

## Stonegate Email News of 10-29-07

### A Message from the President

As you are aware, the board and the executive director have actively sought a cell phone antenna in the power corridor. It has been a long and tedious process. We now understand that a lease will be signed within the next few weeks, allowing the matter to proceed to a city council vote, probably on December 4 or 11, though late November has not been entirely ruled out.

The great majority of Stonegate homeowners support the installation of Verizon's antenna in the power corridor. A few of our homeowners have expressed concerns, which have been addressed, though perhaps not to their full satisfaction. We encourage them to make their opinions known to the city council.

There is outside opposition that delayed this matter by as much as nine months. NESPOA President Dennis Rodriguez proposed alternative sites that did not provide coverage for our entire community. Fortunately, the city staff and planning commission rejected those sites and approved the only site that will provide coverage to all Stonegate homes as well as several hundred homes in Paradise Heights, just to the east of Stonegate.

The Board believes that your involvement is necessary for a successful outcome. I would encourage you to write to **City Manager Jan Dolan** with copies to Mayor Manross and all city council members. We are including the email addresses you'll need.

We want to see this move forward without further delay. There are safety and security concerns. The best new security systems rely on wireless technology. We are becoming a wireless society, with more cell phones than land lines in homes. We don't want our poor cellular reception to have a negative impact on real estate values. We need to tell Ms. Dolan and our elected representatives on the Scottsdale city council that when this shows up on the agenda, we will be there. It's important that we show up at the City Hall Kiva to ensure that a strong, clear voice is heard.

The executive director and I plan to meet with the mayor and each city council person again, to reaffirm Stonegate's position and commitment to provide cellular service to our community.

Here is a suggested email message to send to Dolan and the city council:

I want the lease between the City of Scottsdale and Verizon approved as soon as possible. I support Verizon and Stonegate in this effort. The site that is approved by the Planning Commission and the city staff is the only site that offers cell phone service to all of the homes in Stonegate as well as several hundred homes in Paradise Heights. It has taken almost two years to approve the antenna site and lease. This project should have been completed a long time ago. We still can't use our cell phones in our own homes. When this item is on the agenda, we'll be there. Count on it.

It's best if it's in your own words. We'd like a copy of what you send.

For now, save both December 4 and 11 on your calendar. We plan to attend “in force” with your Stonegate friends and neighbors. The Community Association will set up the transportation. And with your participation, we’ll have a hundred people at the City Hall Kiva to let the council know exactly what we expect them to do: approve the lease so that Verizon can install the cell phone tower.

Sincerely,

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