

TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS STAFF REPORT

Application Number: 18-071
Subject Property Location: In the Public Right of Way in front of 220 E Franklin Street
Applicant: Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC
Filing Date: 9/5/2018
Meeting Dates: 10/9/2018; 11/13/2018

I. INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: FRANKLIN-ROSEMARY

Zoning District: OI-4

Nature of Project: Installation of a new fibertech wood pole in the public right of way on E Franklin Street.

II. PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACTS

The Historic District Design Guidelines for *Utilities and Energy Retrofit*, on page 49, provide Guidelines 8 & 9:

8. Install mechanical equipment in areas and spaces that require the least amount of alteration to the appearance and historic fabric of the building.
9. Minimize the visual impact of new mechanical and communication equipment and utilities by installing them in inconspicuous locations that are not visible from the street and by screening them from view. It is not appropriate to install condensers, skylights, ventilators, solar collectors, and mechanical or communication equipment on roof slopes or building elevations that are visible from the street or in locations that visibly compromise the architectural character of the historic building.