

Ord.

2013-0129

INTRODUCED BY: V.J. ST. PIERRE, JR., PARISH PRESIDENT  
(DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING)

ORDINANCE NO. 13-4-9

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances Appendix A, Sections X.G.1.c and X.G.3.a to change the permit type and to clarify the General Design Requirements for the installation of telecommunication towers and related equipment to reflect the International Building Code Wind Load Requirements.

- WHEREAS, the General Design Requirements for the installation of Telecommunications towers and related equipment was adopted into the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances in 1997; and,
- WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish adopted the International Building Code and its wind load requirements in 2006; and,
- WHEREAS, there are conflicts between the two ordinances making it difficult for tower and cellular communication engineers to certify that both things are true; and,
- WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish Council wishes correct this conflict.

**THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION I.** That the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Section X.G.1.c is amended (add underline, delete strikethrough)

- c. Permit Fee. ~~An applicant for a permit for a New cellular or PCS installation towers shall pay a be permitted as permit fee based on the permit fee structure outlined for industrial new commercial permits in St. Charles Parish.~~ Other installations or modifications to existing facilities shall require the appropriate trade or commercial renovation permit.

**SECTION II.** That the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Section X.G.3.a is amended by as follows (add underline, delete strikethrough):

- a. Structural Integrity. Cellular and PCS towers and any other transmission equipment shall be certified by an engineer, registered in the State of Louisiana, to withstand the minimum wind load structural standards for antenna towers and support structures of one hundred and five (105) miles per hour and a maximum gust load of two hundred (200) miles per hour as specified by the latest edition of the International Building Code IBC/ASCE-7 and the Telecommunications Industry Association Standards referenced as TIA-222 as adopted and as amended hereafter. ~~The tower and any other transmission equipment must be certified to meet any structural standards for steel antenna towers and support structures set in the Electronic Industries Association/Telecommunications Association Standards referenced as EIA/TTA 222 and as amended hereafter.~~

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: SCHEXNAYDRE, FAUCHEUX, WILSON, TASTET, BENEDETTO, HOGAN, COCHRAN, FISHER-PERRIER  
 NAYS: NONE  
 ABSENT: FLETCHER

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 22nd day of April, 2013, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Wendy Benedetto  
 ACTING SECRETARY: Calli Madure  
 DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 24, 2013  
 APPROVED:  DISAPPROVED:   
 PARISH PRESIDENT: W.J. St. Pierre  
 RETD/SECRETARY: April 24, 2013  
 AT: 3:10 pm RECD BY: CDM