## ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION 10-3-195 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

## Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia:

Section 10-3-195. Purpose. (Add as shown:)

The regulations set forth in this article are to regulate wireless telecommunications facilities as defined in Section 10-3-24, Definitions. They are to provide opportunities to supply wireless telecommunications services in the city with minimal negative impact to the community while respecting both residential and commercial neighborhoods.

With the exception of telecommunications towers primarily erected for the use of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Emergency Communications Center as regulated by this article, wireless telecommunications facilities considered public uses and temporary facilities needed for government-declared emergencies and disasters shall be permitted in all zoning districts at appropriate locations and heights necessary to adequately provide the service. No minimum setback requirements or maximum height regulations shall apply to such facilities, but reasonable efforts shall be made to be sensitive to the surrounding neighborhood and environment in which they are located.

Furthermore, the installation, placement, maintenance or replacement of equipment meeting the specifications to be considered micro-wireless facilities that are suspended on cables or lines that are strung between existing utility poles in compliance with national safety codes, and so long as permission is granted by the owners of the cables or lines on which the facilities are located, shall be exempt from the City's permitting requirements and fees.

The remainder of Section 10-3-195 is reaffirmed and reenacted in its entirety, except as hereby modified.

This ordinance shall be effective from the 22 day of May, 2018. Adopted and approved this 22 day of May, 2018.

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK