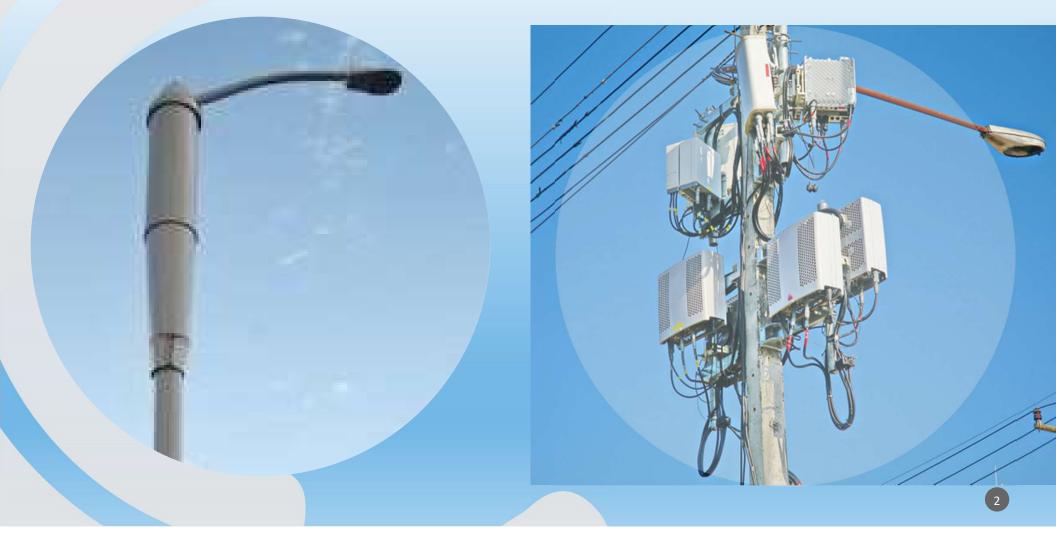
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### **5G DESIGN IMPACTS: THE GOOD AND THE BAD**



# Overview of FCC Regulations – Their Impact on Land Use Decisions

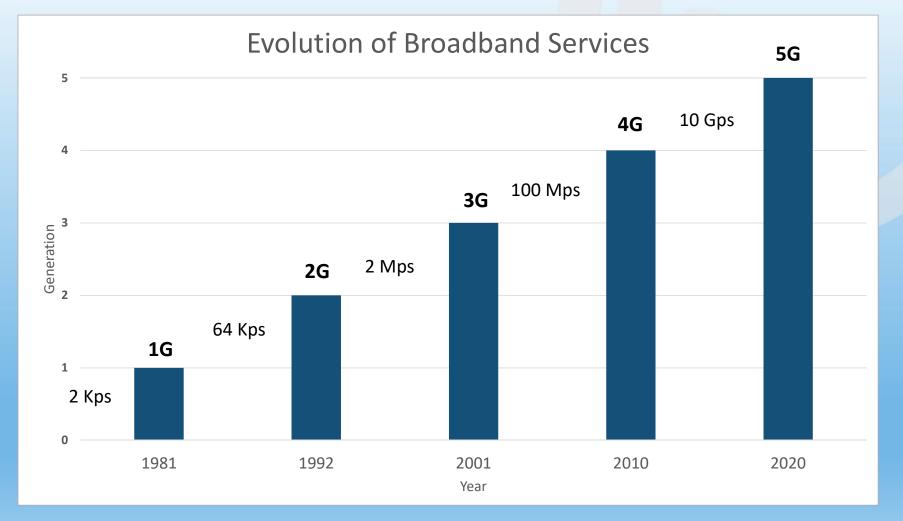
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### Technical Terms Pertinent to 5G

- Hertz a unit of frequency equal to one cycle per second
- Giga Hertz (GHz) a unit of frequency equal to 1 billion cycles per second
- Radio Frequency FCC radio service between 99KHz and 300 GHz
- Radio Spectrum Allocation bandwidth allocated between 9KHz-275 GHz
- Bit a unit of measure to quantify computer data
- Megabits per second (Mbs) a unit of data transfer rate equal to 1,000,000 bits per second
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- 5G is the fifth generation cellular network technology

# Fifth Generation Broadband Deployment (5G)

- Rapid Expansion of Broadband Capabilities a National Mandate
  - Many Goals: Faster, More Reliable, More Coverage, More Secure
  - Expansion of Bandwidth for 5G Growth
- Elimination of Local & State Barriers to 5G Deployment
  - FCC Regulations issued October 2018
- Massive Investments in Robotics, Smart Cities, Internet of Things
  - Future will be data driven to levels beyond anyone's imagination



### Demonstration Cities for 5G Deployment



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# The Vision for 5G – A Work in Progress

#### Innovations which 5G is expected to enable:

Remote robotic surgery	Biometric authentication
Internet of Things	3D printing
Enhanced industrial automation	Increased access to virtual medical care
Smarter homes and cities	Safer autonomous vehicles
Next generation wearables	Artificial intelligence and machine learning
Smart grids/energy	Improved emergency response
Virtual reality experiences	Advances in genomics

Source: PSB Survey of 3,588 Business Decision Makers, 2018, p. 124

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# 6 FCC Regulatory Developments



#### Reducing Cost and Time of 5G Broadband

- Shot Clock Concept
- Restriction on Broadband Fees



#### Limiting Restrictive Land Use Controls

- No Undergrounding Requirements
- Restrict Minimum Spacing of Small Cells



#### **Objective Viewshed and Design Standards**

- Reasonable Historic Preservation Standards
- Objective and Transparent Viewshed Requirements

# Shot Clock for Small Wireless Facilities (SWF)

- New Shot Clock Concept as of 2019 (SWF)
  - 60 Day Shot Clock for co-location on a pre-existing structure
  - 90 Day Shot Clock for attachment to a new structure
- Previous Shot Clocks Remain in Place (2009) –NOT for SWF
  - 90 Day Shot Clock for co-location applications
  - 150 Day Shot Clock for applications other than co-locations



# How the Clock Works?

# Shot Clock applies across all permitting programs:

- Zoning, Building, Electrical, Engineering, Architectural, etc.
  - "Act within a reasonable period of time"

#### Example: Shot Clock for co-located SWF

- Clocks begins with submitted application
- 10 Days to find application complete
- Complete approval in 50 days



# What is a Small Wireless Facility?

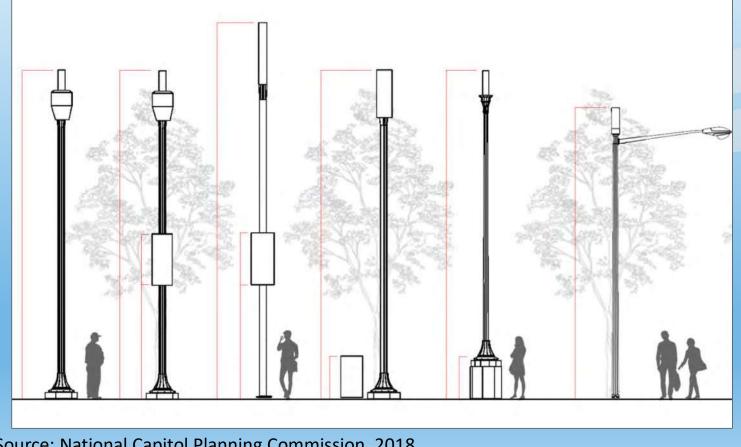
#### • A SWF must meet the following conditions:

- Mounted on a structure 50 feet in height or less
- Cannot be more than 10% taller than adjacent structures
- Antenna limited to 3 cubic feet
- Other SWF equipment limited to 28 cubic feet
- Radio frequency radiation within FCC safety standards



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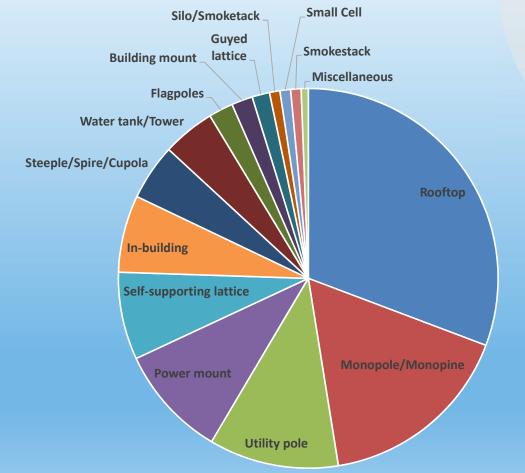
### Aesthetic Street Poles Designed for 5G



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Source: National Capitol Planning Commission, 2018

### Tower/Small Cell Locations in Western CT

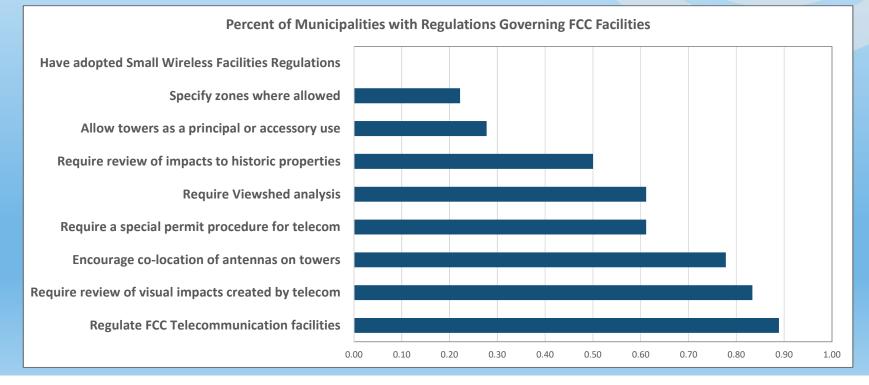


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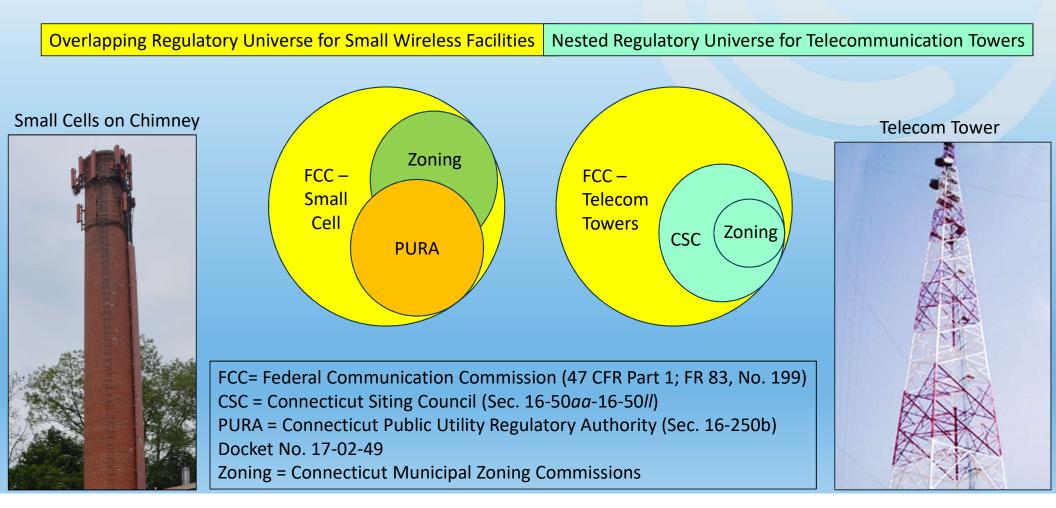
- Rooftop
- Monopole/Monopine
- Utility pole
- Power mount
- Self-supporting lattice
- In-building
- Steeple/Spire/Cupola
- Water tank/Tower
- Flagpoles
- Building mount
- Guyed lattice
- Silo/Smoketack
- Small Cell
- Smokestack
- Miscellaneous

# Current Zoning for Small Wireless Facilities

- Major Finding from a 2019 review of Municipal Zoning Regulations
  - Significant Revisions are required to Zoning in all Municipalities



#### The World of Broadband Regulations Impacting Connecticut Municipalities is Complex



# FCC Model Zoning Code Streamlines Broadband Deployment

#### **Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee created a Model Ordinance**

- 5 Key Elements of the Model Ordinance follow:
  - 1. SWF permitted use with height limits
    - Discretionary review procedures for projects on private property
  - 2. Strict Time limits on Application Approvals
    - Failure to act deemed approval by the passage of time
  - 3. SWF Authorized in Public Right of Way
    - Limits Pole heights in ROW to 50 feet
  - 4. Detailed regulation of Municipally owned poles
    - Enables construction of poles/vertical structure where none exist
  - 5. Design Standards for Stealth and Concealment

# Anticipated Next Steps

- Convene Regional Task Force to Address 5G Deployment
- Elements of a Task Force Strategy Include:
  - Revise municipal permit procedures to comply with FCC requirements
    - Convene Planner's Lunch on FCC Requirements
  - Use model Ordinance for Small Wireless Facilities as a Guide
  - Identify Priority Zones for Small Wireless Facility Deployment
    - Consult with Business and Industry Leaders & Broadband Service Providers
  - Develop a 5G strategy that Makes Western CT a Digital Leader
  - Consider CT Public Act 19-163 in decision making

A Regional 5G Task Force is key to a coordinated development strategy.

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