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4/28/2022	1	City Council	Referred for recommendation	

Agenda Text

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Official Text

CITY OF SOMERVILLE ORDINANCE NO. 2022- IN THE CITY COUNCIL: _____, 2022

An Ordinance Amending Sec. 11-63. - Removing poles, conduits and wires.

Be it ordained by the Somerville City Council in session assembled, that Chapter 11, Article III, Division 2, Section 11-63 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) No pole shall be removed without permission of the city council.
- (b) The city council may order the removal of poles, conduits, and/or wires by an entity granted permission to lay conduit and wires, or erect poles, or who is operating such, after granting said entity an opportunity to be heard, if:
 - (1) In the city council's judgment removal is in the best interest of the public; or,

(2) The entity operating the poles, conduits, and/or wires has not complied with all the conditions, terms, and requirements associated with the grant of permission to lay conduit and wires, or erect poles.

- (c) If an entity neglects to execute an order to remove poles, conduits, and/or wires within 30 days after its passage by the city council, they shall be subject to a fine in accordance with the provisions of section 1-11 (b). Each location at which poles, wires, and/or conduits should have been removed and have not shall be considered a separate violation of this section.

Be it further ordained by the city council that Section 1-11(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville is hereby amended as follows:

Offense	Fine	Enforcing Personnel
Failure to remove poles, conduits, and/or wires	\$300 per day	Commissioner of Public Works; Inspectional services

Approved:

President

Approved:

Mayor