

**TOWN OF DRYDEN
POLICY STATEMENT
REGARDING FUTURE TELECOMMUNICATION
TECHNOLOGY REGULATION AND PERMITTING**

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WHEREAS, the Town of Dryden has established a permitting process for telecommunication installations, and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes that wireless telecommunication technologies are important to the community, but the technology changes rapidly, and

WHEREAS, the Town is committed to the preservation of health and safety of its residents, business and visitors, and to protection of public safety by minimizing the adverse effects of wireless telecommunication facilities through the established permitting process, and

WHEREAS, the Town is committed to the protection, to the maximum extent possible, of aesthetic quality, property values, and visual character of the city, while not unreasonably limiting competition among communication providers, and

WHEREAS, the Town does not intend to limit the use of in house wireless communication devices installed solely for the use of the property owner or business, and

WHEREAS, the Town is committed to minimizing the visual and aesthetic impact of telecommunication facilities to the maximum extent practicable through a permitting process outlined in our Telecommunications Law emphasizing careful design, siting, screening and innovative camouflaging techniques, and with the understanding that modification or revision or even replacement of that statute may be necessary to continue to pursue the intentions of that statute as new technology is proposed to be installed within the Town, and,

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to preserve and maintain all of its legal rights and options to address and reasonably regulate additional telecommunication technologies, including, but not limited to so called “4G” and “5G” technology, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Town shall reserve the right to define small commercial wireless facilities as accessory facilities owned and maintained by a wireless telecommunication infrastructure provider requiring site plan review under our Telecommunications Law, as it now exists, or as may be modified by local law in the future, and be it further

RESOLVED that requirements for the siting, construction operation and maintenance of such small commercial wireless facilities shall at all times meet or exceed the most recent American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Code, National Electrical Safety Code and the National Electric Code and shall be at all times kept and maintained in good condition, order and repair by qualified maintenance and construction personnel so to protect persons and property within the Town, and be it further

RESOLVED that siting of all telecommunication facilities shall, as a matter of policy, have the least adverse effect on the environment and character of all zoning districts within the Town, including visual impacts, existing vegetation, residential character and lighting, and be it further

RESOLVED that as soon as practicable, and upon due deliberation, the Town shall enact such additional modified standards for such small telecommunication facilities as may be necessary to assist the Town in the review of such permits, or as may be necessary upon the amendment of Town policy or Local Law.