

Ordinance No. 326-2019

Council Members: Johnson and Brancatelli (by departmental request)

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to issue one or more permits to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless to encroach into the public right-of-way at various locations in the City of Cleveland by installing, using and maintaining fiber optic cable and other equipment related to wireline backhaul facilities pursuant to R. C. Section 4939.03.

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Capital Projects is authorized to issue one or more permits, revocable at the will of Council, to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, 7575 Commerce Ct., Lewis Center, Ohio, 43035 (“Permittee”) to encroach into the public right-of-way at various locations in the City of Cleveland by installing, using, and maintaining fiber optic cable and other equipment related to wireline backhaul facilities pursuant to Section 4939.03 of the Revised Code. The permit(s) authorized shall not be issued until the Manager of the Division of Engineering and Construction and the Director of Capital Projects have first reviewed and approved each specific encroachment location that the Permittee requests.

Section 2. That Permittee may assign a permit only with the prior written consent of the Director of Capital Projects. That nothing in this ordinance grants or shall be considered to grant to Permittee any right, privilege, or permission to use, or to attach or affix any object to poles, duct banks, or vaults owned by another; Permittee shall obtain such permission from the respective owner.

Section 3. That the encroaching objects permitted by this ordinance shall conform to plans and specifications first approved by the Manager of Engineering and Construction. That Permittee shall obtain all other required permits, including but not limited to Building Permits, before installing the encroachments.

Section 4. That the Director of Law shall prepare the permit(s) authorized by this ordinance and shall incorporate such additional provisions as the director determines necessary to protect and benefit the public interest. The permit shall be issued only when, in the opinion of the Director of Law, a prospective Permittee has properly indemnified the City against any loss that may result from the encroachment(s) permitted.

Section 5. That the permit shall reserve reasonable right of entry to the encroachment location to the City.

Section 6. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed April 29, 2019.

Effective May 1, 2019.