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ORDINANCE NO. 2023-__

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-9 AS SET FORTH IN THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF SECTION 3 TO BE ENTITLED "ESSENTIAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES" ; PROVIDING FOR ESSENTIAL FACILITIES SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR HEIGHT OF STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR SCREENING AND BUFFERING; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SETBACK REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the public's interest to establish policies and procedures to allow for consistent, flexible, creative, and economically beneficial development within the City of Westlake.

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WHEREAS, on September 23, 2019, the City Council of the City of Westlake adopted Ordinance 2019-9 which established a zoning district and set forth standards for the zoning district;

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WHEREAS, the City's Planning Consultants recommend that the Code of Ordinances, specifically Ordinance 2019-9 be amended to create and establish regulations for essential facilities and structures.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

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SECTION 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are confirmed, adopted and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

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SECTION 2. The City Council hereby amends Ordinance No. 2019-9 by amending Article ____ by specifically creating Section 3 entitled "Essential Facilities and Services" as follows:

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Section 3: Essential Facilities and Services. All buildings or structures defined as essential facilities and services in Chapter 1, Article 1.2 of this code (the "Essential Service Facilities"), are permitted by right in all zoning districts as shown in Table 3-20, when necessary for the day-to-day operation of the applicable governmental entity, subject to the requirements set forth in Chapter 3 Article 3.3 Section 3.

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A) Height of structures.

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1 No portion of any Essential Service Facility regulated by
2 this section shall exceed 50 feet in height in any
3 residential zoning districts or exceed 150 feet in non-
4 residential zoning districts.

5 **B) Screening and appearance.**

6 Essential Service Facilities (excluding transmission
7 poles) exceeding three (3) feet in height, ~~must shall~~ be of
8 a neutral, non-glare color or finish so as to make them as
9 visually unobtrusive. In the event if the Essential Service
10 Facilities are adjacent to property within ~~the a~~ R-1 or R-2
11 zoning district, the ~~residential Essential Service Facility~~
12 ~~zoning district must shall provide shrubs or plant~~
13 ~~material acceptable to the City be shielded by shrubs at~~
14 least three (3) feet high at time of planting to shield the
15 Essential Service Facility from adjacent residential
16 properties, unless the residential property is in public
17 control or ownership.

18 **C) Exemptions from property development regulations.**

19 (a) Essential Service Facilities shall be exempt from the
20 property development regulations which set forth
21 minimum dimensions and setbacks, except as
22 provided below. that above ground Essential Services
23 Facilities or essential service equipment shall not be
24 placed closer than three (3) feet from any sidewalk or
25 bike path as provided below.

26 (b) Parcels containing Essential Service Facilities shall
27 not be required to meet the minimum required lot
28 area and lot dimensions for the zoning district
29 wherein located, provided that access, buffering,
30 drainage, retention, parking and other applicable
31 provisions of this section and the Land Development
32 Regulations are satisfied. Essential Service Facilities

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shall ~~not~~ have a maximum lot coverage ~~of exceeding~~ 75%, and shall provide for a minimum pervious percentage of ~~parcel lot coverage~~ of 25%.

D) Setbacks.

- (a) Essential Service Facilities regulated by this section that are three (3) feet or less in height are exempt from all setback requirements, except that such Facilities may shall not be placed closer than three (3) feet to any public sidewalk or bike path.
- (b) Essential Service Facilities that are over three (3) feet but less than six (6) feet in height ~~must shall~~ be set back a minimum of five (5) feet from any road right-of-way or public easement and ~~must shall~~ comply with the visibility triangles (corner clips).
- (c) Essential Service Facilities that exceed six (6) feet in height ~~must shall~~ provide for a minimum front setback of thirty (30) feet, and side and rear setbacks of a minimum of ten (10) feet, ~~unless adjacent to property in public control or ownership, in which case no setback is required.~~ Essential Service Facilities shall not be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any body of water, measured from top of bank.

Commented [SB2]: Items less than 3 feet cannot be restricted in their location in regards to the sidewalks or bike paths. We have a whole host of items that by design fall in that location.

SECTION 3. Codification. It is the intention of the City Council of the City of Westlake that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Westlake, Florida, and that the Sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered, re-lettered and the word "Ordinance" may be changed to "Section," "Article" or such other word or phrase in order to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 4. Conflicts. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions or parts of resolutions which are in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 5. Severability. Should the provisions of this ordinance be

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1 declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this
2 ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such
3 decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses,
4 and phrases of this ordinance but they shall remain in effect, it being the legislative
5 intent that this ordinance shall remain notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.
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7 **SECTION 6.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective upon
8 adoption on second reading.
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10 **PASSED** this ____ day of _____, 2023, on first reading.

11 **PUBLISHED** on this ____ day of _____, 2023 in the Palm Beach Post.

12 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2023, on second reading.

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14 City of Westlake
15 JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor

16 ATTEST:

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18 Zoie Burgess, City Clerk
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21 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
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25 OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY