

## **((5G)) Winnipeg Awareness!**

### **Campaign to Halt 5G Cell Network Antennas in Winnipeg: First Stop - Wolseley**

**WINNIPEG, AUGUST 6, 2020.** 5G Winnipeg Awareness will kick off a campaign to stop the rollout of 5G wireless cell network antennas in Winnipeg with a public meeting.

**Date:** Tuesday, August 11, 2020

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Place:** Vimy Ridge Memorial Park, 821 Preston Avenue (Portage Ave. & Home Street), Winnipeg

The objective is to work towards a moratorium on rollout of 5G cell antennas until the safety of 5G wireless technology is fully studied and the findings confirmed by qualified researchers who are independent of the telecommunications industry. No health safety studies have been conducted on long-term exposures to 5G technologies.

The City of Winnipeg is planning on how to proceed with the permitting of at least 3,400, but maybe more than 7,000 4G/5G cell network antennas throughout Winnipeg, mostly in residential areas. Trials of communications equipment, but not health effects, are to begin in selected areas.

Who, what, where, when? The City has not yet revealed which companies will conduct these trials, or which neighbourhoods will be affected first.

“The City has said it will inform the public through its Public Engagement process, but this may come too late. We know that Manitoba Hydro is allowing at least one telecommunications company to go ahead with a pilot project. It is not known whether the City of Winnipeg has issued a permit for this or whether Manitoba Hydro can proceed independently,” said Marg Friesen spokesperson for 5G Winnipeg Awareness. “Before any further work, Winnipeggers have a right to know about this technology, where it will be deployed, and the risks to our health and the environment. There are just too many unanswered questions to rush into commitments with such severe potential consequences. We need transparency and accountability.”

Topics at the meeting will include:

1. An overview of what is known about the plans to install more than 3,400 cell network antennas throughout Winnipeg
2. The flaws in Health Canada safety guidelines for wireless technology radiation emissions
3. Health risks of cell antenna network radiation and the implications for human rights
4. Environmental risks and safer options.

Speakers will include: a former telecommunications engineer with Manitoba Hydro, a biophysicist who was key to the replacement of asbestos-lined water supply pipes in Winnipeg, a biologist who advocated for buffer zones for mosquito fogging and a ban on cosmetic pesticides used on lawns, and a business owner and resident of Wolseley.

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**Background:**

- 393 scientists and medical doctors from more than 40 countries warn that *“5G will substantially increase exposure to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields ... that [have] been proven to be harmful for humans and the environment.”* They have asked the European Union to stop the deployment of 5G technology *“until potential hazards for human health and the environment have been fully investigated by scientists independent from industry.”* Source: <http://www.5gappeal.eu/>
- The 5G rollout has been halted in Brussels, Belgium, and parts of Italy and Switzerland until adverse health and environmental consequences can be more fully investigated.
- Scientists and doctors, including Dr. Anthony Miller, a Canadian MD, epidemiologist and former advisor to the World Health Organization, have stated that recent scientific evidence supports identifying radiofrequency radiation, including the 5G frequencies, as a hazard that is known to be *“carcinogenic to humans”* (the same as asbestos and cigarette smoking). Children are particularly vulnerable.
- More than 30 peer-reviewed scientific studies show DNA damage, and three reviews and meta-analyses show sperm damage from radiofrequency radiation emission levels that Health Canada claims are safe.

**More information:** <https://5gwinnipegawareness.ca/>