

Planning & Development Division

Planning & Economic Development Department



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File Number	PL 23-212		Contact	Chris Lee, clee@duluthmn.gov		clee@duluthmn.gov	
Туре	Concurrent Use Permit, Wireless Utility on Light Pole		Planning Commission Date		on Date	March 12, 2024	
Deadline for Action	Application Date		January 18, 2	2024	60 Days	March 18, 2024	
	Date Extension Letter Mailed		January 18, 2	2024	120 Days	May 17, 2024	
Location of Subject		Near Point of Rocks, 010-1913-00090					
Applicant	MasTec		Contact				
Agent	ent		Contact				
Legal Description		N/A					
Site Visit Date		February 1, 2024	Sign Notice Date			February 27, 2024	
Neighbor Letter Date		N/A	Number of Letters Sent		Sent	N/A	

Proposal: The applicant is seeking a concurrent use permit to allow an antenna and equipment on an existing pole, as well as a handhole for power and a handhole for fiber placed in the ground, within the public right of way.

Recommended Action: Recommend to the city council to approve with conditions (Ordinance).

	Current Zoning	Existing Land Use	Future Land Use Map Designation
Subject	R-2	Right of Way	Open Space
North	R-2	Vacant	Open Space
South	R-2	Interstate	Open Space
East	R-2	Vacant	Open Space
West	R-2	Vacant	Open Space

Summary of Code Requirements

UDC Section 50-37.7.C. The planning commission shall review the application, and council shall approve the application or approve it with modifications, if it determines that the proposed concurrent use will not harm or inconvenience the health, safety and general welfare of the city, and no portion of a public easement proposed of use is being physically occupied by the public.

Comprehensive Plan Governing Principle and/or Policies and Current History (if applicable):

Principle #4 - Support emerging economic growth sectors. Emerging economic sectors add economic, cultural and social diversity. These include higher education, medical, value-added manufacturing, commercial outdoor recreation, historic resources interpretation, arts and music, information technology and visitor services.

The installation falls with the provisions of Minnesota Statute 237.162 and 247.1643, as amended in 2017.

Future Land Use: Open Space: High natural resource or scenic value, with substantial restrictions and development limitations. Primarily public lands but limited private use is anticipated subject to use and design controls. Examples include: city parks and recreation areas, primary viewsheds, shorelands of the lake and streams, wetlands and floodplains, and high-value habitat.

This is a companion zoning application to PL 23-203, -204, -205, -206, -207, -208, -210, -213, also concurrent use permits for wireless equipment on existing utility poles.

The concurrent use permit application also included a structural analysis, radio frequency interference analysis report, and RF emissions analysis.

Discussion

Staff finds that:

- 1) The small cell facility will be installed on a replacement street light pole. The new light will be installed at 26 feet and wireless equipment will be placed at 27 to 31 feet, with a radio at 15 feet. Wireless attachments will include 1 exterior mounted panel antenna and 1 radio unit. There will be no ground mounted equipment. The new pole will have a structural analysis by the manufacturer to ensure that they can support the weight of the private small cell facilities..
- 2) Granting a concurrent use permit would give the applicant the ability to use a portion of the right of way, with conditions, while preserving other existing public uses. Unlike street vacations, concurrent use permits are not recorded at the County as they are voidable permits issued by the City to applicants who are private users of public rights of way.
- 3) Ownership of the pole will remain with the City of Duluth. Liability, maintenance, and operation of the small wireless facilities will remain the responsibility of the applicant. In the event of an accident, such as a vehicle hitting the utility pole, the city is not responsible for restoring or replacing any of the applicant's equipment.
- 4) Granting the proposed concurrent use permits will not harm or inconvenience the health, safety and general welfare of the city. It will not cause any additional obstructions within the right of way, and the applicant will be required to maintain liability insurance over their facilities, with the City of Duluth named an additional insured on the policy.
- 5) The UDC generally requires that new wireless facilities follow a location standard: they should be collocated on existing towers or other structures on city owned properties first, and then existing towers or other structures on other (private) property, and so forth down the location standard list. As these small cell facilities would be located on existing infrastructure in public right of way, and as per the recent change in state statute, the city is processing these applications as concurrent use permits and not special use permits, and the UDC's use-specific standards do not apply in this specific situation.
- 6) The city has the ability to regulate land use; however, the Federal Communications Commission preempts local review on the potential environmental effects of radio frequency (RF) emissions, with the presumption that the applicant and service provider is in compliance with the Commission's RF rules. The applicant included an FCC checklist used to determine exemption from RF regulations (unlikely to cause exposure in excess of the FCC's guidelines). The installation falls with the provisions of Minnesota Statute 237.162 and 247.1643, as amended in 2017.
- 7) The ordinance will require that the project proposer will locate any underground items in accordance with Gopher State One Call rules, and that the city will bear no responsibility for locating any facility related to the concurrent use permit except as it is legally responsible under the Gopher State One Call rules.
- 8) No public, agency, or Citizen comments have been received.

Staff Recommendation:

Based on the above findings, Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval of the concurrent use permit subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The project be limited to, constructed, and maintained according to construction drawings submitted and included with this staff report along with any revisions as requested by City Engineering.
- 2) Applicant, and/or successors, shall remove the proposed obstructions at applicant's expense if directed to do so by the City with appropriate notice, and shall adhere to other standards and obligations established in the approving document (ordinance).
- 3) Any alterations to the approved plans that do not alter major elements of the plan may be approved by the Land Use Supervisor without further Planning Commission approval; however, all other changes must be approved by amending the City Council's approved ordinance.



PL23-212 Small Cell CUP 010-1913-00090



1020 GLEN PL CITY OF DULUTH PLB GLEN PLACE LLC **Subject Location** STATE OF MINNE Prepared by: City of Duluth Planning & Economic Development, January 18, 2024 Source: City of Dulut Aerial photography flown 2019

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GENERAL NOTES

PROPOSED POLE ELEVATIONS
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USID: 189876

SKIP ID / NODE#: MNL07001F_R02
PACE NUMBER: MRUMW022247
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PTN NUMBER: 3514A0DKP3

FA NUMBER: 14812221

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CITY, STATE ZIP:	DULUTH, MN 55806				
COUNTY:	ST. LOUIS				
JURISDICTION:	CITY OF DULUTH				
STRUCTURE TYPE:	ALUMINUM LIGHT POLE				
STRUCTURE OWNER:	CITY OF DULUTH				
POLE PART NUMBER:	VALMONT DS30				
GROUND ELEVATION:	2147'± A.M.S.L.				
APPLICANT:	AT&T WIRELESS 7900 XERXES AVENUE S. BLOOMINGTON, MN 55431				
SITE ACQUISITION:	HAZEL MAURO - SITE ACQUISITION PROJECT MANAGER hazel.mauro@mastec.com (913) 710-3999				
ENGINEERING SERVICES:	MASTEC NETWORK SOLUTIONS 1151 SE CARY PARKWAY, SUITE 101 CARY, NC 27518 - (972) 581-9888				

SCOPE OF WORK

- REPLACE EXISTING 28'-6" A.G.L. ALUMINUM LIGHT POLE WITH NEW 31'-0" A.G.L. ALUMINUM LIGHT POLE PAINTED GREY INCLUDING 2' OMNI ANTENNA ON SIDE MOUNT BRACKET
- INSTALL NEW EQUIPMENT BRACKET ON POLE INCLUDING (1) DUAL BAND B25/B66 RRH AND (1) AZRA B46 RADIO WITH (2) PSU PER MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS.
- INSTALL METER ON POLE PER MANUFACTURERS SPECIFICATIONS AND PER UTILITY AND NEC REQUIREMENTS.

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- 2018 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE
- 2020 NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE

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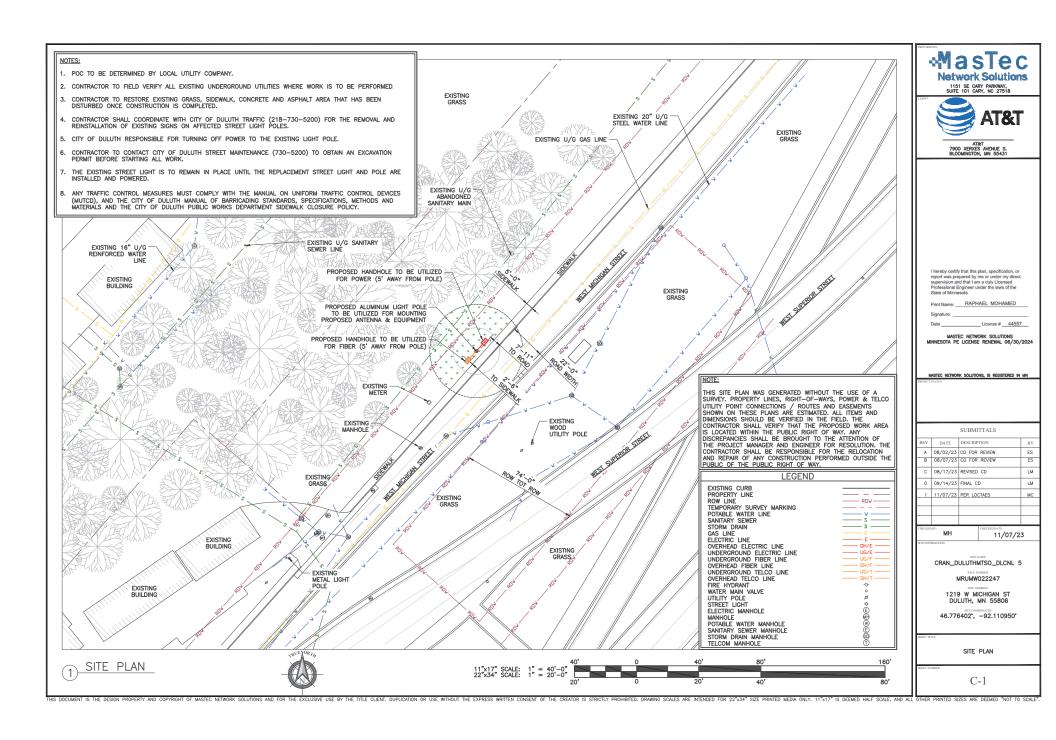
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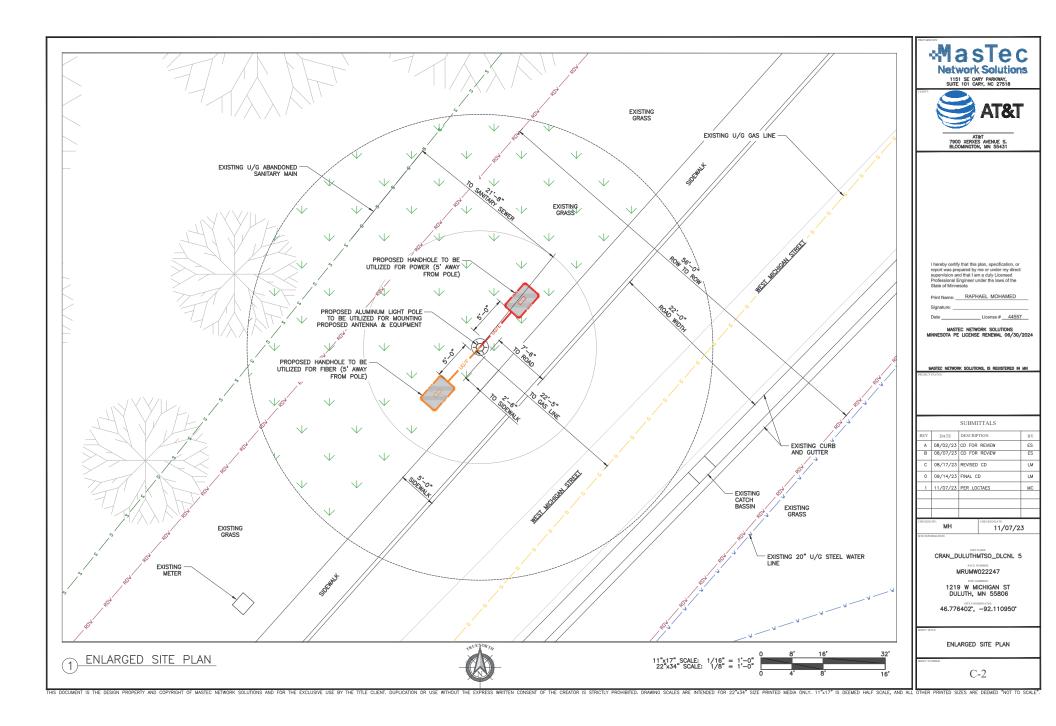
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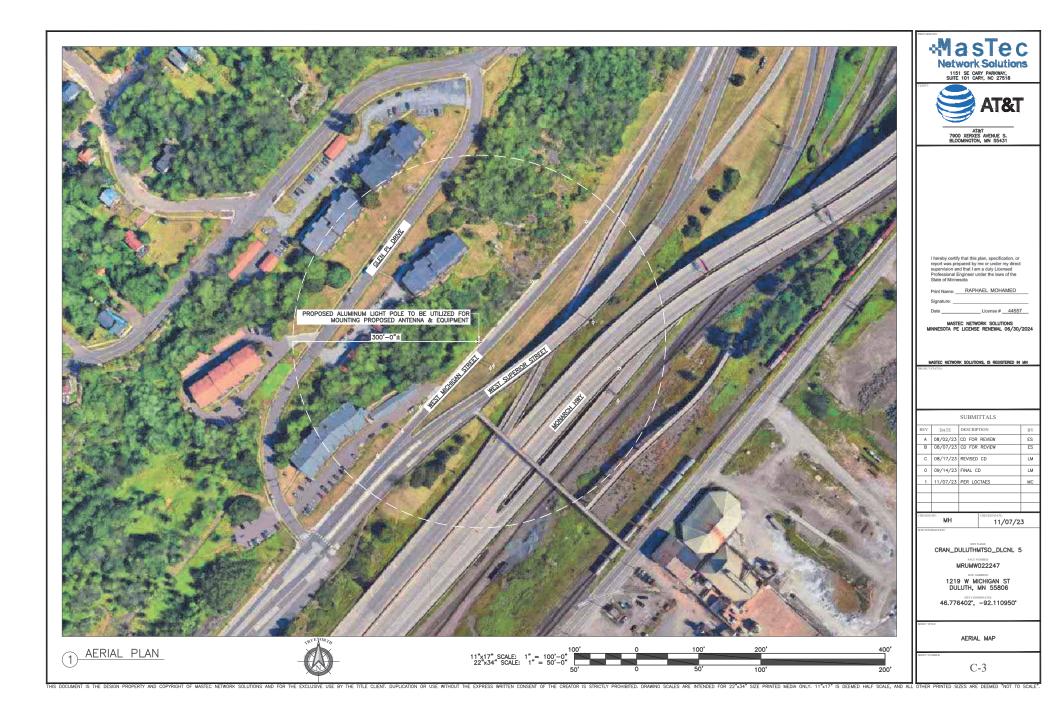
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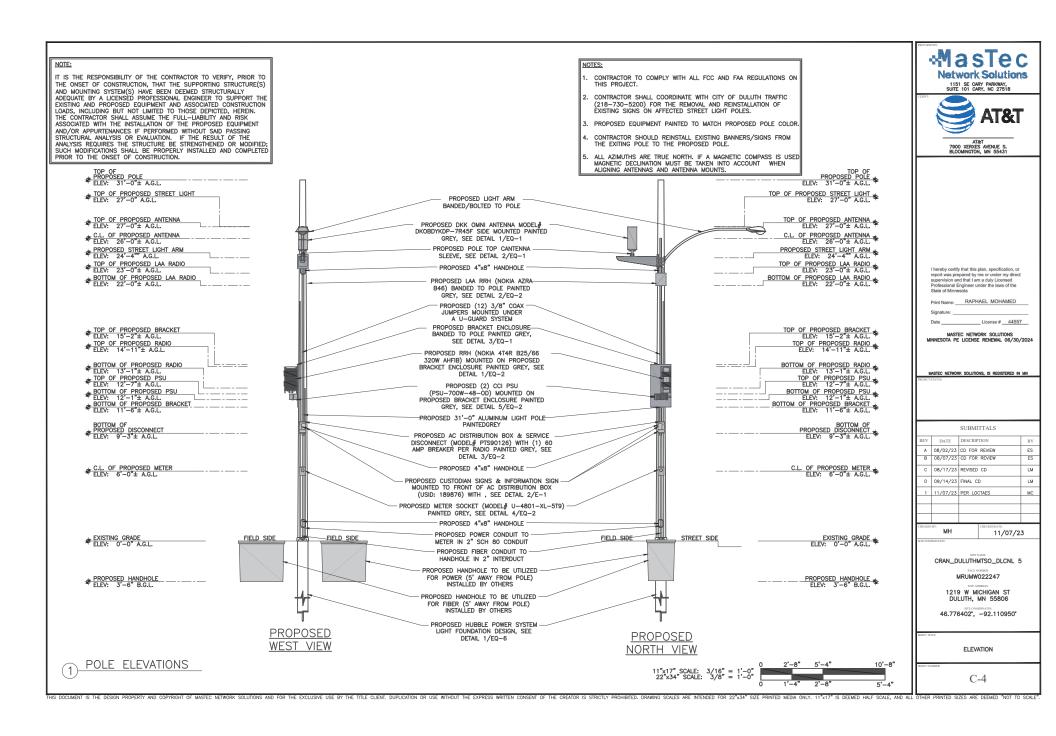
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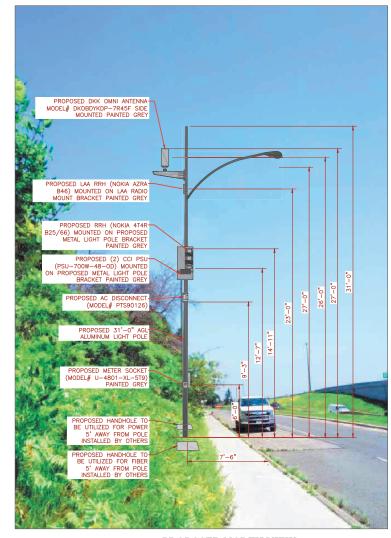












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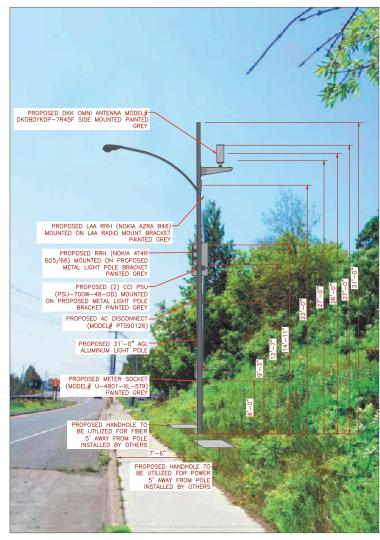
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