



Legislation Text

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Committee Report: Rules & Ordinance Paper # 67-21 Order: Be it hereby ordained that the City of Malden Revised Ordinances of 2020 Section 11.24.020 SITING AND INSTALLATION OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT <<https://malden.municipalcodeonline.com/book?type=ordinances>> be amended by adding the following additional language:

1. F. Dimensions and appearance by adding "Small Cell antennas cannot be mounted no closer than 12 feet from the nearest window, deck, or other publicly-accessible area. In addition, while the antenna shape is akin to a rounded cone, these antennas are directional in nature with the signal primarily focused up and down streets, and not directly into the residence behind the pole."
2. L. Contents of Written Petition by adding. The carrier would then be required to attach a notice of public meeting to the pole.
3. Adding WARNING STICKER AND NODE ID Utilize the smallest and lowest visibility (e.g. yellow instead of blue) radio-frequency (RF) warning sticker required by government or electric utility regulations. Place the RF sticker as close to the antenna as possible, facing directly out toward the street, or directly away from street if there is no window within 25 feet of the pole (preferred). For the Node ID sticker; avoid the use of large and highly visible site (node) identification tags (with carrier's phone number). Consider combining with disconnect information. Use sticker colors that are more muted (e.g. tan), such as the same color as the equipment but with white color lettering. Consider placing the Node ID sticker on the underside of the equipment enclosure so it is only visible underneath.
4. Request a street tree to be provided by the wireless carrier for each facility mounted on a pole within the public right-of-way; in order to screen the equipment. In the event a tree cannot be planted due to conflicts such as existing trees, driveways or utility infrastructure (link to location requirements), the wireless carrier would be required to pay an "in-lieu fee" (No less than \$75) to be used by the Malden DPW/Urban Forestry Project and shall be payable prior to the city's issuance of the small cell Permit.
5. All Small Cells will be posted on cities GIS system and accessible to the public.

The standing committee on Rules & Ordinance after having considered Paper # 67-21; recommend favorably as amended (Deleting # 4 above) to the full council.