

Sec. 5.1.12 - Public utility structures/uses.

- a. The proposed use at the location selected will not endanger the health and safety of workers and/or residents in the community and will not impair or prove detrimental to neighboring properties or the development of same;
- b. Public utility buildings and structures in any residential zone shall, wherever practical, have the exterior appearance of residential buildings and shall have landscaping, screen planting and/or fencing, whenever these are deemed necessary by the commission;

In addition, trespass fencing and other safety measures may be required as deemed necessary to reasonably protect the public welfare;

In cases of earth-disturbing activity, immediate erosion control and reseeding shall be required to the satisfaction of the zoning administrator;

- c. Such structures as towers, transmission lines, transformers, etc., which are abandoned, damaged or otherwise in a state of disrepair, which in the opinion of the zoning administrator pose a hazard to the public safety, shall be repaired/removed to the satisfaction of the zoning administrator within a reasonable time prescribed by the zoning administrator;
- d. In approval of a public utility use, the commission shall be mindful of the desirability of use by more than one utility company of such features as utility easements and river crossings, particularly in areas of historic, visual or scenic value, and it shall, insofar as practical, condition such approvals so as to minimize the proliferation of such easements or crossings, as described by the comprehensive plan.