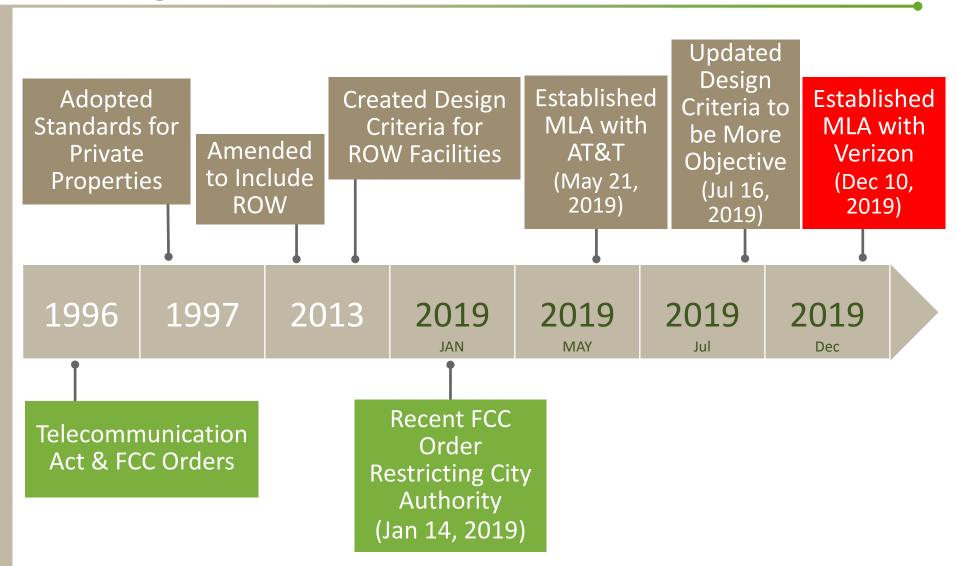


#### Telecommunication Ordinance Amendments

Andrew Miner, Assistant Director Of Community Development City Council, December 1, 2020

# **Background**



# **Types of ROW Applications**

## Joint Poles (Wood Poles)

- Requires noticing, pole-by-pole designs
- No process change anticipated

## City Poles

- Design established with MLA
  - Incorporate Design Criteria in approved design
- MLA and design reviewed by Council
  - MLA gives carriers more options for build-out
- Responds to future technologies (5G)

# **Existing Process for Using City Poles**

# Master License Agreement

Facility Design Established

# Preliminary Design Review (Optional)

Carriers submit preliminary designs for staff review



Review Design

Notice 300 ft.

**Process Appeals** 

#### **Encroachment Permit**

Ensure consistency with MLA

# **Concern with Existing Process**

# Redundancy of Design Review

MLA incorporates Council-adopted design criteria

## Public Outreach Efforts & Implication

- 300 ft. Notice (40-100 notices per site)
- Hundreds more 5G applications expected
- Shot clock limitations
- Public Hearings
- Appeals of City pole facility
  - Difficult to overturn approval if consistent with MLA

## **Proposed Process Change**

## City Poles w/ Approved MLA

- Eliminate Planning Division Design Review:
  - Design controlled by MLA
  - Extensive public noticing required

#### Non-City Poles in ROW

- No change in process
- Design criteria used in review
- Potential for appeals

# **Proposed Process (Approved MLA)**

#### Master License Agreement

Design included in MLA



Ensure conformance with MLA design

#### **Encroachment Permit**

Check Design Consistency with MLA Design Template

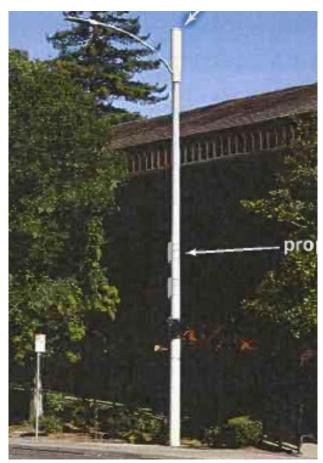
# **Goals of Proposed Process**

## Relying on MLA for Review

- Consistent design throughout City
- Reduce Process Time
- Efficient Use of City Resources
- Reduce Use of Wood Utility Poles

# **Goals of Proposed Process (cont.)**

Sleeker Design in MLA Design Template



Typical Light Pole Design



Typical Utility Pole Design

#### **Planning Commission and Staff Recommendation**

#### Consideration

Alternative 1

Introduce an Ordinance to amend Sunnyvale Municipal Code Chapter 19.54. Wireless Telecommunication Facilities

#### Planning Commission

Alternative 1 as described above

#### Staff

Alternative 1 as described above