

Mid-Willamette Valley Cable Regulatory Commission Committee Meeting

CCTV Studio, 575 Trade Street, Salem, Oregon June 13, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Sam Brentano, Cara Kaser, Brad Nanke

Budget Committee

Members Present: Jane Cummins, Beth Vargas-Duncan

Staff Present: Alan Haley, Scott Norris, Perry Grier, Jolene Bray

Guests: Alan Bushong, CCTV

Marc Weinstein, City of Salem

Ryan Zink, City of Salem Tim Goodman, Comcast

Minutes: Jolene Bray

I. CALL TO ORDER: 4:05 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF March 9, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Cynthia asked for clarification about the modification costs for the Water Street property. Alan said it should be \$3000-\$5000 instead of \$300-\$5000 listed in the minutes. Commissioner Brentano made motion to accept the March 9, 2017, minutes with this correction. Councilor Kaser seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

- III. RECESS FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING: Councilor Nanke called for a recess at 4:08 p.m.
- IV. RECONVENENE: Councilor Nanke reconvened the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

A. Review Fiscal 2017-18 Budget

The budget was reviewed during the CRC Budget Meeting.

B. Receive Budget Committee Recommendation

During the budget committee meeting, committee members voted to accept and recommend the budget for 2017-18 as submitted to the commission for approval.

C. Adopt 2017-18 Budget

Councilor Kaser made a motion to adopt the budget as recommended by the budget committee. Commissioner Brentano seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Comcast Franchise Negotiation

Alan H. said the franchise negotiation is moving forward very positively, but has not been completed yet. He said part of the franchise agreement is a side letter that addresses the city and county moving off dark fiber and the holdup is the side letter, not the franchise. Alan H. said the next piece is to look at issues we've agreed to in the agreement and compare to city and county code to see where it differs. He said all changes in the city will need to go to the city council, but changes in the county will need to be waived for Comcast because county code applies to two other cable franchises. Ryan said many areas aren't conflicts, but are outdated because they haven't been updated since 1994. He said the city and county codes mirror each other and staff is working to make these changes.

Alan H. said the approval process is the agreement must be voted on by the CRC and then the city council must do two readings to approve. He said although he previously said he thought the new agreement would be completed by June, there are several unanticipated administrative items that are slowing the process and he is requesting an extension through October 31. Councilor Nanke asked if city code needs to be amended. Ryan said the agreement says if there are any changes to code subsequent to signing the agreement, these changes are not retroactive, but are enforceable to other cable providers. He said if agreement doesn't speak to it then the code is followed.

Commissioner Brentano made a motion to make the recommendation to extend Comcast's franchise agreement an action item. Councilor Kaser seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Councilor Kasser made a motion to recommend the Comcast franchise agreement be extended until October 31, 2017. Commissioner Brentano seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

NATOA Annual Conference

Alan H. said the NATOA Conference is being held September 11-14 in Seattle. He said Ryan Zink, Marc Weinstein, and Chuck Fauser were attending from the city, and he, Dennis Mansfield, and Jolene Bray were attending from the county. The 2018 conference will be held in Tampa, Florida.

Other Business

Commissioner Brentano asked if parking would now be available in front of CCTV since the production vehicles are moving to the new building. Alan B. said production vehicles may still be parked in front of the building, but CRC members are welcome to park in front of the building during CRC meetings. He said he polices that area and has asked other people to move if they park there.

Tim Goodman said in regards to Perry's comments about the increase in revenue that Comcast is backending video subscribers and attributes the increase in subscribers to their new X1 box. He said regarding franchise discussions, they have made a lot of progress and have a deal. He said it has been a pleasure to work with city and county staff.

VI. ADJOURNED: 4:44 p.m.