



HILLSBOROUGH
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

JANUARY 2020

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WIRELESS DESIGN STANDARDS

Town staff provided an update to the City Council on the Wireless Communications Advisory Committee's (WCAC) ongoing review of the proposed revisions to the Wireless Communication Facility (WCF) Design Standards. Between November 2019 and January 2020, the WCAC, an ad hoc committee of Hillsborough residents whom report to the City Manager, held a series of meetings to conduct an in depth review of the Town's existing Design Standards and proposed amendments to those standards.

The WCAC's initial review focused on 11 key topics:

- New Integrated Poles and Base Designs
- Undergrounding and Vaults
- Tree Replacement
- Shrouds
- Equipment Volume
- Pole Heights
- Setbacks from Intersections and Other Pathways
- Setbacks from Residential Dwellings
- Power and Metering
- Concept Designs
- Exceptions

During the meeting, the City Council asked questions of staff and the Town's legal counsel and heard numerous comments from the public and WCAC members. The Council also thanked the WCAC members for their participation and thoughtful comments and discussion during the review process. The WCAC will continue to discuss the proposed revisions with Town staff and return to the City Council at a later date. At this time, no changes have been made to the Design Standards and no applications have been received for any new WCFs. The presentation to the City Council and the City Manager's Executive Summary of the WCAC's review of the proposed revisions are available to view on the Town's [wireless homepage](#).

Background

The current Wireless Design Standards were developed and approved in January 2019 and revisions are now being considered for various reasons including legal considerations and technical feasibility, The proposed changes to the Design Standards do not make any changes to the Town's WCF ordinance or the review process for an application.

The Design Standards and WCF ordinance are separate documents that provide Hillsborough with WCF procedures. The discussions held during the community meetings with the public on November 28, 2018, and December 13, 2018, and City Council study session on January 7, 2019, resulted in the two documents. The Design Standards were adopted by resolution to provide the Town with a format that can respond rapidly and efficiently to any potential WCF

changes and the very short timelines established by the Federal Communications Commission shot clock review. The Design Standards were meant to allow the Town to be responsive to changes in technology and law and revised by resolution that could become effective immediately upon adoption. The WCF ordinance, which is located in the Hillsborough Municipal Code, can only be revised after a first reading and second reading/adoption which would occur over the course of two public meetings along with a 30 day delay in enactment.

WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE ORDINANCE REVISION



The City Council amended the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) ordinance to be consistent with the Town's process to establish areas as defined in the WUI fire risk assessment map. The WUI assessment map was updated and adopted at the December 2019 City Council meeting. [Click here](#) to view the updated assessment map.

Later this month, the Central County Fire Department (CCFD) will be mailing WUI Program information and a 25 page WUI booklet to all residence within the affected WUI fire zones. Trainings, informational meetings, and vegetation consultations will be announced shortly. Extra booklets are also available at Town Hall - 1600 Floribunda Avenue.

For more information on the WUI Program, go to CCFD's official WUI page at www.ccfid.org/wui.

HNN Q1 INFO SESSION



Tuesday, February 25th - 6:30 - 8:00pm
Town Hall Council Chambers (1600 Floribunda Avenue)
[Register via Eventbrite](#)

Learn what to do in case of an emergency related to PG&E utilities
Frank Fraone | Senior Public Safety Specialist for PG&E

The presentation will include:

- What to look for during emergencies
- Gas leak safety tips
- Downed power line safety tips and how to report PG&E related incidents.

If you smell natural gas, see downed power lines, or suspect another emergency situation, leave the area immediately and call 9-1-1. Then, call PG&E at 1-800-743-5000. For additional safety tips and information please [click here](#) to visit PG&E's website.

Refreshments will be served. Please join us and be sure to **BRING A NEIGHBOR!**

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RETHINKWASTE BATTERY SURVEY

RethinkWaste is launching a comprehensive battery outreach and education campaign in the spring. In preparation of this outreach, an online survey has been created to learn more

about the motivators, barriers, and baseline knowledge that residents have when it comes to responsible disposal of their batteries. Survey Responses will be collected until **January 31st**.

[Click here](#) to access the survey. At the end of the survey, respondents will have the opportunity enter for a chance to win a \$50 Visa gift card. Five winners will be randomly selected by **February 15th**. For more information on battery recycling, please visit RethinkWaste's [batteries website](#).

