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Appendix A – Small Cell Facilities

This appendix summarizes the contents of Title 6, Chapter 1, Article F, “Small Cell Facilities in the Public Right-of-Way” of the Code of the City of Harrisonburg. In the event of a discrepancy between the two documents, the Code is controlling.

Application Requirements

All applications for small cell facilities in the public right-of-way must contain the following:

- 1) The name, address, telephone number, and email address of the wireless service provider or wireless infrastructure provider.
- 2) The names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of any consultants acting on behalf of the applicant with respect to the application.
- 3) A general description of the proposed work.
- 4) If erecting a **new wireless support structure**:
 - A physical survey of the area and the precise location where the wireless support structure will be installed.
 - A location map and elevation drawing of the proposed wireless support structure prepared and certified by a professional engineer indicating: the location, type, and height of all structures associated with the facility; the planned capacity; means of access; position in relation to the public street or alley right-of-way lines; and all applicable American National Standards Institute technical and structural codes.
 - Photo simulations of the proposed wireless support structure.
- 5) If locating on an **existing structure**, evidence that the applicant has permission from the owner of the structure to co-locate the equipment on the structure.

Support Structures

Proposed new or replacement support structures must:

- 1) Be either (i) no more than 50 feet above ground level, or (ii) with the attached wireless facilities, is no more than 10 feet above the tallest existing utility pole within 500 feet of the new structure within the same public right-of-way.
- 2) Be located such that they do not interfere with public health or safety, such as, but not limited to, a fire hydrant, fire station, fire escape, water valve, underground vault, valve housing structure, or any other public health or safety facility.
- 3) Be located in such a manner so as to prevent interference with existing poles or facilities in the right-of-way.
- 4) Not be located directly over any traffic signal communication, water, sewer, gas, electric or reuse main or service line.



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- 5) Be made of the same or similar material as existing poles or, if none, utility poles in the immediate area.

Applications for new support structures may be denied for, among other reasons, incompleteness, lack of a load bearing study, failure to comply with the above requirements, and concerns about structural capacity, safety, reliability, or generally applicable engineering practices.

Co-Location

A wireless service provider or wireless infrastructure provider may install small cell facilities on an existing structure, provided the provider submits an application to the City demonstrating that permission has been granted by the owner of the structure.

Where a wireless service provider or wireless infrastructure provider wishes to co-locate on a city structure, the City will negotiate in good faith to arrive at mutually agreeable contract terms and conditions.