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ROBERT R. BERSANI
Commissioner

September 26, 2001

To: Robert W. Healy, City Manager

From: Bob Bersani, Inspectional Services

RE: Input to City Council Order #0-20 of 9/10/01 concerning Procedures for Permitting Wireless Transmitters /Antennas

This Council Order requests information on hearing notice procedures associated with wireless transmitters/antennas and information on the effect on nonprofit status when transmitters are rented to another party.

The Zoning Ordinance requires that a special permit be obtained from the BZA for installation of this equipment. The notice procedures that must be followed concerning the special permit public hearing are outlined in Art. 10.33 of the Zoning Ordinance which requires publication and posting as provided for under Sec. 11, Ch. 40A of the MGL (The Zoning Act) and by the installation of on-site notification panels as required by Sec. 10.42.1 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Sec. 11, Ch 40A provides for notice in the newspaper(generally the TAB) for two successive weeks with the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of the hearing and by posting in the City Hall Clerk's Office for a period of 14 days before the day of the hearing. Notice is also required to be sent by mail to the petitioner, abutters, owners of land directly opposite on any public or private street, and abutters to abutters within 300 ft. of the property line of the petitioner. Notices are not mailed to tenants at these locations. Sec. 10.42.1 of the Zoning Ordinance provides for notice boards providing information concerning the application to be displayed beginning 14 days prior to the hearing at the applicant's property line such that they are visible to the general public.

In addition to these requirements, information concerning the BZA hearings is displayed on the City's web site in advance of the hearings. Also, if a specific request is made of the BZA Secretary for information concerning a specific hearing, then a copy of the notice would be mailed to that party.

I have no comments concerning the effect on nonprofit status when the antenna is rented.

Very truly yours,

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R. R. Bersani



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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE • EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Robert W. Healy, City Manager Richard C. Rossi, Deputy City Manager

October 1, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 01-233, regarding a report on procedures for permitting wireless transmitters/antennas, received from Inspectional Services Commissioner Robert Bersani.

Very truly yours,

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Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Attachment



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Consent Agenda #12

Awaiting Report Item
Number 01-233, regarding a
report on procedures for
permitting wireless
transmitters/antennas.

In City Council October 1, 2001

ORDER ADOPTED