

Staff Report

Presented By: Candace Hamm, Manager, Planning and Development
Meeting Date: April 20, 2026
Subject: Notice of Communication Tower Application – 1071 Goderich Street
Attachment(s): Information Package

Recommendation

That Council receive the Notice of Communications Tower Application – 1071 Goderich Street report for information.

Report Summary

Bell Mobility Inc. (Bell) is proposing a 35m communications tower on lands abutting 1071 Goderich Street in Port Elgin. The applicant (Bell) will provide direct mail notices to landowners within 105m and publish a newspaper advertisement for residents to be able to provide comments on the proposal. Following the consultation, a report will be provided to Council setting out staff comments for final input and to affirm whether the consultation occurred in accordance with the regulations.

Background/Analysis

Bell is proposing a 35m communications tower (Figure 1) on lands abutting 1071 Goderich Street in Port Elgin. The site is approximately 22m from the right-of-way (Figure 2 and 3).

Bell is required to comply with all federal regulations and protocols with respect to the consideration of this proposal. Per the federal regulations, Bell is required to inform and seek input from the local municipality and its residents. This will include an advertisement in the Shoreline Beacon and direct mail notice to landowners within 105m of the proposed tower site.

Part of this process includes this report to Council stating the intent of the proposal and informing the municipality of the consultation processes.

The application has been circulated to Town staff for technical review and comment. Following the municipal and public consultation, a follow-up report will be provided to Council setting out staff comments for final input and to affirm whether the consultation occurred in accordance with the federal regulations.

Figure 1: Installation of a tower with similar design



Linkages

- Strategic Plan Alignment: Pillar 1: Meeting the Needs of a Growing Community
- Business Plan Alignment: Development Services Business as Usual

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding

No costs or revenue is associated with this report.

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Figure 2: Location map of approximate tower site



