



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: July 16, 2024
From: Randy Frazer, City Manager
Item: IdeaTek Fiber Network Contract Franchise Ordinance Agreement

Purpose: An Ordinance granting IdeaTek Telcom, LLC a Contract Franchise to construct, operate and maintain a telecommunications system in the City of Arkansas City, Kansas. **(Voice Vote)**

Background:

IdeaTek owns, maintains, operates and/or controls telecommunications and Internet Facilities serving IdeaTek's customers. Such Facilities are in public rights-of-way (ROW), among other locations, in the State of Kansas. IdeaTek seeks to enter the City of Arkansas City's Right of Way, and other real property of the City, to install, maintain and operate fiber network Facilities, so that IdeaTek and/or its underlying customers may provide data, telecommunications, broadband Internet, and related services to the residents and visitors of the City. Distributed antenna systems which may be located on existing or new streetlights, stand-alone poles, third party utility poles, and other structures located on or within the ROW as permitted under this Contract Franchise ordinance, and which will be connected to IdeaTek's Facilities.

This Contract Franchise shall be effective for a term of ten (10) years from the effective date of this Contract Franchise ordinance. Thereafter, this Contract Franchise will renew for additional one (1) year terms, unless either party notifies the other party of its intent to terminate or renegotiate the Contract Franchise at least ninety (90) days before the termination of the then current term. The additional term shall be deemed a continuation of this Contract Franchise and not as a new franchise or amendment.

Commission Options:

1. Approve the Ordinance
2. Disapprove the Ordinance
3. Table the Ordinance for further discussion

Fiscal Impact:

Amount:

Fund: Department: Expense Code:

Included in budget Grant Bonds Other Not Budgeted

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager