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ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 9-3-117(p) (CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS) of Article I (CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CABLE SYSTEM) of Chapter 3 (ALEXANDRIA CABLE COMMUNICATIONS CODE) of Title 9 (LICENSING AND REGULATION) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 9-3-117(p) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended by deleting the text shown in strikethrough and adding the underlined text as follows :

Sec. 9-3-117 - Construction, operation and maintenance requirements.

(p) ~~In all areas of the city where electric utility lines or telephone lines, or both, are located overhead, all trunk, feeder, drop cables and lines, and other facilities, associated with a franchisee's cable system may be constructed, and may thereafter continue to be located (except as provided below), overhead. In all areas of the city where electric utility and telephone lines are located underground, Beginning on November 1, 2022, all new trunk, feeder, and drop cables and lines, and other new facilities, associated with a franchisee's cable system shall be constructed underground, and thereafter shall continue to be located, underground, and any such facilities of the franchisee that are already constructed in said areas shall be relocated underground, and a All such undergrounding shall be undertaken at the sole expense of the franchisee. The replacement, repair, or maintenance of existing facilities shall not be deemed construction of new facilities. Whenever and wherever existing electric utility lines and telephone lines are relocated from overhead to underground placement in an area of the city, all cables, lines and other facilities associated with a cable system in the area that are located overhead shall be relocated underground no later than 180 days following the undergrounding of the electric and telephone lines, or by another date determined by the city council.~~

Section 2. That Section 9-3-117(p) as amended pursuant to Section 1 of this ordinance, be, and the same hereby is, reordained as part of the City of Alexandria City Code.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

JUSTIN WILSON
Mayor

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- 4 Introduction:
- 5 First Reading:
- 6 Publication:
- 7 Public Hearing:
- 8 Second Reading:
- 9 Final Passage: