

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: January 9, 2018
To: The City Manager
From: Gregory M. Turner, Assistant City Manager

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of a resolution granting encroachment agreements to MOBILITIE, LLC, for two Small Cell Wireless Facilities (Northwest and Northeast Wards) – Petition of MOBILITIE, LLC

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: No

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The City of Winston-Salem has received a request from MOBILITIE, LLC, for encroachment agreements. These agreements would allow them to encroach upon the public right-of-way with two small cell wireless facilities. These facilities consist of a 41’ steel pole with a utility meter, switching gear, remote radio, cabling, and an antenna. The purpose of this infrastructure is to provide a wireless high-speed fiber optic network for users near the facility. There are two locations being requested at this time and both facilities would be located on new poles.

The proposed facilities are located in the 300 block of E. Hanes Mill Road (Site A), located between Hanes Mill Court and Summit Square Boulevard; and the 200 block of W Second Street (Site B), located between Liberty Street and Cherry Street.

Winston-Salem Department of Transportation is in agreement with the use of metal poles, which are consistent with the existing poles along these streets. No other aesthetic recommendations are being required.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>Public Works 1/9/2018</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>

Remarks:

NCGS 160A-400.50-56, newly enacted legislation, regulates “Wireless Telecommunications Facilities” within the public right-of-way or on private property. Once a permit application has been submitted, the City has 30 days to notify the applicant of any deficiencies in the application which, if cured, would make the application complete. The City has 45 days to approve or deny a complete application, unless a longer time frame has been mutually agreed upon between the applicant and the City. If the City fails to act within 45 days or the mutually agreed upon time frame, the application shall be deemed approved.

Staff has not identified a basis for denial, therefore recommends approval of this request.