

Peakview Park Cell Tower Proposal

RESIDENT SURVEY RESULTS | FEBRUARY 22, 2018



This survey was conducted at the request of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District Board of Directors to gauge District resident and stakeholder perspectives on a Cell Tower Proposal presented to the Board by T-Mobile, on behalf of its contractors at Powder River. This report summarizes the survey results.

Survey Methodology & Respondents

A postcard request for online survey participation was sent to 2,207 Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District residences on February 8, 2018. A total of 225 responses were recorded, 219 of which came from property owners residing within the District. Another four responses were received from renters within the District, as well as two from respondents residing outside of the District.

For More Information

The following page reports additional data collected in the survey. Details of the proposed plan, including plan description, draft engineer drawings, mock-up photos, estimated propagation of service area, as well as the survey questions and notice, are included as attachments. Also included are other informal comments and community feedback provided outside the survey.

Survey Respondent Details

Data gathered from additional questions included in the survey are provided here, following the associated question.¹

Please indicate how often you use District facilities.

	Frequency	Percentage
Daily	82	36%
Weekly	86	38%
Monthly	32	14%
Annually	12	5%
Other	13	6%

Which park do you live closest to in the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District?

	Frequency	Percentage
Peakview Park	72	32%
Sunset Park	71	32%
Orchard Park	29	13%
Prairie Vista (Windemere) Park	24	11%
Lakeview Park	19	8%
Sunrise Vista Park	10	4%

How often do you use Peakview Park?

	Frequency	Percentage
Daily	42	19%
Weekly	58	26%
Monthly	51	23%
Annually	38	17%
Other	36	16%

What facilities do you use at Peakview Park?²

	Frequency	Percentage
Biking, walking, dog, leisure, etc.	173	77%
Playground and gazebos	74	33%
Organized sports fields	37	16%
Tennis courts	30	13%
Basketball court	28	12%
Other	6	3%

¹ Some column percentages do not total 100% due to rounding.

² Respondents could select more than one option.

Open-ended responses

Respondents that answered "yes" to supporting the cell tower:

Good proposal. Aesthetics and overall plan well done.
Increased Verizon coverage would be a great addition
Yes, please install a tower ASAP. Our neighborhood has very weak cell phone signals - we need the tower!
Would love to have Verizon cell service to be one of the additional companies.
Our mobile phone reception in our district is need of improvements. We have sub standard reception at home and specifically around Cottonwood Elementary. Please install this tower! Thank you, Shane Irvin
Please improve the Verizon service as well. This is a much needed tower. The Lakeview tower is very well done.
The area where I live has poor Verizon service.
I would like to see Verizon put up cells at Lakeview or on Cherry Creek Drive or in Peakview, whichever will make service by any provider better.
Yes!
I support strongly to approve the cell tower because we don't have any good cell phone coverage. Working cell phone coverage is important for daily life.
With a tower similar to the Lakeview Park location, my opinion is that it will not distract from aesthetics of Peakview Park. Also the proposed location appears to minimize use of the parks land area. The addition of the baseball backstop I see as another positive to the proposal. Thanks for providing the survey for feedback.
We need this as soon as possible because our signal is terrible.
We need this tower. Our cell service in this area is very poor.
This is a major need for the neighborhood. It's been a frustration of mine since moving to Cherry Creek Vista in 2014, to have such poor cell coverage. I believe this location is perfect for the new facilities and tower.
I absolutely support this proposal. Cell coverage in this area is dreadful - truly astonishing given it's 2018. We actually had to switch our cell provider after moving to the area a number of years ago. Coverage improved marginally and is still spotty overall.
I think the community needs the upgrade the tower would provide
We ABSOLUTELY need another cell tower. Cell service is terrible in our area
Our cell service is terrible in the neighborhood. We would welcome the improvement.
We need better cell service!!
I'm ok with this plan. However it would be helpful for T Mobile to provide a map of the area(s) that will be covered by this cell tower.
Please, please vote yes for this! It's a safety issue not to have reasonable coverage on cell phones. Thank you!
Verizon should be persuaded to be the second carrier, as Verizon coverage is terrible throughout CCV.
we need the coverage, no service in the neighborhood
This area (CherryCreek Vista) is a dead zone and we would really appreciate a cell phone tower
This is long overdue! Please get the word out about the safety of having a tower near homes; there is a lot of false "knowledge" of dangers of these towers floating around on Nextdoor.
YES! Please do this project! We desperately need to improve cell service in the area.
I live very close to Lakeview and the cell tower is never an issue-I never even see it or care about it, so it should not be an issue if another one goes into peakview.
While I would support the tower, I find your photo misleading. Those pines are no where near the 50' height of the tower. Also, since no tree exists anywhere near as high as 80' near the proposed

Peakview park tower, a 'disguised' tree-like tower would be ridiculous. Just make it a cell tower.
I support the addition of the tower. Cell service is awful throughout the neighborhoods east of Havanna. The tower at Lakeview park is vastly inadequate to provide service beyond the adjacent neighborhoods. It should be higher and /or, there needs to be a tower at Sunset Park. If though it's my home park, I would vote to put a (tastefully) designed tower there. I jope the Peakview tower would be sufficient but given it's distance, I have a feeling it won't help the neighborhoods the north
How would this tower impact the current coverage map of CCV? We have several marginal coverage areas in the area currently. Would these be improved?
Please, please, please, puuuuuuhhhhleeeeeease, build this tower. I can not support this project emphatically enough. It will be a tremendous addition to technology in our community.
PLEASE add this! The poor cell reception is hurting my small business.
There is currently no reliable cell (lte) reception in our area which is not only annoying, but unsafe. I fully support an additional tower.
That lake view cell tower is completely inefficient. I had Verizon and had to quit bc Igor no service. Now I have at&t and I had to get a tower for my house bc service was still not great. A lot of people work from home in this area and cell service is poor non matter who you use.
Cell service in the area sucks now. Calls drop almost every time. Verizon as an additional carrier would be great.
Can Verizon be one of the other 3 providers?
Planting trees around the tower would be immensely beneficial.
We need this to hopefully improve cell service. For 19 years cell phones in area have not been usable. This is a huge safety concern and poor cell service in areas can adversely effect properly values.
Would be good to show a map of expected improvement to people who live in the district.
This is needed for coverage in the area.
WE need a cell phone tower badly. I live at 11389 E. Maplewood Avenue and get little to no cell phone reception at or around my house.
The added cell tower would be wonderful! Thank you!
This area definitely needs better cell service. I am particularly concerned that the elementary school teachers or those walking in parks cannot reach 911 if needed from their mobile devices.
Cell service here is horrible. Cell tower is needed ASAP
A cell tower is absolutely necessary in this area. We have struggled with cell service ever since we moved in 8 years ago. I work out of the house and it's very inconvenient when I have to drive to a location to be able to receive and make calls. It is a big YES vote from me for the cell tower. Thank you.
to the degree that we can influence the other providers, we would strongly favor verizon.
What steps have been taken to contract with Verizon Wireless in the near-term? Can you confirm there is not a period where T-Mobile has exclusivity rights to the tower's use? Is the tower being built to leverage 5G, as well? Also, THANK YOU for all the time and energy to make this happen - my husband and I both work full time from our home offices in Hills East, and the lack of cell coverage is a constant pain point. It is also a safety concern that cell phones don't work at/near the Cottonwood Creek elementary school (last weekend we encountered a girl sledding on the hill by the playground who seemed to have broken her wrist, but we had no way to help her call her parents!).
Please do this! Our cell phone coverage is terrible. I walk by this route daily and this would not bother me at all. Our community needs cell improvements desperately. Thank you!
Please get Verizon to co-locate.
I strongly support the tower. I live near the Lakeview Park tower and the view doesn't bother me at all. What does bother me is the lack of cell service my family and our visitors have. I believe it is a safety concern.

Adding more cell towers is VERY important to me and my family. In the age in disappearing land lines, having reliable cellphone network is a matter of life and dead. I personally had issues dialing emergency numbers during a power outage. Our neighborhood needs additional cellphone capacity.
Cell phone service is horrible around our house (Verizon) - would welcome improvement.
Wireless coverage is needed in this area. The current coverage is very poor.
yes, please - Verizon coverage in neighborhood is very poor and always has been!

Respondents that answered "no" to supporting the cell tower:

The proposed tower and surrounding support structures will significantly impact the esthetics of the Peakview Park. The proposed access road would further encourage vehicle traffic, which is already a problem because of present unauthorized use. The additional 30 foot height of this cell tower, makes it a very different installations as compared to the Lakeview installation. Additionally this installation has additional support buildings.
This tower would be an eyesore and is unnecessary as there more and more options like wifi calling that make this a poor choice.
No more cell towers. Adamantly against it.
My concerns are not aesthetic. My concerns are health and safety from cell tower emissions. There are studies indicating health issues.
Please keep the park property intact and as is.
Health Issues!
I am completely against this dissection of our beautiful park. All year we walk dogs across that field. We have flown kites, played catch and simply relaxed there for 25 years. The Park District should preserve Peakview not ruin it!
I do not want a house sized structure in the middle of Peakview Park, nor do I want an 80 ft. tower. We visit this park everyday with our dogs and do not want the arrangement of this park to be disrupted. Children use this park everyday for play and practices. Surely with all the open land just east of this park there is somewhere else to put this tower!
50 feet is not 70-80 feet. Sounds very intrusive.
The "footprint" of the facility is too large (1600 sq. ft. is about that of a house ! Also, the tower is much taller than the one at Lakeview Park, pictured above. Also, the Lakeview cell tower is off to the side and well camouflaged with mature trees. if the proposed tower was like the Lakeview tower in size and location, I could accept it.
Terrible location and the pole is way too high.
This location is problematic as I see it. Why couldn't it be placed further east, just to the southeast of the basketball court? Many fewer people traverse this spot compared to the proposed/diagrammed spot.
Will this cell tower dramatically impact the cell phone coverage for the entire area?
There are so many dangers from electromagnetic field (EMF) to humans and the human brain and like it Lakeview Park it is surrounded by neighborhood housing and children and all people who come to play or walk at the park. It is unconscionable.
As a resident, I like to use the park and appreciate the green space. Adding a large cell phone tower is the exact opposite of what a green space is supposed to provide. It would definitely detract from the park experience, and I am opposed to such a plan.
We don't need this and it would be an eyesore to our neighborhood
Suggest postponing construction until parcel to the South is developed. Tower to be built on parcel to the South of Peakview park.
I am strongly opposed to this proposal, primarily for aesthetic reasons. An 80-foot tower would be visible throughout the neighborhood and I find the "fake tree" cell towers hideous. It also seems unsafe to place a brick wall and baseball backstop so close to the soccer field. We do not need another baseball backstop, as

the one currently in the park is rarely used. Finally, I have T-Mobile and get excellent service in the neighborhood, so I don't understand why this is necessary or beneficial for our community.
Size the tower more like that in Lakeview Park. Move the tower away from the middle near existing taller trees It takes too much prime parkland where located
We think another location would be able to accommodate the needs of the mobil.
I have trouble believing that this is the only place that this tower can go. Is there a financial gain for the district?
I am strongly against adding a cell tower to our park
The proposed height of the cell phone tower is completely out of scale as none of the existing trees will reach 50' in height over the next 20 years. Also, taking 1,518 square feet as an enclosed area and out of park use is excessive and not tolerable to me (us). We recognize the need for enhanced cell phone service in our area, but this plan on public land is unacceptable.
The park is for the use of the seniors, children and families in the area. This is unsightly in a neighborhood, and since Arapahoe Rd has many businesses--and many properties for sale. T Mobile should purchase property and put their cell tower on it--and then pay taxes on that property. Putting the cell tower on property that taxpayers pay for just doesn't seem right. From the information provided here, I can't see that the neighborhood would benefit from this request--there are no significant improvements made to the park that would benefit the people who live, work and play there. Finally, the proposed cell phone tower is on the path that people walk on. I urge the board to consider whether this is the best use of this space--this is where people connect from one neighborhood to the next. By the way, the Lakeview cell is unsightly and this photo is deceptive--its too close to homes, it can be seen from the street and these trees don't really cover us this spot. Finally--this is a place for children and their health should be at the forefront of your concerns. Town parks should not be used for this when there are so many other places near industry where this can go.
Why agree to a tower that only benefits T-Mobile customers? This proposal is ludicrous, and will impact the property values for those of us in close proximity. People don't NEED good cell coverage at home, as other options are available. If their cell coverage is poor, they should change carriers and not impact the rest of us. This must be stopped!
Don't need it. Locate tower on other side of Arapahoe road. It's in the flight path of Centennial Airport.
Correct me if I am wrong, but it is my understanding that the cell tower at Lakeview Park is also a T Mobile facility. Since my cell service provider is Verizon and our service is woefully inadequate, due to a lack of a geographically suitable tower location, selfishly I would prefer any new service tower to be that of Verizon.
The negative radiation effect to human health will need to be considered and weighed as a result of the high power radio frequency in close proximity to nearby residents
Ideally, I am against building a cell tower anywhere in Peakview Park. Consider moving it towards that data facility (Time Warner building?) or somewhere where it won't obscure the view of the park. I am a resident near Peakview Park

Respondents that answered "undecided" to supporting the cell tower:

I know this is needed but it would be better if it was on the opposite side of the basketball court. It appears to be in the middle of the park.
As a community we should understand what the lease payments will be and how they will be spent. Also, I would like to see it moved further south - can it go south of the sidewalk?
Is the concrete path around the park still going to be accessible in its entirety?
not sure we need another baseball field as the local groups no longer use the area fields. seems everyone goes to Dove Valley. I would also like to know how much the district will receive in payments and how those funds will help the overall district?.

Survey Results based on park proximity

Would you support adding a cell tower, as described above, at Peakview Park?

	Yes	No	Undecided	Percentage
Sunset Park	62	5	2	31%
Orchard Park	18	10	1	13%
Sunrise Vista Park (Vista II)	9	1	0	5%
Prairie Vista Park (Windemere)	17	5	2	11%
Lakeview Park	14	5	0	9%
Peakview Park	30	30	9	31%

Peakview Park Respondent Proximity Details

The following details include respondents (72) who reported living closest to Peakview Park.

How often do you use Peakview Park?

	Frequency	Percentage
Daily	28	39%
Weekly	26	36%
Monthly	8	11%
Annually	3	4%
Other	7	10%

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Yes	30	43.5%
No	30	43.5%
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Skipped question	3	

Respondents that answered "yes" additional comments:

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