

I've always cherished the comfort and community spirit of our Rocky Ford community, where my family and I have lived for years. But now, we are facing a new challenge that threatens the well-being of everyone here—a cell phone tower is set to be constructed dangerously close to some of our homes.

Numerous studies suggest that long-term exposure to radiation from cell phone towers may increase the risk of cancer and other health issues. The International Agency for Research on Cancer, part of the World Health Organization, classified radiofrequency electromagnetic fields as "possibly carcinogenic to humans." This is a risk that we simply can't overlook, not when it concerns the health of my children, elderly family members, and the entire community.

While mobile connectivity is vital, the choice of location for such infrastructure should be mindful of resident safety and health. There are alternative sites further from dense residential areas where the tower could be erected, avoiding potential health risks to our loved ones. It's about finding a balance between technological advancements and community welfare.

Children, pregnant women, the elderly, and those with existing medical conditions are more susceptible to environmental risks. Radiofrequency exposure over many years (cumulative exposure) may present greater risk, especially if living continuously near a tower.

Empirical studies show a measurable drop in property values for homes near visible wireless communication towers as well.