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Action Requested:

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Introduction & Background:

The Board held a preliminary discussion of the draft ordinance at the September 16th meeting and held an initial public hearing for October 21st. This abstract outlines the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance to align with the proposed wireless telecommunications ordinance.

Discussion & Analysis:

The following list encompasses the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance required to align with the draft telecommunications ordinance:

- Amendment of Section 10.3 Zoning Table to Permitted Uses, which breaks out the various types of wireless facilities permitted within the zoned portions of the county.
- Amendment to Section 12.6 Applicability, which excludes wireless facilities from the zoning ordinance landscaping requirements and references the draft wireless facilities ordinance landscaping requirements which are outlined in Section 2-4 (11).
- Amendment to 7.2 Definitions, which adds definitions for Wireless Facilities and Concealed Wireless Facilities.

Recommendation:

Receive public comment and refer to Planning Board.