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PORT ANGELES
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DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: Thursday, September 4, 2025
TO: Hearing Examiner
FROM: Ben Braudrick, AICP, Planning Supervisor
RE: UUP 25-0104 Public Comment

INTRODUCTION

This memo and its attachment serves as the official response to public comment from City staff and includes all noticing procedures, documentation, individual comments as responses.

PUBLIC NOTICING PROCEDURES

Public notice for Land Use Application UUP 25-0104 was opened on Saturday, August 2, 2025, closed on Friday, August 16, 2025, and was provided in the following manner:

- In the Peninsula Daily News: August 2, 2025
- Onsite: August 1, 2025
- To all property owners within 300' of the exterior property boundaries of the proposal lot/s as listed by the Clallam County Assessor: August 2, 2025
- At the City Hall Noticing Board: August 1, 2025
- On the City's Website: August 1, 2025

See Attachment A for noticing documentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were three individual public comments received by staff during the open public comment period. All the comments were in opposition of the proposal and two of the comments were concerned about the health implications regarding the adjacency of the telecommunication tower to residences.

STAFF RESPONSE

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) provides the following guidance on human exposure to radio frequency fields:

“Normal ground-level exposure is much less than the exposure that might be encountered if one were very close to the antenna and in its main transmitted beam. Measurements made near typical cellular and PCS cell sites have shown that ground-level power densities are well below the exposure limits recommended by RF/microwave safety standards used by the FCC.” See Attachment D for the full response from the FCC

Conditions placed on the permit in response to public comment

- None.

Attachment A: Public Noticing Documentation

Attachment B: Public Comment Response Matrix

Attachment C: Individual Written Comments by Date Received

Attachment D: FCC Guidance of RF Fields

Exhibit 5 PUBLIC NOTICE

Attachment A

- Public Hearing Process for an Unclassified Use Permit Application (UUP 25-0104) -

Application Type: Unclassified Use Permit

Zone: IL, Industrial Light

Description: Construction of a 120-foot telecommunication tower, associated equipment, and service access.

Submitted: July 1, 2025

Applicant: Atlas Tower

Determined Complete: July 21, 2024

Location: Parcel 0630-00-11-1900; 1700 Block of West 18th Street

Comment Period Close: Written comment must be received by August 16, 2025.

WHAT: The City of Port Angeles received a development application. Application information may be found on the City's website: <https://www.cityofpa.us/145/Current-Projects-and-Plans>

HOW TO COMMENT: Interested parties are encouraged to comment on the proposal and may request a copy of the decision once it's been made and any appeal rights. Written comments must be submitted prior to the close of the public hearing, care of the Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED) ced@cityofpa.us or 321 E 5th Street, Port Angeles WA 98362 c/o DCED.

DATE/TIME OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING: Thursday, September 4, 2025 @ 10:00 AM PST

LOCATION OF HEARING: This meeting will be held virtually.

HEARING PARTICIPATION: This hearing will be held in a virtual meeting only. The Audio Only and Live Hearing function will be available 30 minutes prior to the meeting. If you are unable to attend the hearing, or unable to deliver audio public testimony during the public hearing as described above, you may submit written public comment. All written public testimony must be postmarked prior to August 16, 2025.

[LEARN ABOUT THIS LIVE MEETING: www.cityofpa.us/Live-Virtual-Meetings

Toll Free Phone Number for Audio Only*: 1-844-992-4726 **Access Code:** 2557 878 4998

(*Audio Only Testimony for those without internet access: Instructions will be given during meeting)

DECISION AND APPEAL INFORMATION: The Hearing Examiner decision will be made based on the Staff Report, record, and written public comment, within 170 days of the date of completeness determination. Any appeal of this decision shall be filed within 14 days after the date of decision.

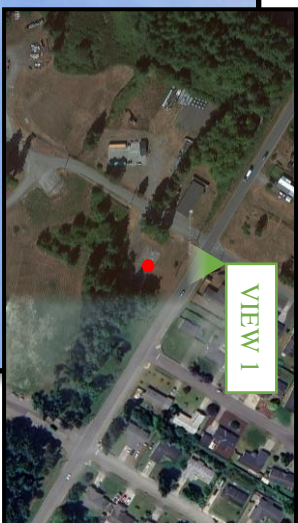
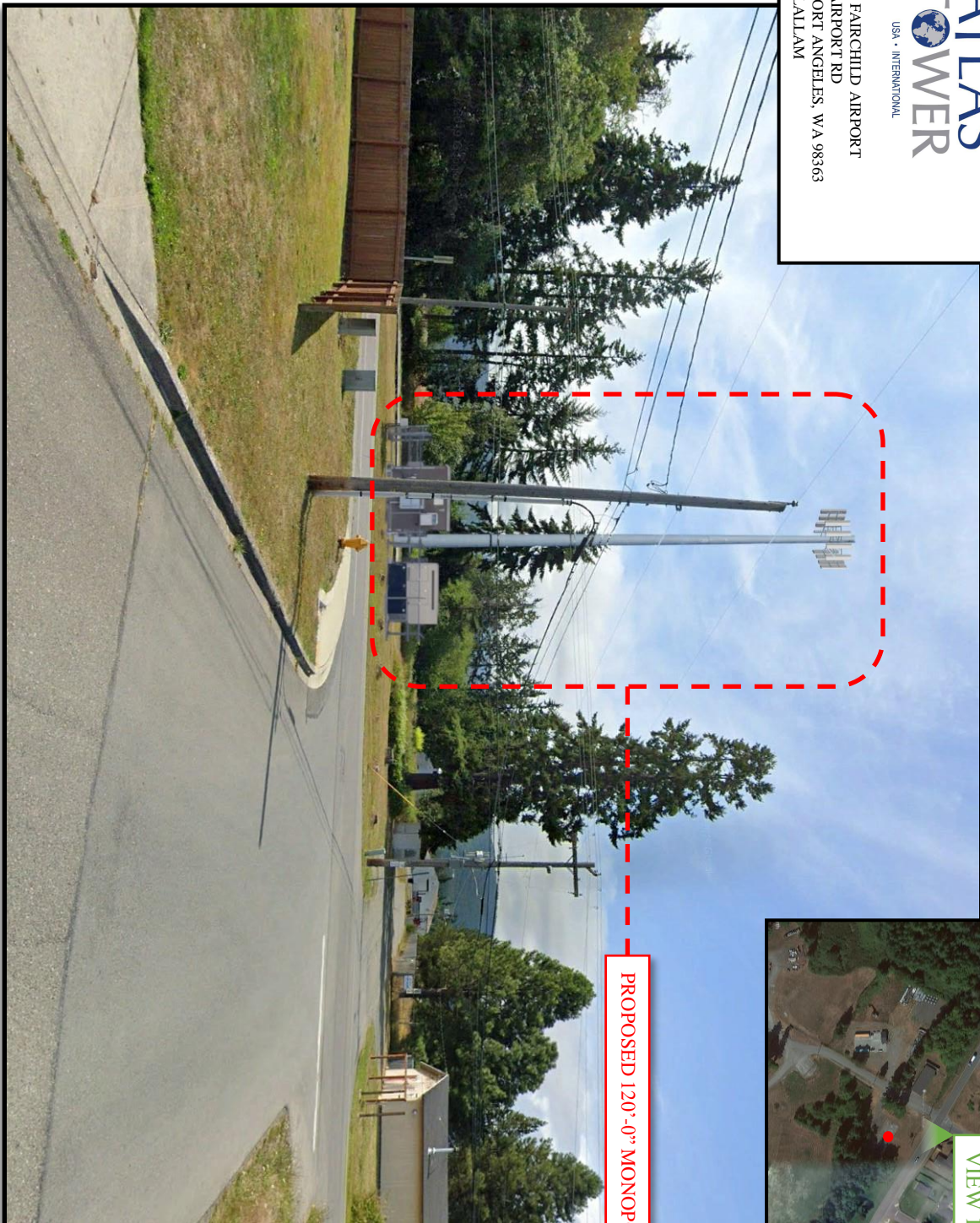
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Ben Braudrick, *Planning Supervisor* at (360) 417-4750 or ced@cityofpa.us.

PUBLISH ON: August 2, 2025

SITE #:
SITE NAME: FAIRCHILD AIRPORT
ADDRESS: AIRPORT RD
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363
COUNTY: CLALLAM



PROPOSED VIEW: LOCATION 1



PROPOSED 120'-0" MONOPOLE TOWER



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AARON P SCOTT
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PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

AMBER NICOLE MCKENZIE
1935 WEST 18TH STREET
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

ANDREA J FRY
1709 SOUTH O ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

ANDREW J AND LEIRE G MOON
1019 W 7TH STREET
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

BENJAMIN JAY SINCLAIR SR
PO BOX 2343
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

BRUCE R CARLSON
1723 S BUTLER ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

CHRISTOPHER C SAENZ
1925 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

CLALLAM COUNTY
223 E 4TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

CREDIT HOUSING LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 3080
BELLEVUE, WA 98009-3080

DANIEL CARRIVEAU
1919 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363-5109

DAVID AND JUSTINA FOLSOM
1723 DELORES PL
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

DIANA J AND TERRILL L BOSSELL
21202 127TH PL SE
KENT, WA 98031

DON AND VICTORIA MISCHER
372 GRIFFITH FARM RD
SEQUIM, WA 98382

DONALD R LAIRD
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PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

FKC CO LTD
2708 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

FRANCIS G BRUNI
PO BOX 1735
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

HERB AND ROBERTA PAULY
1721 S N ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

JAMES J AND PATRICIA J SWENSON
1722 DELORES PL
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

JAMES REYNOLDS AND BRENDA
ROBINSON
2100 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363-5123

JEFFREY T AND MIKI GONZALES
2405 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES OF PORT
ANGELES
828 GOLF COURSE RD NUMBER 1
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

JOMEL AND JOSEFINA LEHTO
1724 DELORES PL
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

JORDAN SHERWOOD HILL AND KELLI
LATTA
2019 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

KELLY AND DEBORAH STEED
1711 S DELORES PL
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

LEONARD AND PHYLLIS ARNDT
1715 S O ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363-1317

LINDA L DEWOLF TTE
1716 DELORES PL
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

MELISSA SCHROEDER
1917 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

MICHAEL AND DEVON ROMERO
PO BOX 1947
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

MIRANDA NICOLE LAIDIG
1710 S O ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

NATHANIEL KINLOW TTE
2328 SOUTH J ST
TACOMA, WA 98405

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PATRICIA C CAVER ET AL JTWROS
2365 NORTH STREET
REDDING, CA 96001

PATRICIA HUNT
607 THISTLE ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

Attachment A

PENINSULA HOUSING AUTHORITY
2603 S FRANCIS ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

PENINSULA RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB
PO BOX 895
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362-0155

PETER A LANG TTE
992 VISTA DEL MAR DR
SEQUIM, WA 98382

PORT OF PORT ANGELES
PO BOX 1350
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362-0251

R AND R DEVELOPMENT NW LLC
6849 OLD OLYMPIC HWY SW
OLYMPIA, WA 98512

RAYMOND W DOWNING
2131 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

SALLY L ROWLAND
1921 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363-5109

SEAN D COOK
2711 W EIGHTEENTH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

SERENITY HOUSE OF CLALLAM
COUNTY
PO BOX 4047
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

SHANE AND JODY R FORSELL
81 WILD CURRANT WAY
PORT ANGELES, WA 98362

TAMIKO M VANBUSKIRK
2125 W EIGHTEENTH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

TISHA MARVIN TRUST
1713 S BUTLER ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

WILLA D STEPHENS
1937 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363-5109

WILLIAM J AND JEAN M SALLEE
2421 W 18TH ST
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363

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Address	321 E. Fifth Street	E-Mail	Bbraudri@cityofpa.us		
	PORT ANGELES, WA, 98362	Fax			
Order#	1017544	Requested By	BEN BRAUDRICK	Order Price	\$88.48
Classification	9932 - City of Port Angeles Legals	PO #	UUP 25-0104 NOTICE	Tax 1	\$0.00
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		E-Mail	linda.clenard@soundpublishing.com		
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Public Comment Matrix

Public Comments and Responses Regarding UUP 25-0104

Sheets included:

Public - Written comments - includes comments that were submitted to the Department of Community & Economic Development in writing

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Attachment B

Public Comments - Written Comments						
#	Date	Form	Name	Topic	Comment (may be paraphrased or abridged)	Response / Recommendation
1	8/5/2025	Email	Jena Stamper	Health	I am writing to you today to express my deepest concern about Atlas wanting to install this communication tower near our residential areas. It is irresponsible for a city to allow these kind of installations without knowing what kind of dangers they possess or can do to the neighbors who live around these areas. I personally have had several friends that I've lived near these type of towers that have had both fertility and cancer issues. I do understand that Internet and phone services are an important part of life, but at what point does that outweigh our health? Please do not allow this tower to be put up in this neighborhood or any other neighborhood for that matter.	Comment Acknowledged. See Attachment D of the Public Comment Memo.
2	8/5/2025	Email	Stephanie Melnick	Health	No new 5g towers in PA!!! We should get rid of the ones already standing, especially since we're about to lose our hospital! The health risk for citizen is not worth the faster internet speed! I would like to be apprised of the decision made, please.	Comment Acknowledged. See Attachment D of the Public Comment Memo.
3	8/5/2025	Email	Tasha Ross	Opposition	I am writing to formally express my concerns and opposition to the tower being installed on 18th street. We do not want this here. Thank you.	Comment Acknowledged.

From: [Jena Stamper](#)
To: [Community and Economic Development](#)
Subject: Proposed tower on 18th st
Date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 2:15:23 PM

[CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL]

I am writing to you today to express my deepest concern about Atlas wanting to install this communication tower near our residential areas.

It is irresponsible for a city to allow these kind of installations without knowing what kind of dangers they possess or can do to the neighbors who live around these areas.

I personally have had several friends that I've lived near these type of towers that have had both fertility and cancer issues.

I do understand that Internet and phone services are an important part of life, but at what point does that outweigh our health?

Please do not allow this tower to be put up in this neighborhood or any other neighborhood for that matter.

Sincerely

Jena Stamper
Concerned citizen
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Stephanie Melnick](#)
To: [Community and Economic Development](#)
Subject: 5g
Date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 7:53:53 AM

[CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL]

No new 5g towers in PA!!! We should get rid of the ones already standing, especially since we're about to lose our hospital! The health risk for citizen is not worth the faster internet speed! I would like to be apprised of the decision made, please.

Stephanie Melnick

From: [Tasha](#)
To: [Community and Economic Development](#)
Subject: Tower installation opposition
Date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 10:42:19 AM

[CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hello

I am writing to formally express my concerns and opposition to the tower being installed on 18th street. We do not want this here

Thank you.

Tasha from my iPhone



Consumer Guide

Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Fields: Guidelines for Cellular Antenna Sites

Primary antennas for transmitting wireless telephone service, including cellular and Personal Communications Service (PCS), are usually located outdoors on towers, water tanks and other elevated structures like rooftops and sides of buildings. The combination of antenna towers and associated electronic equipment is referred to as a “cellular or PCS cell site” or “base station.” Cellular or PCS cell site towers are typically 50-200 feet high. Antennas are usually arranged in groups of three, with one antenna in each group used to transmit signals to mobile units, and the other two antennas used to receive signals from mobile units.

At a cell site, the total radio frequency (RF) power that can be transmitted from each transmitting antenna depends on the number of radio channels (transmitters) that have been authorized by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the power of each transmitter. Although the FCC permits an effective radiated power (ERP) of up to 500 watts per channel (depending on the tower height), the majority of cellular or PCS cell sites in urban and suburban areas operate at an ERP of 100 watts per channel or less.

An ERP of 100 watts corresponds to an actual radiated power of 5-10 watts, depending on the type of antenna used. In urban areas, cell sites commonly emit an ERP of 10 watts per channel or less. For PCS cell sites, even lower ERPs are typical. As with all forms of electromagnetic energy, the power density from a cellular or PCS transmitter rapidly decreases as distance from the antenna increases.

Consequently, normal ground-level exposure is much less than the exposure that might be encountered if one were very close to the antenna and in its main transmitted beam. Measurements made near typical cellular and PCS cell sites have shown that ground-level power densities are well below the exposure limits recommended by RF/microwave safety standards used by the FCC.

Guidelines

In 1996, the FCC adopted updated guidelines for evaluating human exposure to RF fields from fixed transmitting antennas such as those used for cellular and PCS cell sites. The FCC’s guidelines are identical to those recommended by the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP), a non-profit corporation chartered by Congress to develop information and recommendations concerning radiation protection. The FCC’s guidelines also resemble the 1992 guidelines recommended by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), a non-profit technical and professional engineering society, and endorsed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), a nonprofit, privately-funded membership organization that coordinates development of voluntary national standards in the United States.

In the case of cellular and PCS cell site transmitters, the FCC’s RF exposure guidelines recommend a maximum permissible exposure level to the general public of approximately 580 microwatts per square centimeter. This limit is many times greater than RF levels typically found near the base of cellular or PCS cell site towers or in the vicinity of other, lower-powered cell site transmitters. Calculations corresponding to a “worst-case” situation (all transmitters operating simultaneously and continuously at the maximum licensed power) show that, in order to be exposed to RF levels near the FCC’s guidelines, an individual would essentially have to remain in the main transmitting beam and within a



few feet of the antenna for several minutes or longer. Thus, the possibility that a member of the general public could be exposed to RF levels in excess of the FCC guidelines is extremely remote.

When cellular and PCS antennas are mounted on rooftops, RF emissions could exceed higher than desirable guideline levels on the rooftop itself, even though rooftop antennas usually operate at lower power levels than free-standing power antennas. Such levels might become an issue for maintenance or other personnel working on the rooftop. Exposures exceeding the guidelines levels, however, are only likely to be encountered very close to, and directly in front of, the antennas. In such cases, precautions such as time limits can avoid exposure in excess of the guidelines. Individuals living or working within the building are not at risk.

Consumer Help Center

For more information on consumer issues, visit the FCC's Consumer Help Center at www.fcc.gov/consumers.

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