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“A COMMITMENT TO THE PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF OUR COMMUNITY”

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Middletown Township Zoning Board of Adjustment
1 Kings Highway
Johnson-Gill Annex
Middletown, NJ, 07748

Dear Middletown Zoning Board members:

The Lincroft Village Green Association which is a non-profit civic organization with a membership of over 900 Lincroft residents, urges you to deny the cell phone tower application at the Lincroft Fire Department property for the following reasons:

- 1) The carrier, T-mobile, has not demonstrated a need for coverage in the area. At the Dec. 8th meeting their representative stated that they *do* have coverage but not strong enough to make calls within buildings such as the Acme. Technology exists for cell phone companies to supply signal amplifiers in buildings rather than erecting new towers.
- 2) The variances requested are unacceptable: use – towers are not permitted in a Residential-Office zoning area, and height - 100 ft tall tower where zoning allows for 30 ft tall buildings. A tower at the Fire Dept. parking lot or *anywhere* in the village would be unsightly and would have detrimental affects on the property values of homes.
- 3) FCC laws concerning health risks associated with cell phone towers are based upon insufficient and antiquated data. More recent studies have found that cell phone tower RF emissions have negative health affects on humans, especially children. The tower site is in close proximity to an elementary school (St. Leos) as well as children who live in homes on the adjoining streets.

It is your responsibility to uphold the zoning law regulations that do not allow cell phone towers to be built near schools or residences. Please deny T-Mobile's application.

Sincerely,

Carol Baker
Co-President
Lincroft Village Green Association

