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Hello,

I don't really have a dog in this fight other than my industry knowledge and defending technology against unsupported fears.

Nothing personal here, this is industry business.

I also was born and raised in WW. I would like to point out some facts please.

I am recently retired from the Telcom Industry, my knowledge and experience are sound. I was never employed by AT&T, although I have worked at their locations.

I was employed as both Senior Telcom Engineer and later Telcom Construction manager nationwide, I finished my career with Microsoft and Amazon employment.

I can promise you that a Church is one of the first businesses we look at for a new install, we install antennas in nearly every business including schools nationwide.

Please follow below:

#1. The initial uprising over the proposed tower was all due to over hyped unsubstantiated fear of Health Related issues. Dozens and dozens of fear posting from odd sites claiming harmful radiation, damaged children (building fear of the unknown) etc. but NO DOCTORS or local medical professionals, why?

Now learning that there are no health related issues, the complainants are directing their energy towards UGLY.

#2. AT&T is the largest Telcom carrier in the USA with 46% market share, others like T-Mobile only 24%.

AT&T provides critical 911 services, and they provide a very low cost critical data connections for ONSTAR, Mercedes and other vehicle systems. Let us not forget the "help I've fallen and can't get up" service.

When you mention 911 services, it's a very big deal in Telcom. I am sure this proposed new tower will indeed provide 911 services, this needs to be strongly considered and communicated to the

Fearful public. In my experience, many municipalities offer specific 911 service clauses. It would be sound for WW to have one.

#3. Since there is really no proven health related concerns, the issue is really between being visually acceptable and still offering a technical advantage for the local community.

It's important for WW to stay focused on technology. The photo AT&T offered of the proposed tower looks quite acceptable, and they are installed across the country.

#4. Frankly the very wealthy Knudson's have created a zone of public fear that is unfounded and unfair to the industry. It was all based upon Dangerous Radiation but since that cannot be proven, that subject is dropped.

Those persons who say they will not build or purchase property near the area now are hogwash. If those buyers walk, others will be right behind them.

#5. What the concerning neighborhood does not realize is that by creating all of this media buzz, they have in fact notified the public that anywhere a cell tower is located is dangerous. So much for future property values then.

#6. They Knudson's have lived in the area for ages, I think everyone knows that when you can afford it, it's a wise idea to purchase surrounding property to protect privacy.

Another avenue for the Knudson's is to offer AT&T another tower location of land that they own in trade.

#7. The fear of radiation from a Cell Tower is lame, it's the phone you need to be concerned about, not the towers.  
Always Use Speakerphone.

In closing, I have nothing against the Knudson's nor the other complainants', fear is very powerful but their fears are based upon unsupported rumors & false facts.

I am sorry that the Church, AT&T and the local government have been falsely attacked on this subject, and to the Knudson's who are fearful of the unknown.

I think everyone should stand down, take a deep breath and go home. Let's take all that serious money your spending on that Seattle Attorney and redirect it helping out the animal shelters, homeless people and yes the Church.

Sincerely, Kind Regards

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