

FCC CTIA Comment We have in our town, (Littleton, Ma,) an excellent set of bylaws governing, (and even encouraging) the placement of cell phone towers. The bylaws were designed to allow the placement of the towers on municipal or, if necessary, industrially-zoned areas. The system has worked very well, there is good overall coverage, and there are no complaints from the local populace. Monies from the leases on municipal land go towards lake clean-up and purchase of more municipal open space (and by extension, more space for cell phone towers. ) We would encourage to deny the CTIA Petition. In the past, a few companies have blanketed the town with requests for variances. Littleton does not deny these companies the right to locate towers in the community. They do require them to be cited properly however, and for the sake of the citizens and property values we would not want to lose that control. If anything, we would encourage you to increase the abilities of local communities to make their own decisions regarding these matters. It does not seem just that an industry can lower local property values without any oversight or input from local taxpayers and voters. John Hanson Mitchell