

Community Meeting

Proposed Bell Mobility Telecommunication
Tower at St. James Anglican Church
(3 Cathedral Road, Brampton, ON)

Thursday, May 26, 2011
City of Brampton, Council Chambers
2 Wellington St. W., 4th Floor

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Introduction of Municipal, Regional & Federal Representatives
- III. Overview by Dan Kraszewski, Director of Development Services, Planning Design and Development
- IV. Handouts
- V. Question/Answer Period
- VI. Adjournment

I. Call to Order

II. Introduction of Municipal, Regional & Federal Representatives

- Kyle Seeback, M.P., Brampton West
- Eve Adams, M.P., Mississauga/Brampton South
- Mayor's Office, City of Brampton
- John Sanderson, Regional Councillor, Wards 3 and 4
- Bob Callahan, City Councillor, Wards 3 and 4

III. Overview of Telecommunication Tower Review Process

Industry Canada is responsible for regulating and authorizing radiocommunication and antenna system facilities in Canada (i.e. masts, towers and other supporting structures, such as buildings, water towers, clock towers).

The Industry Canada document entitled “Radiocommunication and Broadcasting Antenna Systems, CPC-2-0-3” regulates the following items:

- The installation of new antenna-supporting structures, or the modification of existing ones
- Land-use authority and public consultation
- Exemptions from consultation with land-use authorities
- Aeronautical safety
- Radio frequency field emissions (Health Canada – Safety Code 6)
- The Canadian Environmental Assessment Act

Land-use Authority and Public Consultation

Industry Canada recognizes that the local land-use authority should have an opportunity to influence the location of such facilities. The following procedures are in place to ensure:

- that municipalities are consulted prior to the erection of antenna systems and related facilities;
- that telecommunication carriers follow the land-use consultation process established by the local land-use authority (i.e. City of Brampton); and
- that the consultation process be completed within a 120 day period

City of Brampton Telecommunication Protocol

City of Brampton's Council-adopted Wireless Telecommunication Tower Facility Protocol includes a preliminary consultation stage and a formal consultation stage.

Preliminary Consultation Stage: Telecommunication proponent informs staff of their intended location, design, operational needs and any functional impacts to the site. Staff provide preliminary comments back to proponent for review.

Formal Consultation Stage: Proponent submits a site plan application for review and comments. Application is circulated to affected agencies or adjacent municipalities (within 500m) and the applicant provides a formal notification to all residential property owners within 3 times the tower height from the site. If any concerns (either from City or notified landowners) cannot be resolved, the City informs Industry Canada and Industry Canada then makes the final decision on the approval of the site.

City of Brampton Guidelines

The current City of Brampton Protocol identifies the following guidelines to be considered by the applicant when making a submission:

- New telecommunication towers are to be constructed on an as-needed basis. Telecommunication carriers need to demonstrate that existing towers or structures cannot be utilized;
- Towers should not be constructed in prominent locations and should be setback from residential developments;
- The design of the tower should be chosen through the consideration of the character of the surrounding neighbourhood with appropriate landscaping measures to be implemented; and
- Towers are to be designed to allow co-location

Exemptions from Consultation with Land-use Authorities

Exemptions from consultation with local land-use authorities include the following:

- Additions or modifications of an antenna system or antenna-supporting structure to existing infrastructure (i.e. building, water tower) provided it does not result in an overall height increase above the existing structure of 25% of the original structure's height;
- Installation, for a limited duration (typically not more than 3 months), of an antenna system that is used for a special event, or governmental emergencies; and
- New antenna systems, including towers, with a height of less than 15 metres (49ft.) above ground level

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Residents and local school administrators notified the City that Bell Mobility Inc. was beginning preliminary investigations to erect a telecommunication tower on the existing church property at 3 Cathedral Road.

To date, the City of Brampton has not received a preliminary consultation application for a telecommunication tower at this location.

Planning staff has contacted Bell Mobility Inc. and provided a letter indicating that the City would not be in a position to support this proposal if a formal application is ultimately submitted.

IV. Handouts

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