



NEWS RELEASE

No Need for Tower in Purcell's Cove - Rogers can Stay on Fenwick St.

(March 10, 2010) Halifax - Councillor Linda Mosher is thrilled to advise that she has today received a letter from Templeton Properties Ltd. confirming that Rogers Communications need not remove their communication tower from Fenwick Towers. In fact, Mr. Joe Metlege, on behalf of Templeton, confirms that Rogers was never told they had to leave and he has today committed that they are able to maintain their present location for at least 4 - 5 years. In addition, they would like them to stay after this time, providing they make the towers more aesthetically pleasing. Therefore, there is no need for Rogers to install a tower in Purcell's Cove.

Last night at Regional Council, she presented *a petition containing 87 names requesting that Rogers Communications Inc. cease the construction of a 40 metre free standing self support telecommunication tower and associated equipment shelter on land adjacent to 451 Purcell's Cove Road, Purcell's Cove.*

Area homeowners heard at a public meeting Monday night that Rogers Communications was forced to remove the equipment they have had on Fenwick Towers in the South End. Since that is not the situation, Councillor Mosher is thrilled to find out that there is no need for Rogers to proceed with construction of the tower on Purcell's Cove Rd., which will "ruin (the) viewplanes" and "change the character of (the) neighbourhood."

Mosher said federal rules require the company to consult with the municipality, which is to provide comment to Industry Canada, the regulator for telecommunications facilities. She has asked HRM staff to provide a copy of the letter from Templeton Properties which clarifies the misinformation given at Monday's public meeting.

Mosher said, "It is unfortunate that Templeton Properties was accused of having evicted Rogers from the roof of Fenwick Towers. I'd like to thank Templeton for their correction of the information at Monday's meeting and for their commitment that Rogers can stay in their present location. Hopefully Rogers will agree to stay."

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