

SHARED USE OF COMMUNICATION TOWERS AND CABINET APPLICATION PROCESS

An antenna which is to be attached to an existing tower may be approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator. To minimize adverse visual impacts associated with the proliferation and clustering of towers, collocation of antennas by more than one carrier on existing towers shall take precedence over the construction of new towers. Co-users are required to apply for a Shared Use Permit to add an antenna or microwave to an existing Communications Tower.

The following provisions shall govern the issuance of shared use permits for antennas by the Planning and Zoning Administrator:

1. A current notarized affidavit from the owner of the tower allowing the co-location of the antenna must be submitted. Any agent acting in the behalf of the owner must present an notarized affidavit from the owner granting them permission to act as owner's agent.
2. A detailed site plan must be submitted at the time of application. To the extent applicable, the additional antenna shall comply with the provisions of Section 13.5 A of the Zoning Order of Warren County. (Section 13.5 A – The design of the Telecommunications Facility shall maximize the use of building materials, colors, textures, screening, and landscaping that effectively blend the proposed facility within the surrounding natural seeing and environment. All Communication Towers, Equipment Shelter, sand Cabinets shall have an exterior finish compatible with the natural environment surrounding the site. The site shall be kept landscaped and be aesthetically pleasing to the surround area.
3. Certification that antenna placement will not enact additional requirements by the FCC/FAA. If antenna placement on an existing structures enacts other changes of said tower under FCC/FAA requirements, Shared Use permit will not be issued. The antenna must comply with all applicable FCC and FAA regulations.
4. Certification from licensed professional engineer which states tower, with additional antennas, will be in compliance with Section 13.5 D. (Section 13.5.D.-The tower shall be structurally designed to collapse on-site as evidenced by the written opinion of a qualified licensed engineer hired by the applicant.)
5. Any information of an engineering nature submitted by the applicants, whether civil, mechanical, structural, or electrical, shall be certified by a licensed professional engineer.
6. An applicant for a Shared Use Permit shall submit the information described in this Section and a non-refundable fee as established by the County Commission for the costs of reviewing the application.
7. A Shared Use Permit will not be issued on a tower that does not already have a Conditional Use Permit.
8. In granting a Shared Use Permit, the Planning and Zoning Administrator may impose conditions to the extent it is concluded such conditions are necessary to minimize any adverse effect of the proposed antenna on adjoining properties.