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Date: 8 May 2018
To: Palo Alto City Council
From: Steve Branz & Emily Young, 402 El Verano Ave, Palo Alto
Re: Palo Alto Wireless Communication, Node #143 (near 419 El Verano Ave, Palo Alto) -- **PLEASE APPROVE**

Reference: Vinculums/Verizon Cluster 1: 15 Nodes #17PLN-00169 (Node #143: CPAU Pole #3867 (near 419 El Verano Av APN 132-15-017))

Thanks for keeping us informed about the proposed wireless projects in the city. We have been visited by neighbors who oppose Node #143. We have also read the technical report on the assessment of risk (virtually none). I believe I understand the objections of our neighbors, but the science does not support their position. Aesthetically, the visual impact of the new antenna atop the utility pole will be truly insignificant relative to the existing utility poles and wires directly over El Verano Ave and continuing over the back fence line of our property.

Our home (property) is directly across the street from the utility pole which is the proposed site of the Node #143. We are also users of the Verizon network. We have very unreliable cell phone reception in our home, and often have to leave the house to get a decent connection. -- While we stand to benefit directly and personally from the El Verano Verizon project, we wish to emphasize that we would recommend approval even if we were subscribers to another wireless service. Implementing changes that are of benefit to many local residents and realistically harmful to none should be "no-brainer" approvals. Oftentimes those objecting to change have much louder public voices. This leads to Palo Alto's reputation as a NIMBY community. Those willing to accept reasonable changes proposed by the City rarely expend the time and energy of those opposed to change. IMHO. this skews the debate. If the city really wants or needs neighborhood input, then survey the neighbors along with a PRO and CON document similar the election materials that accompany our ballot initiatives (which have PRO and CON and rebuttal arguments clearly presented).

Thanks for considering our voices.

Steve & Emily

On Mon, Apr 23, 2018 at 3:00 PM, City of Palo Alto <cityofpaloalto@service.govdelivery.com> wrote:

Wireless Communication Facilities Webpage Update

An update has been made to the City of Palo Alto's Wireless Communication Facilities webpage. To view, click www.cityofpaloalto.org/wcf.

Thank you,

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