

# TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN

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Dear Resident,

June 12, 2009

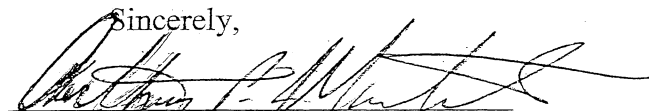
The Township has received number of telephone calls and inquiry's from residents of your neighborhood in the vicinity of Parkway Exit 109 concerned about a proposed cell tower to be constructed. In 2007 the New Jersey Turnpike Authority held a public hearing in Middletown to obtain public comment on a proposal to construct a 120 foot monopole on a portion of State owned property just west of the Garden State Parkway. It is important for you to be aware that Middletown Township has no jurisdiction or authority over state owned property. The Turnpike Authority did not need Township approval for this installation nor did they seek Township approval. Middletown does not grant any approvals or any permits for construction on State owned property.

Attached you will see a location map showing where the tower is proposed to be located as well as an aerial photograph depicting the approximate location of the monopole and its approximate distance from some nearby residential properties. These are based upon the plans proposed by the Turnpike Authority in 2007.

Other than knowing a public hearing was being held back in 2007, Middletown has had no contact from the State of New Jersey regarding this project. My office has since contacted the Turnpike Authority and was advised that the project was still planned to go forward, but no time frame was known. In addition I have requested, given the amount of time that has gone by since this project was first presented, that the Turnpike Authority hold another hearing locally so that they can respond to resident questions and concerns. It is my understanding that some of our local legislators will be making similar requests. This letter and any other pertinent letters we receive on this matter will be posted on the Township's website in the coming days and weeks.

If you wish to obtain further information regarding this project please contact Jacqueline Carr at the New Jersey Turnpike Authority @ 732-442-8600 ext. 2082.

Sincerely,



Anthony P. Mercantante, P.P. AICP  
Township Administrator

cc: Mayor & Members of the Township Committee  
Township Attorney

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