

NARRATIVE STATEMENT

Crown Castle 4540 East 146th Street Development Plan

An existing power substation exists at 4540 East 146th Street, at property owned by Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. This intensely developed power substation includes a variety of large electrical equipment, poles and wires typical of such facilities. Additionally, an existing wireless telecommunications facility also exists at this power substation site, including 101-foot tall wood poles.

Due to the ever-expanding use of wireless service, growing customer base, and projected increases in demand for data services, virtually all wireless providers are seeking new facilities and upgrading existing facilities throughout the nation and beyond. In an effort to upgrade the existing wireless communications facility at 4546 East 146th Street, Crown Castle proposes to replace a 101-foot tall wood pole with a new 154'5" tall steel monopole structure. This new pole will accommodate additional services and additional carriers, and will help to increase service in the vicinity, including southeastern Westfield.

Although Crown Castle proposes to upgrade this existing, long-standing facility, at an intensely-developed power substation property, this upgrade requires a Development Plan approval from the Westfield – Washington Township Plan Commission.



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RE: Crown Castle Site Name: 146th and Gray
Site Location Address: 4540 East 146th Street
Site #: BU 873892
Petition: 1507-DDP-10

Attn: Mr. Todd,

In response to equipment upgrades requests at the subject property that cannot be accommodated on the existing wooden poles, Crown Castle has proposed to replace two wood poles with a single steel monopole structure. The monopole structure will be capable of holding the proposed equipment as well and will have the structural capacity for at least 2 additional wireless carriers.

As a part of the development review process, we have conducted a ½ mile search to identify any tall structures that could accommodate the existing and proposed equipment. There are no tall structures within the search area capable of accommodating the required installations. The search area map is attached.

The need for a replacement structure is derived directly from overall telecommunications network demands within Hamilton County and in turn, the increase demand of wireless infrastructure. Our plan is to reduce the number of wireless towers required by constructing a tower that will accommodate multiple wireless carriers and place this tower in a location compatible to the surrounding uses.

Crown Castle would like to thank City representatives thus far for their thorough review and assure the Westfield community that we will construct and maintain this site in accordance with the highest industry development standards in mind.

Please notify me directly of any requests for additional information and/or documentation at 317-249-2028 or Michael.Gasser@crowncastle. On behalf of Crown Castle, I would like to thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Michael Gasser', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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Search Area Map

