

## CHAPTER 25 - ARTICLE IX – DIGITAL INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING STATIONS

### Sec. 25-400. – Definitions

For the purposes of this article, certain terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

*Digital information and broadcasting station, or DIB station,* means an article of street furniture designed exclusively for interaction with pedestrians through a digital, touch-enabled interface and which provides pedestrians with location and directional services and which shall be utilized by the City for the dissemination of information to the public, including but not limited to, emergency notifications.

### Sec. 25-401. – Application Requirements

Any applicant wishing to place a digital information and broadcasting station on a right-of-way in the City must comply with the following:

- a) *Site plan.* The applicant shall submit an overall plan showing the number of DIB stations and distance measurements between proposed DIB stations and existing DIB stations and a detailed scaled site plan for all proposed DIB station locations for approval by the POD containing the following:
  1. Location of each proposed DIB station showing its relation to the street, sidewalk, abutting properties and any entrances thereto, any sidewalk cafes and sidewalk retail displays, pushcarts, and all other street furniture (e.g., benches, utility poles, signposts, fire hydrants etc.).
  2. Existing utilities, including underground utilities.
  3. Dimensions and all surface features of each proposed DIB station.
  4. Pedestrian circulation paths around each DIB station including required ADA access to nearby properties.
  5. Identification of any power source required to provide power to a DIB station, including necessary underground utilities.
  6. Proof of notification to abutting property owners at all proposed locations.
- b) *Agreement required.* All applicants desiring to place digital information and broadcasting stations on a right-of-way shall execute a license, management, or other agreement with the City. Upon execution of the agreement, the applicant shall not be required to obtain a "minor easement" from the City for any approved fixture

but shall obtain any required right-of-way permits or building and electrical permits for the installation of each DIB station.

### Sec. 25-402 –Specifications

- a) *Size.* A digital information and broadcasting station shall be a maximum of 11 feet in height when measured from the surface of the sidewalk, and a maximum of four feet in width at its widest point. In no case shall any DIB station have a ground footprint exceeding 8 square feet.
- b) *Design.* The digital touch portion of any digital information and broadcasting station shall not exceed 75% of the total area of the DIB station. The design and appearance of the DIB stations shall be approved by the POD and shall be uniform throughout all of the DIB stations.
- c) *Permitting.* All DIB stations shall comply with all permitting and design specifications as required by the Florida Building Code and Florida Fire Prevention Code.
- d) *Signage.* No signs or advertisement shall be placed on the non-digital portion, or case, of a DIB station, except that the owner or such DIB station may place its name thereon, but in no case shall the name of the owner occupy a space greater than 24 inches in length and 12 inches in height.
- e) *Lighting.* All DIB stations shall be angled or shielded to prevent light trespass on any abutting residential uses. The brightness of any DIB station shall not exceed 0.2 foot candles, which shall be measured as:  
$$\text{Measurement distance} = \sqrt{\text{Area of digital touch portion (sq ft)} \times 100}$$
While not being utilized by pedestrians, a DIB station shall not change the face of its digital portion at a frequency less than one minute. If the digital portion of a DIB station is malfunctioning, the DIB station shall revert to a blank black screen.
- f) *Sound.* DIB stations shall be governed by city code related to noise, except when broadcasting an emergency alert or performing an ADA required accessibility function.
- g) *Function.* All DIB stations shall have the following functions, or provide the following essential services:
  - 1. Emergency broadcasting;
  - 2. Emergency reporting/Assistance request;
  - 3. Wireless hot spot;
  - 4. GPS mapping;
  - 5. ADA accessibility ; and,
  - 6. Light sensing device to adjust brightness or illumination as ambient light conditions change.

**Sec. 25-403. – Location and Placement.**

- a) A digital information and broadcasting station may only be located on sidewalks in Downtown zoning districts and on sidewalks abutting any designated arterial or collector street. In DC zoning districts DIB stations shall only be located upon sidewalks which are at least 10 feet in width. In all other zoning districts DIBS shall only be located upon sidewalks which are at least 8 feet in width.
- b) No digital information and broadcasting station may be placed on the right-of-way within 200 feet of another digital information and broadcasting station.
- c) DIB stations shall not be placed within 10 feet of any driveway or alley entrance.
- d) DIBS stations shall not be placed within 5 feet, or other distance required by the Florida Fire Prevention Code, as amended, of any fire hydrant.
- e) DIB stations shall not be placed within 4 feet of any curb or pedestrian crosswalk.
- f) DIB stations shall not be placed within 3 feet of any parking signs, parking meters, street light or utility pole.
- g) DIB stations shall not be placed within 2 feet of another article of street furniture such as a bicycle parking station, above ground utility box, bench or bus shelter, unless the DIB station is attached to and an integral part of the other article of street furniture.
- h) DIB stations shall not be located within intersections of streets, or intersections of alleys and vehicular driveways with streets, or at intersections of alleys with alleys and with vehicular driveways associated with commercial, industrial and office uses. Such areas shall be measured by beginning at the point where the curb or pavement edge of the street, alley or driveway meet at the corner, or in the case of rounded corners the point at which they would meet without such rounding; thence ten feet along the curb or pavement edge of the street or the alley if it is intersecting with a driveway, thence diagonally to a point along the curb or pavement edge of the intersecting street, alley or driveway ten feet from the point of beginning; and thence to the point of beginning.
- i) DIB stations shall not impair the visibility of any traffic sign or traffic control device.
- j) DIB stations shall not encroach into any ADA required open spaces, or access to any building entrance, or otherwise impede the free flow of pedestrian traffic upon any sidewalk.
- k) DIB stations shall not be located within the boundaries of a permitted and operating sidewalk café, sidewalk retail or pushcart vending area. Sidewalk cafes, sidewalk retail and pushcart vendors seeking permitted status after the installation of a DIB station shall be required to show a minimum 36" buffer between the proposed café and the any side of a DIB station containing the digital touch interface, and shall

provide for a 36" ingress and egress path to the digital touch interface portion of any DIB station.

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