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## **RESOLUTION #99-25**

## Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing for the purpose of amending town telecommunications code Section 116.

Scheduling A Public Hearing On Local Law No 2 Entitled "Amending the Town Code Section 116

Regarding Telecommunication Facilities"

Whereas, the Town of Shandaken's Comprehensive Plan of 2005, (the "Plan") notes: "The placement of signal transmission equipment is essential to the operation of wireless telephone services for the residents, visitors and emergency service providers; and

Whereas, the Plan also indicates that "Emergency Communication – An alternative emergency communication system needs to be identified in light of Verizon's recent announcement that it will be eliminating many of the public telephones in the Town": and

Whereas, the survey conducted in association with the outreach effort to update the 2005 Comprehensive Plan identified cell service/emergency communication as one of the Town's top three concerns; and

Whereas, the City of New York Department of Conservation announced in 2024 an initiative to improve cellular communication in the watershed recognizing the risk to its water supply lands due to poor cellular communication; and

**Whereas**, the Town of Shandaken continues suffer from lack of cell service in part due to the limited opportunities for siting cell towers and costs associated with their construction on difficult terrain; and

**Whereas**; the Town Board recognizes the significant public safety need and is desirous of removing barriers and increasing the opportunities for the siting of cellular and other public safety communication facilities; and

Whereas; the Town Board has been presented with and has introduced a draft Local Law No. 2 of 2025 entitled "Amending the Town Code Section 116 Regarding Telecommunication Facilities as annexed to this resolution; now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing on said proposed Local Law No. 2 shall be held on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:45pm at the Town Hall, located at 7209 Route 28 in the Town of Shandaken, New York, and that notice of the time and place of such hearing describing in general terms the proposed local law, be published once on or before the 8th day of September 2025 in the Daily Freeman, a newspaper circulating in said Town of Shandaken . and be it further

**Resolved**, that the Town Board has determined that Local Law# 2 constitutes an Unlisted Action under 6NYCRR Part 617.4 (SEQRA) and will act as Lead Agency in the environmental review of this action; and, be it further

**Resolved**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to refer Local Law #2 to the Ulster County Planning Board pursuant to Section 239m of the NY General Municipal Law.

Therefore, be it Resolved, the Town of Shandaken schedules a Public Hearing to hear public comments for or against Town Law #2 of 2025 on Monday Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:45pm. Seconded by DRAKE ROLL CALL: 5 AYES

I, Joyce Grant, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Shandaken, Ulster County, New York, Do HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the attached **Resolution #99-2025**, of the Town Board of the Town of Shandaken contained therein with the original on file in my office and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original as recorded in the minutes of the Town Board meeting dated Auguest 4, 2025

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Shandaken of Ulster County, New York on this day, August 5, 2025

Joyce Grant Town Clerk - Town of Shandaken