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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To: Abutters

In conformity with the requirements of Section 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) you are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held in the Select Board Meeting Room on the 2nd Floor of Winchester Town Hall in the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts on the **24th day of February, 2020 at 7:50 p.m.** upon the petition of NSTAR Electric d/b/a Eversource Energy for permission to construct, and a location for, a line of conduits and manholes, with the necessary wires and cables therein, for the transmission of electricity, under the following public ways of said Town:

Highland – install two new Joint Owned poles (9/5-1x & 9/4-1x) in Highland Avenue.

This work is necessary to provide underground electrical service to the Abby Road subdivision, which is currently under construction.

The public is invited to attend.

February 13, 2020



TOWN OF WINCHESTER
71 MT. VERNON STREET, WINCHESTER, MA
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
PHONE 781-721-7120 / FAX 781-721-7166

TO: Lisa Wong, Town Manager

FROM: Beth Rudolph, P.E., Town Engineer 

DATE: February 8, 2020

RE: Eversource & Verizon Grant of Location Petition – Highland Avenue Utility Poles

The Engineering Department has reviewed the joint Grant of Location Petition from Eversource and Verizon to install two new Joint Owned poles (9/5-1x & 9/4-1x) in Highland Avenue. The improvements are necessary to provide underground electrical service to the Abby Road subdivision, which is currently under construction.

We find this petition to be acceptable subject to the following conditions:

- The petitioner must meet and satisfy all conditions of Exhibit A (attached);
- Installation shall be subject to the Town's Street Opening moratorium, which runs from November 15th through April 15th, at the discretion of the DPW Director;
- The conduit shall be installed by open excavation only (no tunneling);
- All underground utilities shall be adequately protected;
- All town-owned utilities shall be relocated at the applicant's expense, as needed;
- The conduit shall be installed/inspected by Eversource and duly recorded with Dig Safe.

cc: Jay Gill, DPW Director

Attachment: Exhibit A – Town of Winchester Grant of Location Requirements



TOWN OF WINCHESTER
GRANT OF LOCATION – EXHIBIT A

Public Utility: Eversource & Verizon
Location: Highland Avenue

Grantee(s) shall apply for and obtain a Street Opening Permit from the Winchester Department of Public Works, (781-721-7100).

Said Grantee(s) and/or any sub-contractor employed by the grantee(s) shall indemnify and save the Town harmless against all damages, costs and expense whatsoever to which the Town may be subjected in consequence of the acts or neglect of said Grantee(s), its agents or servants, or in any manner arising from the rights and privileges granted by the Town. The foregoing is with respect to activity in, over or under public ways and public property.

Grantee(s) shall execute a bond in a penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) (a bond already on file with Town may be used if and only if said bond by its terms is applicable to the work hereby authorized), conditional on the faithful performance of its duties under this permit including without limitation compliance with lawful state and local laws and requirements.

Said Grantee(s) shall comply with the requirements of all state laws and regulations, to the extent applicable, including but not limited to Massachusetts Dig-Safe Requirements, MGL c. 82, sections 40A – 40D; the Massachusetts Excavation and Trench Safety Law, MGL c. 82A, s. 1 et al, and Town of Winchester by-laws, Board of Selectmen and Department of Public Works reasonable regulations and requirements including Town of Winchester Rules and Regulations Regulating Street Excavations, and such other reasonable rules and regulations as may hereafter be adopted governing the construction and maintenance of conduits and wires, and work in and use of the rights-of-way within the Town, so far as the same are not inconsistent with the laws of the Commonwealth.

In work involving excavation of more than 100 feet of any public way, Grantee shall exercise best efforts to notify all abutters served and impacted by the work within 72 hours prior to commencement of said work.

Grantee shall comply with traffic management and police detail requirements as stipulated in the street opening permit or as otherwise lawfully required by the Winchester Police Department.

All Town-owned services located in, or serviced from this location, shall be re-connected without any cost to the Town in accordance with Town of Winchester requirements and standards.

All disturbed areas must be returned to the same condition in which they were found before the excavation.

Grantee will upon request of the Town, provide to the Town, plans kept in the ordinary course of business reflecting the location of Grantee's facilities in a particular area; and if Town has compatible GIS data exchange, Grantee will periodically exchange its data base on facility locations via GIS data exchange.

Grantee(s) acknowledges and agrees to the Town of Winchester roadway construction moratorium between November 15st and April 15st, except for emergency situations. If emergency status is granted to permit work during the winter moratorium, the grantee(s) and/or contractor must secure the area by sunset each working day, and shall secure the roadway to allow snow plowing and salting and to avoid any flooding. All roadway paving must be maintained during the winter months until permanent repairs can be made.

Upon reasonable request of the Department of Public Works, Town Engineer or Police/Fire Departments, Grantee shall meet with Town designees prior to commencement of construction to discuss Town right-of-way management, public safety matters, street restoration, work standards and related matters if and as needed.

Conduit shall be installed by excavation and not tunneling.



101 Linwood Street
Somerville, MA 02143

November 8, 2019

Select Board
Town Hall
Winchester, MA 01890

RE: Highland Ave/Abby Road
Winchester, MA
W.O. # 2326136

Dear Members of the Board:

The NSTAR Electric Company, d/b/a Eversource Energy, and Verizon, New England INC, respectfully requests a Grant of Location for the installation of two (2) Joint Owned poles (9/5-1x & 9/4-1x), in Highland Avenue.

This installation is necessary to accommodate service for the new development on Abby Road.

If you have any questions, please call Jacqueline Duffy, Right of Way Agent. Her telephone number is 617-369-5509.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly-Ann Correia". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line through the middle.

Kelly-Ann Correia, Supervisor
Rights and Permits

TOWN OF WINCHESTER
TOWN MANAGER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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PETITION OF NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY AND OTHER COMPANIES FOR ALTERATION OF
JOINT OR IDENTICAL LOCATIONS FOR EXISTING POLES

To the Select Board of the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts:

Respectfully represent NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., companies subject to Chapter 166 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.), that they have heretofore received a grant of joint or identical location for, and have erected or constructed, a line consisting of wires, poles and such other fixtures as may be necessary to sustain or protect the wires of the line, upon, along and across the public way or ways hereinafer specified, and that it is desirable that the location of certain of said poles be altered.

WHEREFORE, your petitioners pray that the Select Board May by Order direct an alteration in the location of said existing poles so that hereafter said poles together with such other fixtures as may be necessary to sustain or protect the wires of the line shall be located, substantially as shown on the plan made by A. DeBenedictis dated November 7, 2019 and filed herewith, upon, along and across the following public way or ways of said Town:

Highland Avenue- Easterly side, near the intersection of Highland Terrace,
install two JO (2) new poles 9/5-1x & 9/4-1x.

W.O. #2326136

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point upon each of said poles for the telephone, fire and police signal wires owned by the Town and used for municipal purposes.

NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE
ENERGY

By Kelly-Ann Correia
Kelly-Ann Correia, Supervisor
Rights and Permits

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.

By Karen Levesque
Karen Levesque - ROW Manager

Dated this 8th day of November 2019

City of Winchester, Massachusetts.

Received and filed _____ 2019

Select Board

**ORDER FOR ALTERATION OF JOINT OR IDENTICAL LOCATIONS
FOR EXISTING POLES**

Town of Winchester Massachusetts,

November 08, 2019

WHEREAS, NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., have heretofore been granted a joint or identical location for, and have erected or constructed, a line consisting of wires, poles and such other fixtures as may be necessary to sustain or protect the wires of the line upon, along and across the public way or ways thereafter specified, and have petitioned for an alteration in the location of certain said poles.

It is DIRECTED that the location heretofore granted for said poles be altered so that thereafter said poles shall be located, substantially as shown on the plan on file with said petition for alteration in the location, upon, along and across the following public way or ways of said Town:

Highland Avenue- Easterly side, near the intersection of Highland Terrace, install two JO (2) new poles 9/5-1x & 9/4-1x.

W.O. #2326136

Also that permission be and hereby is granted to each of said companies to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each may desire for distributing purposes.

All construction work under this Order shall be in accordance with the following conditions: Poles shall be of sound timber and located as shown on a plan made by A. DeBenedictis dated November 7, 2019 on file with said petition. There may be attached to said poles by said **NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY** and by said **VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.**, wires and cables necessary for the conduct of their business. All such wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than twenty from the ground.

Select Board

Town of
Winchester

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Order of the **Select Board** of the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts, duly adopted on the _____ day of _____, 2019, and recorded with the records of location Orders of said Town.

Book _____ Page _____.

Attest: _____

Clerk of Town of Winchester, Massachusetts

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