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**TO:** Mayor and City Commission

**FROM:** Samuel A. May, Interim City Manager

**DATE:** March 15, 2017

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**BACKGROUND:** House Bill (HB) 687, filed by Representative La Rosa, and Senate Bill (SB) 596, filed by Senator Hutson, are designed to prohibit local governments from regulating "small" or "micro" wireless antennas and equipment on public structures or within right-of-way. The bills prohibit local governments from regulating anything except applicable building codes for this wireless infrastructure. If enacted into law, wireless communications providers and speculators will be able to ignore land development regulations, pedestrian movement, traffic view zones, traffic circulation as well as safety and aesthetic considerations.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

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