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Strongly OPPOSING these contracts as an egregious form of corporate welfare.

The wireless companies got a decision from an industry-friendly FCC that pole siting license fees should be only at cost.

The SFPUC appealed that decision and lost.

The SFPUC (and SFMTA) are now willing to enter into longterm 12 (twelve) year contracts claiming they have no choice as the wireless companies won the appeal and are now insisting on longterm contracts.

There is a choice.

The SFPUC (and SFMTA) can let the current contracts expire and let the wireless companies site their antennas elsewhere.

This was stated at public comment when these items were heard at the SFPUC Commission.

The SFPUC response is that this could interrupt wireless service.

And?

This is the rationale being used to justify enabling corporate welfare?

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