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**SAFETY, UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 22, 2022**

Present: Committee members Nick Nunnari, chair; Dennis Sullivan and Amy Havelka.

Also present: Council President Dave Greenspan; Councilmembers Duane Van Dyke (via telephone), Mike O'Donnell and Mark Getsay; Mayor Dennis Clough; Law Director Mike Maloney, Engineering Director Bob Kelly; Finance Director Prashant Shah; Planning Director Jim Bedell; Economic Development Manager Michelle Boczek.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

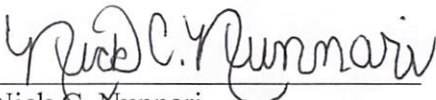
I. Discuss Ordinance No. 2022-67, a traffic signal attachment extension agreement between the city of Westlake and Crown Castle Fiber, LLC.


A representative from Crown Castle Fiber was not present. General discussion followed. Engineering Director Kelly gave an overview of cell tower issues, types of towers and locations in the city. He explained that the new small cell equipment can be located on poles in the city's rights-of-way as well as on city-owned mast-arm poles for traffic signals, signs and banners. However, it is the cell service company that determines where the equipment will be located. The city has limited control over location, contract terms negotiations and cannot interfere with their signal. Mr. Kelly further explained the current installation permit and deposit process.

There were concerns about long-time dead zones in the city and resolving the coverage issues. Possible contract terms and fees and/or incentives to locate equipment on existing city assets were discussed. There were questions about what other cities are doing, how their performance is and what are competitive rates. Committee members concurred that more information is needed, so no action was taken at this time. A future meeting will be scheduled.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Nick C. Nunnari
Chair


Denise L. Rosenbaum, MMC
Clerk of Council