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City Council to Hold Study Session on Wireless Communication Facilities

The City Council will hold a study session on the legal constraints and best practices for wireless communication facilities in the public right-of-way. The study session will be held on April 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 120 Vista Avenue. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Presentations will include a detailed description of federal and state restrictions on the City's authority to regulate wireless facilities, particularly those located in the public rights-of-way. The study session will include information on the types of technology and services expected in the near future. There will be discussion on the range of possible designs and locations of antennas, radios, and other types of communications equipment for distributed antenna system (DAS) installations in the public right-of-way. Currently, there are no pending permit applications for wireless facilities within the City's boundaries.

This information is intended to provide the City with a foundation on which to consider development standards and regulations for future wireless communication facilities in the public right-of-way.

Residents are encouraged to submit questions related to the legal restrictions and the technology for wireless communication facilities in advance of the study session. **Due to the large amount of community interest in this topic, and the desire to provide the most complete and accurate information as possible, comments and questions are requested by April 9, 2018.** Residents can submit questions to <u>cityclerk@piedmont.ca.gov</u>. Written comments and questions will be accepted after this date, but staff may not be able to research and provide an answer by the time of the meeting. Residents are also encouraged to share their comments at the meeting.

The April 17, 2018 study session will be televised live on KCOM-TV, the City's government TV station, and will be available through streaming video on the City's web site www.ci.piedmont.ca.us/video.

For more information, please visit the Wireless Communication Facilities page on the City of Piedmont's web site at <u>http://www.ci.piedmont.ca.us/publicworks/wireless.shtml</u>

Residents with questions for staff are encouraged to contact Senior Planner Pierce Macdonald-Powell at (510) 420-3050 or via email at <u>pmacdonald@piedmont.ca.gov</u>.