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**From:** Dorothy Northey <dvineview@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 9:12 PM  
**To:** PublicComment  
**Subject:** antennas

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Because there are so many unanswered questions about these antennas, it is appropriate that there be a public hearing about this issue so the concerns can be fully aired and become part of the record. I urge the Board of Supervisors to allow this.

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Northey

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**From:** ANNEMARIE GUY <annemarieguy@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 10:08 PM  
**To:** PublicComment  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Item 7C. Please post online

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I am writing to voice my concerns over Napa County's proposed ordinances regarding small cell antenna and macro tower placements.

The public right-of-way is to benefit the public. Denying the public the opportunity to raise concerns and provide citizen oversight to ensure that all applicable local, state, and federal laws are being followed before the wireless facilities are installed is undemocratic and unjust, especially because it is extremely difficult to get them down once constructed.

I would like to see legislation prohibiting wireless installations in residential zones, a setback from homes and schools in other areas (at least 500 feet for "small" cell antennas and 1,640 feet for macro towers); regular, on-going wireless radiation testing to ensure continued compliance with the FCC exposure limit; an environmental assessment per the California Environmental Quality Act as well as proof of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act; minimum insurance limits for each installation to mitigate government liability.

Thank you,  
Annemarie Guy

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Annemarie Guy  
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**From:** Allyssa Russell <joerussell2020@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 10:18 PM  
**To:** PublicComment  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Item 7C. Please post online

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My name is Suzann Russell, and I live and work in Napa/Napa County.

My career is in finance, I manage a team of 5 people, and it is part of my job to logically and systematically analyze and mitigate risk for a living, and I apply the same principles to my personal life, in dealing with things like small cell/5G technology.

When it comes to the rollout of 5G, I think it is irresponsible for municipalities to allow for the deployment of 5G when the science is not settled, and is based on outdated research that does not apply to 5G frequency. Anything that exposes humans to constant radiation, without a long term study is potentially dangerous and opens up Napa to liability.

It is unwise to presume that something is safe without the necessary long term safety studies. All of us can think of many things that were once deemed safe, and after time and proper research, it was determined these are not safe. For example, doctors used to say smoking was safe, and they used to do x-rays on pregnant women to determine the position of the fetus. These things seem like obviously bad ideas now, in hindsight with proper research and analysis.

I implore you as our public officials to put the health concerns of people living in our community ahead of business dealings, and follow the example of other local communities like Sonoma, Petaluma, Mill Valley, and San Anselmo, which require wireless providers to obtain a conditional use permit, which involves public notice and a public hearing before the planning commission. Other areas have banned the implementation of 5G in residential areas, park lands, high fire areas, and they also cannot be installed within 500 feet of a day care center, a school, or a residence that is not in a residential zone. Protecting the health of citizens should be more important than faster internet and more bandwidth.

I don't believe small cell towers/5G should be implemented in Napa County at all, however, at a minimum, I am writing today to request that you place new regulation of small cell antennas in the County's telecommunications ordinance and require a use permit instead of an encroachment permit. Residents affected

by the proposed antennas should have an opportunity to have their concerns expressed in a public setting and citizens should have the opportunity to raise any legal issues before installation. Research has shown that Electromagnetic Frequencies disrupt sleep, which we all know is vitally important, which is why it shouldn't be allowed anywhere near residential areas, and children are our most vulnerable citizens since they are growing and their brain is under development, which is why 5G shouldn't be anywhere near schools or daycare centers. Some municipalities have adopted this policy, recognizing that some citizens are highly sensitive to radio frequencies and they should have a choice about whether antennas are located near their homes.

Napa County has higher than typical cancer rates, which I have unfortunately dealt with personally, losing both my husband and mother to cancer in 2020. The World Health Organization has classified cell phone radiation as a possible human carcinogen, along with the International Agency for Research on Cancer. Please do not implement an untested technology on the citizens of Napa. It should undergo thorough, long-term safety testing before implementation, along with a right to opt out in any case. We need to use the precautionary principle and err on the side of safety for our citizens, especially for children.

Thank you for listening, I appreciate having a chance to share my viewpoint.

-Suzann Russell

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**From:** Lana Richardson < lana.b.richardson@gmail.com >  
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**Subject:** Public Comment for Item 7C. Please post online

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Napa County Board of Supervisors -

All proposals/applications that include cellular technology/antennas/monopoles in the Public Right of Way should require a conditional use permit rather than just an encroachment permit. A use permit would ensure a public hearing which provides transparency and an opportunity for citizens to be notified. Without notice they will not be aware of or able to express concerns before the permit is issued or any cell equipment installed. The County's telecommunications ordinance should also include regulation of proposed cellular technology, small cell antennas, monopoles intended for cellular and stipulate that a conditional use permit is required rather than an encroachment permit.

Lana Richardson  
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**From:** shirley knight <shirley.knight@att.net>  
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**Subject:** Public Comment on Agenda Item 7C for today's BOS meeting. Please post.

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am opposed to new regulation of small cell antennas being added to the County's ordinance on encroachment permits. It should instead be added to the telecommunications ordinance.

In addition, a conditional use permit with a public hearing should be required for all cell antennas in the public right-of-way. Residents and community members should not be surprised by these installations and should have an opportunity to provide input prior to construction. After all, the public right-of-way is supposed to benefit (and not harm) the public. The only way to ensure that is to allow the public to weigh in.

Sincerely,

Shirley J. Knight

Concerned citizen