

CITY OF DORAL COUNCIL MEETING MEMORANDUM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

ITEM TITLE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO CONDUCT RESEARCH OF THE CITY'S CODE AND STATE STATUTES TO DETERMINE THE VIABILITY OF MODIFYING AND ENFORCING MONETARY BONDS OR SIMILAR MECHANISMS ON TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CITY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO HOSTING COMMUNITY TOWN HALL MEETINGS PRIOR TO INITIATING NEW WORK, AND PROVIDING ADVANCE NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 1,000 TO 2,000 FEET OF PROPOSED CELL TOWER PROJECTS OR RELATED INSTALLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BRIEF HISTORY:

Telecommunications infrastructure projects, such as the installation of new cell towers, are increasingly being initiated within the City of Doral. While these projects serve technological and economic purposes, they often proceed with minimal resident notification and limited community input. Concerns have been raised by residents and Councilmembers about the lack of transparency and the insufficient outreach by telecommunications providers.

This recommendation seeks to enhance public engagement and accountability by exploring mechanisms that would require telecommunications companies to comply with community engagement expectations, including mandatory town hall meetings and direct notices to residents within a 1,000- to 2,000-foot radius of proposed projects.

To ensure these expectations are enforceable, the proposed resolution tasks the City Attorney with evaluating whether the City has the legal authority under the Doral Code and Florida statutes to impose and enforce monetary bonds or penalties for non-compliance.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION: (IF APPLICABLE)

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The proposed item has a fiscal impact on revenues and/or expenditures in the amount of:

⊠ \$50,000.00 or less

□ \$50,000.00 or more

RECOMMENDATION:

I respectfully request the approval of the proposed resolution directing the City Attorney to conduct legal research and analysis regarding the feasibility of requiring telecommunications companies to post monetary bonds—or similar financial assurances—in the event of non-compliance with the City's public engagement and notification requirements.

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. Draft Resolution