Response to FCC Small Cell Order



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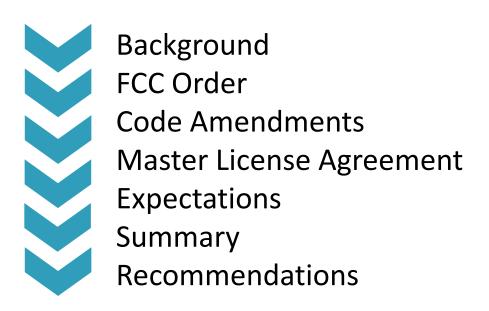
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Council Study Session



Agenda

Purpose:

- FCC Order response:
 - Code Changes
 - Master License Agreement
- Direction for January 22 Regular Session

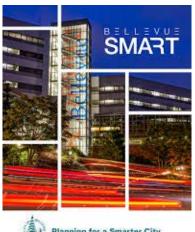




Background



- Small Cell and Bellevue Smart
- Council input Dec 2016
- FCC Order
- 4G current, 300' range, more locations
- 5G developing, builds atop 4G w/larger equipment

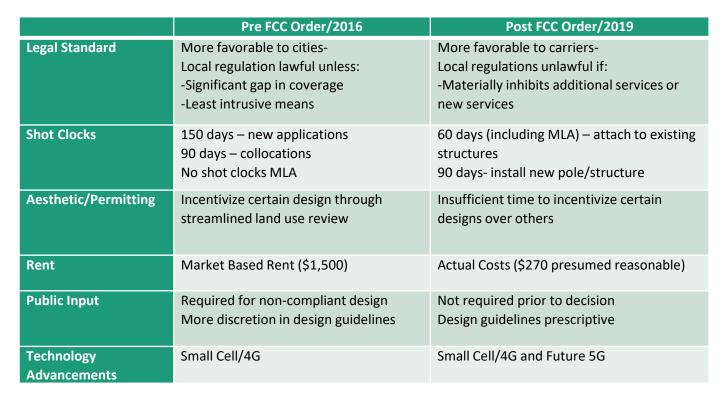


FCC Order

- Change in legal standard "Effective prohibition"
- Establishes definition for SWF
 - Antenna 3 ft³
 - Antenna Equipment 28 ft³
- Rent:
 - limited to cost recovery
 - default of \$270/pole/yr
- Design:
 - Reasonable
 - No more burdensome than those applied to other types of infrastructure deployments
 - Objective and published in advance
- Shot Clocks for permitting review:
 - 60 days existing poles
 - 90 days new pole

FCC Order

Pre/Post Order:



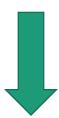


FCC Order



Response:

- Interdepartmental team
- Research other cities
- Consulted with qualified outside Counsel
- Coordinated with carriers & deployers



- 1) Code amendments
- 2) Master License Agreement

Code Amendments

<u>Why?</u> Regulate consistent with FCC Order <u>What?</u> Amend BCC Title 6 – Telecommunications

Specifics:

- BCC 6.02 updated to regulate SWF with Telecommunications Code not Land Use Code
- BCC 6.08 created for permitting SWF within shot clocks
- BCC 6.08 authorizes Transportation Director to set requirements for:
 - Permitting/Deployment
 - Design standards
 - Inspections
 - Modification & removal
- Covers both City owned & Utility poles
- Future code amendments may be warranted for LUC cleanup and deployments outside of right-of-way



Master License Agreement

<u>Why?</u> Establish provisions for using City property <u>What?</u> Umbrella license for SWF

Specifics:

- 10 year term plus 1 year renewals
- Rent
- Site License Agreement (SLA) for each pole
- Radio Frequency (RF) emissions compliance
- Insurance, bond, indemnification, relocation



Propose Council approve MLA form, and allow specific agreements to be executed administratively

Expectations



Visual

- Pole mounted SWF Antenna = 15 cubic feet max (3 cubic feet each times a max of 5 antennae)
- Pole mounted remaining equipment (radio) = 15 cubic feet max
- Or- 28 cubic feet max if combination of pole and ground mounted
- Applies to City or Utility owned pole

Expectations

- Visual
 - Early (4G) deployment less than max
 - 5G anticipated to be larger
 - Switch from concrete to metal poles for structure support



NW Bellevue (Archerline) (4G)



Minneapolis (4G)



Los Angeles (5G)

Expectations

- Construction
 - Immediate deployment Downtown, uncertain elsewhere
 - Removal of poles and foundations
 - Installation of new poles
 - Installation of new backhaul (fiber lines, etc.)
- Radio Frequency Emissions
 - FCC has sole authority to set standards
 - City will require providers to demonstrate compliance at installatio







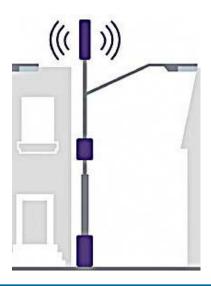
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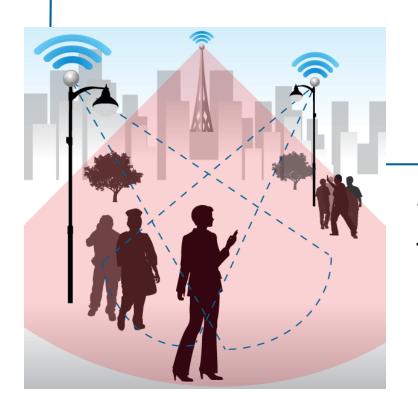
- Ability to seek balance has changed
- Response to FCC Order
- 4G and 5G deployment supported
- Advances Bellevue Smart plan
- Deployment immediately in Downtown



Recommendations

- ✓ Respond to FCC Order by amending the Telecommunications code and establishing a Master License Agreement for SWF in City ROW in response to FCC preemption order
- ✓ Return on January 22 for:
 - 1) adoption of Code amendments and
 - approval of MLA form, and authorize specific agreements to be executed administratively





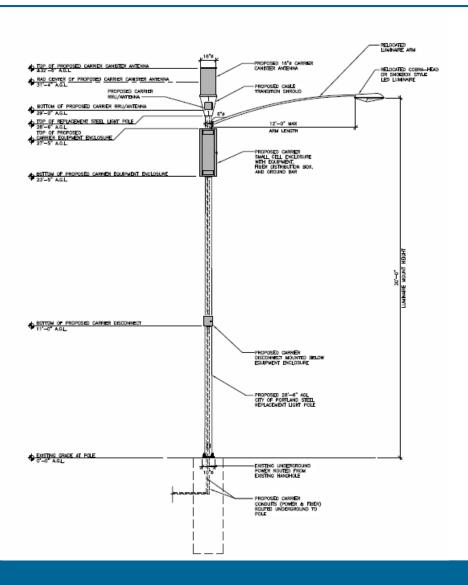
Questions & Direction

Staff is seeking direction to return

January 22nd for Code Amendments and

Master License Agreement approval

4G Pole-Mounted SWF Design



Master License Agreement Rent

- *Rent (2019): \$270 (if FCC Order) or \$1,500 (FMV, if no FCC Order)- depends on litigation
- Independent Appraisal for City (August 2018)
- Seattle Small Cell Rent (2018, before FCC Order) \$1,872/yr/pole (includes some electricity)

Radio Frequency (RF) Emissions FCC Preemption & Safety Guidelines

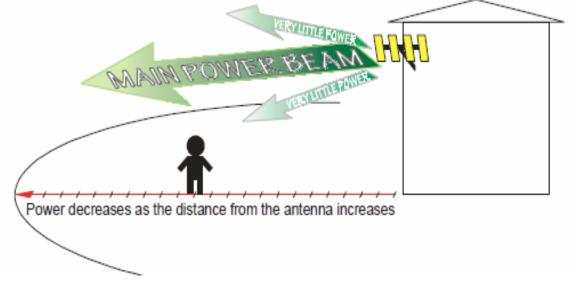


FCC Preemption: Cities may not consider RF Emissions if equipment complies with FCC safety guidelines.

FCC sets "maximum personal exposure" based on power and frequency of SWF and distance from equipment

Master License requires safety certification and may require post-installation

confirmation





15 CUBIC FEET



The new Code allows on One Pole:

≤ 15 ft³ for Pole-Mounted SWF Enclosure

PLUS

 $\leq 15 ft^3$ for Pole-Mounted SWF Antenna

Note: $28 ft^3$ includes <u>both</u> pole and ground-based SWF equipment, but excludes antennas



Extensive Provider Input

