical transmission wires. This does not bode well for our health. This is a residential neighborhood and should be off limits to anything like this, on the basis mentioned above and that it will be a terrible eyesore and will ruin our property values. The Huntington Park Village condo board will be sending a team to speak to this issue at the meeting. Please add our voice to their petition.

Thank-you

David and Lenora Martens 559-475-3420

Subject: FW: COMMENT ON CUP # P21-06304 / mono pine cell tower downtown Fresno

Date: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 10:22:48 AM

Attachments: HPCV Final Draft Letter to City of Fresno Planning Re Cell Tower Project 01252022.docx

From: Sean Boyd <seanboyd@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 7:19 AM

To: PublicCommentsPlanning < PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov>

Subject: COMMENT ON CUP # P21-06304 / mono pine cell tower downtown Fresno

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please se attached regarding comments on #P21-06304. WE OBJECT.

Best,

Sean Boyd, Vice President and Secretary Huntington Park Condominium Village HOA 2890 Huntington Blvd #123 Fresno, CA 93721 559-907-5551 mobile

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City of Fresno
Development Services Division
Planning and Development Department
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno CA 93721

January 25, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter, from the Huntington Park Condominium Village Board of Directors, serves as a submission of comments / concerns objecting Conditional Use Permit No. P21-06304, allowing Verizon Wireless to construct an "80-foot mono-pine cell tower" within view of the south boundary of our homes. This letter is in response to a neighborhood notification sent by your department dated January 18, 2022, and recently received by homeowners.

We object to the project as proposed, for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed height of 80 feet will produce a visible eyesore from the south boundary of our property, and for other nearby residential areas to the northeast through southeast of the proposed site, north and south of E. Ventura Avenue. Additionally, the proposed height and location will be a visible eyesore for motorists entering the downtown area from either direction on SR Freeway 41. Is that really the first prominent landmark you want people to see, and to associate with downtown Fresno? If no alternate site is available, we insist on lowering the height by at least 20 feet. We would prefer it not be in view of our complex at all.
- Persistent homeless encampments on the adjacent Caltrans freeway
 easements and embankments present a fire hazard. In recent months, a
 potentially dangerous fire threatening the Moore-Twining property, and
 potentially our property, occurred, likely set by homeless.
- 3. The HPCV Homeowners' Association proposes the project be moved to an area close by, more compatible with exclusively commercial / industrial land use. We list the following suggested alternate locations, and recommend you shorten the tower by as much as 20 feet, similar to the height of the tower that currently exists on the Slush Puppie property at 645 R Street:

- a. West of R Street, near the Bitwise Building (formerly The Old Spaghetti Factory, corner of Ventura and R streets), in the City of Fresno parking lot (just east of the BNSF tracks)
- b. West of S. Parallel Avenue, near the Salvation Army, south of Ventura Avenue, and the elevated 41 freeway
- c. West of S. Parallel Avenue, between the Salvation Army, and VAR, Inc., south of Ventura Avenue, and the elevated 41 freeway
- d. Santa Fe Avenue, just south of Ventura Avenue, next to the Bitwise "Beehive" building, and near the Caltrans right of way just north of the elevated 41 freeway
- e. Near the O Street offramp, adjacent to the granite countertop company, and near the Caltrans right of way just north of the elevated 41 freeway
- f. Just south of Ventura Avenue and the elevated 41 freeway, adjacent to the Caltrans right of way, and Holt Distributing Company at 414 P Street.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sean Boyd, Vice President and Secretary Huntington Park Condominium Village 2890 Huntington Blvd #123 Fresno CA 93721 559-907-5551 mobile seanboyd@sbcglobal.net

From: <u>PublicCommentsPlanning</u>

To: <u>Steven Martinez</u>

Subject: FW: Special permit concerns

Date: Friday, January 28, 2022 8:26:19 AM

Importance: High

From Planning email

From: ART BAREYAN <artdeport@yahoo.com> Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:24 PM

To: PublicCommentsPlanning < PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov>

Subject: Special permit concerns

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To the planning and Development Department of the City of Fresno

Thank you for providing the notice for the potential construction happening in our area. Upon further review of Permit application No. P21-06304, we regret to inform you that the residence of our household and households within our neighborhood ask that you do not take action on this special permit. First and foremost, the tower will serve as a potential site for more criminal activity and homelessness. The tower also serves as a potential healt hazard to individuals within the area.

Thank you for your time and consideration

Subject: FW: Verizon Tree Tower on R Street **Date:** Tuesday, January 25, 2022 10:23:33 AM

From: mintzworks@aol.com <mintzworks@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:53 PM

To: PublicCommentsPlanning < PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov>

Subject: Verizon Tree Tower on R Street

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Marek's op-ed today said this Tree/Tower would add to the blight of downtown. The idea of a building surrounded by a barbed wire fence would also add to the blight.

Now, let's see...what's at that location currently? Ah, yes, the homeless encampment. Just north of the fenced in empty and trashed lot lining Ventura Street at R. Very near the underpass, a wonderful place to buy cheap meth or heroin.

Marek and Larry Johnson say the SB 41 drivers will be distracted by this monstrosity. I drive SB41 daily as I live in Larry's Huntington Park Condos, just a few feet from his place. I notice one thing only - The Bitwise 41 sign.

So the Huntington Park subcommittee asked us residents to email our thoughts.

Build the cell Tower. It'll be great to have much better cell speed and connections. Bitwise needs the best possible connections and speed. So do our dedicated firefighters at their house on R Street.

That's right. Don't tell Larry but I fully support this Tower. I'm confident the Fresno Planning Committee did its due diligence and made a thoughtful decision.

I support the tree tower.

Thanks,

Stephen Mintz 2890 E Huntington Blvd #158 Fresno CA 93721

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