



Orange Lodge No. 1475

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
Building Association

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To Whom It May Concern
Design Review Committee and Orange Planning Commission
City of Orange

Please accept this letter as our formal Letter of Support for the AT&T application for a cell tower on the rooftop of the Orange Elks Lodge building located at 201-211 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA.

As a quick background, we currently have three cell towers on our rooftop including Verizon, T-Mobile and Sprint with the Sprint site being decommissioned. Knowing of the impending decommissioning of one of the towers, we proactively reached out to AT&T to offer them the opportunity of locating to our rooftop in place of the decommissioned Sprint site. We have been working with AT&T since the start of summer 2023 and they have diligently conducted surveys of the building and reportedly have plans ready to present to the City of Orange for approval. We chose to contact AT&T as there seems to be a void of coverage in Old Towne Orange provided by the AT&T carrier, and we feel this would be a great community benefit for all residents, businesses and visitors of Old Towne Orange as well as to the 1700+ members of the Orange Elks Lodge #1475.

Orange Elks Lodge, with a membership of over 1700, is a charitable organization and we are very involved in the community and support numerous charities throughout the city of Orange and beyond including the following, to name a few: Eli Home, Youth Scholarship Program, Shop with a Cop, Orange Fire Cadet Program, Scouts, various Orange youth athletic programs, Christmas Baskets, Down Syndrome Association of Orange, Field of Valor, Veterans, and Orange K-9 Police Dog.

We treasure our historic building and, as you can attest, we completed a rather costly repainting of the building last year. The decision to have AT&T with us was contemplated such that any installation of the replacement cell tower not adversely affect the aesthetics of the building from street level. Based on the preliminary plans we reviewed, it appears that the aesthetics will not change. Therefore, we are in full support of AT&T's application and urge you to also support the project.

Should you have any questions, we are happy to hear from you; my contact information is 714-306-9595 and wilsonNb@aol.com. Thank you!

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