

City of Hermosa Beach

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Staff Report

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Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council Regular Meeting of October 23, 2018

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW
AND REGULATE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND UPDATE ON AT&T'S
PROPOSAL FOR MULTIPLE INSTALLATIONS OF SMALLER
WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES TO PROVIDE
REPLACEMENT COVERAGE TO EXISTING SITES
LOCATED AT 20TH AND 29TH COURT

(Continued from meeting of September 25, 2018)
(Community Development Director Ken Robertson)

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that the City Council continue to November 27, 2018 the public hearing to consider an ordinance to allow and regulate wireless communication facilities in the public right-of-way, and, provide an update on AT&T's proposal for multiple installations of smaller wireless communication facilities to provide replacement coverage to existing sites located at 20th and 29th Court.

Background:

Since November of 2017, AT&T has been working on preparing applications for 16 small cell sites within the City's ROW to provide replacement coverage for the removal and replacement of the existing 20th and 29th Court facilities. AT&T expects to submit its applications; however, it needs an ordinance to reference prior to submittal in order to ensure that its applications are complete.

Working closely with the City Attorney's office, staff prepared a draft ordinance to allow and regulate wireless communication facilities in the public right-of-way (ROW). The City Attorney advised that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, approved an extensive 116 page wireless infrastructure order (attached).

Given the new FCC order, the City's Attorney's Office and staff need more time to consider the order and to make necessary revisions to the draft ordinance. Therefore, staff recommends that City Council continue the public hearing to its November 27, 2018 meeting.

Attachments:

 FCC Declaratory Ruling and Third Report and Order: Accelerating wireless broadband deployment by removing barriers to infrastructure investment https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-18-133A1.pdf

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