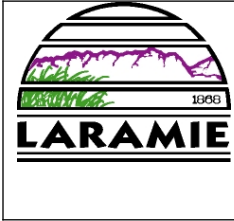


CITY OF LARAMIE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING April 5, 2016



Agenda Item: Original Ordinance - 3rd Reading

Title: Original Ordinance No. 1930 Approving the nonexclusive Franchise Agreement for Cable TV Services Between the City of Laramie, Albany County, Wyoming and Bresnan Communications, LLC Locally Known as Charter Communications

Recommended Council MOTION:

I move to reconsider third and final reading of Original Ordinance No. 1930 (Councilor Summerville)

If reconsidered then:

I move to approve on third and final reading Original Ordinance No. 1930 approving the nonexclusive Franchise Agreement for Cable TV Services between the City of Laramie, Albany County, Wyoming and Bresnan Communications, LLC locally known as Charter Communications and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Continuation of Cable TV Services in the community

Background:

Updated information (4-5-16):

Following the discussion and defeat of Ordinance No. 1930 on March 15, 2016, Charter officials offered the language for Section 3.2 of the ordinance related to an Annual Review process. The language proposed reads as follows:

Charter language:

Annual Review. It is the intent of the Grantor to have a successful relationship with the Grantee. Grantee agrees that Grantor may, on an annual basis after the Effective Date, request a meeting with Grantee at a location designated by Grantor within the City to discuss performance of the Grantee and, as appropriate, resolution of any service issues of concern. Grantor will provide no less than 60 days advance notice of the meeting to the appropriate local representative of the Grantee and the representative listed in the Franchise Agreement. Discussion topics will be identified prior to the meeting and discussion limited to the items listed in the notice. Grantor and Grantee agree to seek efficient and amicable resolution of identified service issues. This annual review will occur upon notice given consistent with this section, for the first three years after the Effective date of this Franchise.

City proposed language:

Annual Review. It is the intent of the Grantor to have a successful relationship with the Grantee. To that end, the Grantor may annually request to the Grantee, a meeting be held at the Grantor's location to discuss performance of the Grantee and appropriate resolution of any service issues of concern brought to the attention of both the Grantor and Grantee. Notice of the meeting will be provided to the Grantee no less than sixty days prior to the date of the meeting to the contact listed in the Franchise Agreement. The meeting topics will be outlined to the

Grantee in that notice. It will be the intent of the parties to work toward amicable resolutions of the noted service issues in an expedient manner.

The language proposed by Charter is similar to the initial language desired by the Council. The Council may desire to consider an annual meeting each year. Also, Council may desire to postpone following reconsideration to April 19, 2016 to allow adequate notice for public comment.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

WY Statute authorizes a city to enter into franchise agreements

BUDGET/FISCAL INFORMATION:

REVENUE

Source	Amount	Type
Fees/Charges for Service	\$275,000.00	Annual estimated Franchise Fees (FY2016 budget)
Grants for Projects		
Loans on Project		
Other		
Total	\$275,000.00	

Responsible Staff:

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Future dates are subject to change

Public Forum	September 16, 2015
Public Hearing (PH) Held	November 10, 2015
PH Advertised	November 8, 2015
Introduction/1 st Reading	November 3, 2015
2 nd Reading	January 5, 2016
3 rd Reading	January 19, 2016

Attachments: Ordinance