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To: lhammach@storeycounty.org; lprater; glassact; Pat Whitten

Subject: Staff report

To the members of the planning commission,

I just read with some dismay the recommendations of the staff report.

While I take issue with many of their findings, there are a few things upon which I would like to focus.

1. I met with Mr. Osborne at the County Clerk's office and asked him if he had just bought into Taormina's PRB-1 spiel. I asked him if he had ever read the second paragraph of PRB-1 which clearly states that while we need to accommodate ham operators, you CANNOT BUILD A COMMERCIAL STYLE TOWER IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA. How clear does that need to be?

Have any of you bothered to read this portion of the law? If you have, why is there any question about whether the towers are protected?

2. The staff report says "there is no evidence of a visual impact on the residential area". You can't see it from your kitchen window so there's no visual impact? I have to look at those ugly monstrosities every time I look out my kitchen window or go out my front door. Ask the Meades, the Adkins, or any of the other people who have to look at his garbage every day if they think it has "an impact" on their lifestyle.

3. All of the towers over 45 feet violate county codes and since the local emergency management people say they don't need or want his assistance, why would you continue with this charade?

4. Taormina wants these towers so he can play ham radio operator games. That's what it's all about. If he were truly concerned about providing emergency communications in time of a disaster, he could do it with ONE 45 foot tower. We don't need to be able to talk to Pakistan.

5. I filed a nuisance complaint with Storey County 2 years ago about the towers. Are you aware of what State law says about nuisance complaints?

The county may be in violation of state law by not dealing with my complaint.

6. Two years ago we submitted copies of a petition with over 100 signatures demanding that the towers be taken down. Why do you think we will agree to a variance? Why would you ignore the wishes of 100 residents who find the towers intolerable?

7. The planning commission exists to insure that unsightly garbage like the towers don't get erected. You need to look out for those of us who have this garbage in our back yards.

Thanks,

Buddy R. Morton