



# “SMALL CELL” WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

In response to recent changes in the wireless communication industry, the City of Escondido is in the process of updating its codes and policies in order to adequately address and regulate the deployment of small personal wireless service facilities (“small cells”). Small cells are wireless service facilities that are typically placed on existing structures in the public right-of-way (light poles, utility poles, traffic signals, etc.), are limited in size, and are intended to provide additional wireless capacity at congested locations.

### ***Proposed Zoning Code Amendment and Small Cell Guidelines***

The City has prepared draft revisions to Article 34 (Communication Antennas) of the Escondido Zoning Code to ensure compliance with current Federal Communication Commission (FCC) regulations, while at the same time exercising discretion in the best interests of the City. Additionally, the City is creating guidelines for proposed small cells that will address various aspects of their deployment including, but not limited to, locational criteria, size, height, screening, and other aesthetic and technical considerations.

The Guidelines provide comprehensive information to all parties involved in the processing of applications for small wireless facilities proposed in the City of Escondido’s public right-of-way. Specifically, they are intended to help achieve the following goals:

- Protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- Accommodate and support deployment of personal wireless service facilities to provide robust coverage and capacity throughout the city.
- Protect the City’s visual environment from potential adverse impacts or visual blight created or exacerbated by small cells and related communications infrastructure.

### ***Public Information Session***

The City welcomes and encourages your comments and input. The City will be holding a public meeting to discuss the Zoning Code Amendment and guidelines. Please join us!

DATE: November 25, 2019  
TIME: 6:00 p.m.  
LOCATION: Escondido City Hall – Mitchell Room  
201 N. Broadway, Escondido

You can direct questions or send your input or comments, at any point, to **Adam Finestone, Principal Planner**, at [afinestone@escondido.org](mailto:afinestone@escondido.org), or by phone at **760-839-6203**.

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