

# Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

### **Public Hearing**

22-10

H.1.

4/19/2022

### Subject:

Public Hearing, Re: Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance (Final Reading)

## **Fiscal Impact:**

None

# **Dept/Office:**

Planning and Development

### **Requested Action:**

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners conduct a public hearing to consider code revisions to Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 7, addressing emerging wireless technology.

## **Summary Explanation and Background:**

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 6, 2021, unanimously approved legislative intent and permission to advertise revisions to Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 7, in order to address emerging wireless technology, specifically incorporating small wireless facilities. The proposed changes include defining small wireless facilities, establishing setback requirements for the placement of certain wireless telecommunication facilities, and restricting the placement of commercial small wireless facilities in residential zoning classifications.

The current definition of wireless telecommunications facilities contained in Section 62-2403 does not address certain new technologies, such as small wireless facilities. The proposed legislation amends the current definition of wireless telecommunications facilities to incorporate the definition of small wireless facilities as delineated in State law. Furthermore, the proposal amends Section 62-2422 in order to provide setback requirements for the placement of wireless telecommunications facilities as they relate to residential structures, child care facilities, and public and non-public schools. Finally, the amendment creates a new section of Code, Section 62-2425, which prohibits commercial wireless providers from installing wireless telecommunication facilities in residential zoning classifications.

On March 9, 2022, the Building Construction Advisory Committee heard the item and unanimously recommended approval.

On March 14, 2022, the Local Planning Agency heard the request and voted 7:1 to recommend denial, due to health concerns of 5G technology, as well as future technologies not limited by the ordinance.

On April 7, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners held the first public hearing and unanimously approved the code revisions to Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 7, addressing emerging wireless technology.

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# **Clerk to the Board Instructions:**

Please return a certified copy of the filed ordinance to Planning and Development.



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April 20, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Tad Calkins, Planning and Development Director

RE:

Item H.1., Public Hearing for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance (Final Reading)

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on April 19, 2022, conducted the public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 22-10, amending Chapter 62 of the Brevard County Code of Ordinances, Land Development Regulations, Article VI-Zoning Regulations, Division 7-Communications Facilities, Subdivision I-General Provisions, at Section 62-2403-Definitions, to amend the definition of wireless telecommunications facility; to further amend Subdivision II-Permit Levels and General Development Standards, at Section 62-2422-General Development Standards, in order to amend the standards as to minimum setbacks and to provide a waiver provision; creating a new Section 62-2425-Commercial Small Wireless Facility Locations, in order to address the placement of commercial small wireless facilities in residentially zoned classifications; providing for severability, conflicts, and area encompassed; and providing for an effective date and inclusion in Code. Enclosed is a fully-executed Ordinance.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

7. Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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Encl. (1)

CC:

County Manager County Attorney



RON DESANTIS
Governor

LAUREL M. LEE Secretary of State

April 21, 2022

Honorable Rachel M. Sadoff Clerk Board of County Commissioners Brevard County Post Office Box 999 Titusville, Florida 32781-0999

Attention: Deborah Thomas

Dear Honorable Rachel Sadoff:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge receipt of your electronic copy of Brevard County Ordinance No. 22-10, which was filed in this office on April 21, 2022.

Sincerely,

Anya Owens Program Administrator

ACO/mas

### ORDINANCE NO. 22- 10

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 62. OF THE BREVARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS. AT ARTICLE VI. ZONING REGULATIONS. DIVISION 7. COMMUNICATIONS **FACILITIES.**, SUBDIVISION I. GENERAL PROVISIONS. AT SECTION 62-2403 DEFINITIONS. TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY. AND TO FURTHER AMEND SUBDIVISION II. PERMIT LEVELS AND GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. AT SECTION 62-2422. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. IN ORDER TO AMEND THE STANDARDS AS TO MINIMUM SETBACKS AND TO PROVIDE A WAIVER PROVISION: AND CREATING A NEW SECTION 62-2425. COMMERCIAL SMALL WIRELESS FACILITY LOCATIONS. IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE PLACEMENT OF COMMERCIAL SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES IN RESIDENTIALLY ZONED CLASSIFICATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AREA ENCOMPASSED, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND INCLUSION IN CODE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VIII, Section (1)(g) of the Florida Constitution and Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida (hereinafter "Board"), has broad authority to enact ordinances not inconsistent with general law or with special laws approved by the vote of the electors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to clarify the definition of wireless telecommunications facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners desires to amend the residential setbacks as they pertain to wireless telecommunications facilities and limit commercial activities in residential zoning classifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that the proposed amendment serves the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Brevard County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

OFFICIALLY FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON APRIL 21, 2022.

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 62., Article VI., Division. 7., Subdivision I., at Section 62-2403., entitled, "Definitions," of the Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby amended in order to amend the definition of Wireless telecommunications facility (WTCF) to read as follows:

### Sec. 62-2403. -Definitions.

Wireless telecommunications facility (WTCF) means any staffed or unstaffed location for the transmission and/or reception of radio frequency signals, or other wireless communications, and usually consisting of an antenna or group of antennas, transmission cables fiber optic cables, DC power cables, and equipment cabinets, and may include a tower. The following shall be deemed a wireless communications facility: new, mitigated, or existing towers, public towers, replacement towers, antenna colocation on existing towers, attached wireless communications facilities, concealed wireless communication facilities, non-concealed wireless communication facilities and all small wireless facilities installed and operated by a wireless provider as defined in Chapter 337, Florida Statutes, that meet the following qualifications (1) any antenna associated with the facility that is located inside an enclosure of no more than six cubic feet in volume or, in the case of antennas that have exposed elements, any antenna and all of its exposed elements that could fit within an enclosure of no more than six cubic feet in volume; and (2) all other wireless equipment associated with the facility that is cumulatively no more than 28 cubic feet in volume. The following types of associated ancillary equipment shall not be included in the calculation of equipment volume: electric meters, concealment elements, telecommunications demarcation boxes, ground-based enclosures, grounding equipment, power transfer switches, cutoff switches, vertical cable runs for the connection of power and other services, and utility poles or other support structures.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 62, Article IV., Division. 7., Subdivision II., at Section 62-2422., entitled, "General Development Standards." of the Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 62-2422. - General development standards.

The following design standards apply generally to all WTCF antenna, antenna support structures and towers unless a different design standard is identified in the specific permit level requirements.

- (1) Minimum setbacks.
  - a. Setbacks from residential, child care facility, public and nonpublic school structures. All WTCFs shall have a minimum setback of a distance equal to twice the height of the proposed tower except if no tower is being utilized then the setback shall be a minimum of 100 feet from a residential, child care facility, public, or nonpublic school structures, as defined in Chapter 402, Florida Statutes. The requirements of this section shall not apply to the installation of small wireless facilities and support structures located within county public rights-of-way as governed by the regulations of Section 86-73 of the Brevard County Code of Ordinances. Furthermore, the requirements of this section shall apply to new WTCFs only and shall not apply to the installation or modification of antennas or equipment on existing WTCFs.
  - b. [This subsection shall remain as previously adopted.]
- (2)-(9) [These sections shall remain as previously adopted.]
- (10) These general design standards may be waived by the Board of County Commissioners upon a showing that said general design standards will result in either a significant diminution or a significant gap in a wireless provider's service. Any waiver shall be granted or denied within 45 days after the date of a hearing on the request.
- **SECTION 3.** Chapter 62, Article IV., Division. 7., Subdivision II., is hereby amended to include a new section 62-2425. entitled "Commercial small wireless facility locations." and said new section 62-2425 of the Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida shall read as follows:

## Sec. 62-2425. - Commercial small wireless facility locations.

No commercial wireless providers as defined in Chapter 337, Florida Statutes shall be allowed to install commercial small wireless facilities in residential zoning classifications.

Secs. 62-2426-62-2429. - Reserved.

**SECTION 4.** Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall be construed as not having contained said section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision and shall not be affected by such holding.

**SECTION 5.** Conflict. All resolutions, ordinances, and agreements or parts thereof that may be determined to be in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

**SECTION 6.** Area Encompassed. This ordinance shall take effect only in the unincorporated area of Brevard County, Florida.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. A certified copy of this ordinance shall be filed with the Office of the Secretary of State, State of Florida within ten (10) days of enactment. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and filing pursuant to law.

**SECTION 8.** Inclusion in Code. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida; and that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

**DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED**, in Regular Session, this <u>19th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2022.

| Rachel M. Sagoff, Clerk SEAL) | BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA  Kristine Zonka, Chair |
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|                               | As approved by the Board on $4/19/22$  |
|                               | Reviewed for legal form and content:   |
|                               | County Attorney  |

### ORDINANCE NO. 242-\_\_\_\_

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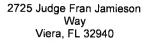
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Sec. 62-2425. - Commercial small wireless facility locations.

# **Agenda Report**





### Consent

F.42.

7/6/2021

### Subject:

Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise an Ordinance Amending the Brevard County Code of Ordinances at Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations, at Division 7 in order to amend the general development standards for setbacks for wireless telecommunications facilities.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

None

# **Dept/Office:**

District 1

### **Requested Action:**

Permission to advertise an ordinance amending the Brevard County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations, at Division 7 in order to amend the general development standards for setbacks for wireless telecommunications facilities.

# **Summary Explanation and Background:**

Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations at Division 7 of the Brevard County Code of Ordinances regulates the placement of wireless telecommunications facilities. The current definition of wireless telecommunications facilities contained in Section 62-2403 does not address new technology as that of small wireless facilities. The proposed legislation amends the current definition of wireless telecommunications facilities to incorporate the definition of small wireless facilities as defined in state law. Furthermore, the proposed legislation proposes to amend Section 62-2422 in order to provide setback requirements for the placement of wireless telecommunications facilities to residential structures, child care facilities, and public and non-public schools. Finally, the proposed amendment includes a new Section 62-2425 which prohibits commercial wireless providers from installing wireless telecommunication facilities in residential zoning classifications.

## **Clerk to the Board Instructions:**



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July 7, 2021

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Rita Pritchett, Commissioner District 1, Chair

RE: Item F.42., Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise an Ordinance Amending the Brevard County Code of Ordinances at Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations, at Division 7 in Order to Amend the General Development Standards for Setbacks for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 6, 2021, granted legislative intent and permission to advertise an ordinance amending the Brevard County Code of Ordinances at Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations, at Division 7, in order to amend the general development standards for setbacks for wireless telecommunications facilities.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RACHEL M/ SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

cc: County Manager

### PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD/LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY MINUTES

The Brevard County Planning & Zoning Board met in regular session on **Monday, March 14, 2022,** at **3:00 p.m**., in the Florida Room, Building C, Brevard County Government Center, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Board members present were: Henry Minneboo (D1); Ron Bartcher (D1); Lorraine Koss (Alt. D2) (present for and voted on H.3. - H. 14.); Ben Glover (D3) (present for and voted on H.1. - H.13.); Mark Wadsworth, Chair (D4); Liz Alward (D4); David Bassford (Alt. D5) (voted on H.1. - H.12, and H.14; abstained on H.13.); and John Hopengarten (BPS).

Staff members present were: Jeffrey Ball, Planning and Zoning Manager; Peter Martin, Planner II; George Ritchie, Planner III; Alex Esseesse, Assistant County Attorney; and Jennifer Jones, Special Projects Coordinator.

### **Excerpt from Complete Minutes**

#### Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Jeffrey Ball stated on July 6, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved legislative intent and permission to advertise revisions to Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 7, in order to address emerging wireless technology, specifically incorporating small wireless facilities. The proposed changes include defining small wireless facilities, establishing setback requirements for the placement of certain wireless telecommunication facilities and restricting the placement of commercial small wireless facilities in a residential zoning classification. On March 9, 2022, the Building Construction Advisory Committee unanimously approved the changes.

Ron Bartcher asked if the purpose is to not have small wireless facilities in a residential area.

Mr. Ball replied that is part of it. A new definition is being incorporated into the code that reflects what the State Statute defines as small wireless facilities. The residential portion of that is just one of them, and what it does is allows for these facilities to be mounted on light poles within the right of way.

Mr. Bartcher asked if it means that in a residential area that has a public road that there can be a wireless facility on a light pole. Mr. Ball replied not within a residential zoning classification.

Mark Wadsworth asked if it has to be within 100 feet. Mr. Ball replied yes, it is 100 feet from residential, child care facilities, and public or non-public school structures, as defined in the Florida Statutes.

Mr. Hopengarten asked about 6G, 7G, and 8G, and said it is left open to any future technology. He said no one has done any studies on the radiation effects on these types of communication systems. He stated he is concerned if about the health effects of 5G because it has a bad reputation and he's worried about the way the ordinance is worded in that is it not limited to 5G. There could be 6G, 7G, where the strength of the signal could be increased without anybody studying the effects.

Liz Alward asked if it is correct that this is the result of the State requiring the County to do it. Mr. Ball replied that is correct.

Mr. Hopengarten stated he doesn't care what the State says. He said sometimes the State does things that are not in the best interest of the citizens. He said he does not agree with the ordinance and more investigation should be done so the board can make an intelligent decision. Ms. Alward

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pointed out that as a local government, they have to comply with the State. Mr. Hopengarten stated as an advisory board they are giving their sign of approval if they agree to this, and he does not agree.

Mr. Ball stated he understand the concerns. He said if it is the board's recommendation that as studies come out it can be re-addressed, that is for the board to decide what it wants to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners.

Ms. Alward stated from a public safety perspective, beachside has a lot of condos, and it can be difficult to get signals to contact 911 in an emergency, and this is a way to reach out so that phone calls don't get dropped. She added that people need to be able to rely on technology in cases of emergency.

Mr. Wadsworth stated there is language in the ordinance that says design standards can be waived by the Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. Ball stated the draft ordinance allows for a cell company to ask the Board to waive the standards, which would be done in a public forum. If that is the case, there would be competent substantial evidence to support such a request.

Mr. Bartcher stated he would assume that small wireless facilities are actually less powerful than the cell towers, and would have less of an impact on brain and other health.

Mr. Hopengarten stated he can't speak specifically to 5G, but he has heard that they put the units closer together than they do the current cell towers, so the intensity of the radiation is much more concentrated, and it's worrisome.

Mr. Bartcher asked if it is the same level. Mr. Hopengarten stated there hasn't been any studies so it is difficult to answer. He said his concern is giving blanket approval and harming themselves. He said his recommendation would be to limit it to 5G rather than make it for all future technologies, and that the technology be monitored, that over a period of time if it is determined that it is causing harm, the ordinance can be rescinded and another technology be used entirely.

Mr. Wadsworth state he agrees and he would not want to limit it to 5G without some proper studies to go along with it to see the effects, if any.

No public comment

Mr. Ball stated the board can craft the motion to state that under 62-2422, it be limited to 5G wireless technology only.

Mr. Hopengarten stated 5G is everywhere, and they have been putting it in without any approvals from anyone. He said he would rather limit it to 5G with the condition that it be studied to make sure it is not causing any public safety issues or harm.

Mr. Ball suggested recommending approval or denial with the caveat that the board would like staff to look at any other study that would support or not support limiting the technology.

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David Bassford stated he likes staff's suggestion, and if there are studies that say one way or another, then those can be into account, but if there aren't any, and it has been limited to 5G, then there is no way to progress.

Mr. Ball recommended the board come up with language that addresses the concerns but allows staff to move forward and address the concerns in a timely manner.

Mr. Hopengarten asked if the item can be tabled.

Alex Esseesse stated the item still has to go before the County Commission, but Mr. Hopengarten can coordinate with staff or the County Attorney's Office.

Henry Minneboo asked if the issue has been through several committees.

Mr. Ball stated the County Attorney's Office and Planning and Development staff has vetted the change. This was directed by the Florida Legislature to comply with new and emerging technologies. Staff can let the Commission know that the LPA was concerned about 5G and the monitoring of studies, and that language can be added to the agenda report.

Mr. Bartcher pointed out that the board can recommend denial for the reason of health concerns and because it is not limited to 5G, and no one knows what future technologies are going to be, so the board would like to see the ordinance changed to reflect those concerns. If the board denies it, it will get attention more than if it approves it with recommendations. He clarified that the reasons for denial is that it is too general, it should only address 5G, and there is no mention of health concerns, and the board would like staff to be able to look at the health concerns for 5G technology itself.

Motion by Ron Bartcher, seconded by John Hopengarten, to recommend denial of the Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance. The motion passed 6:1 with Lorraine Koss voting nay.

Upon consensus, the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.