

Equipment Update

PTZ Camera Issues During Live Meetings

There have been no issues witnessed by or brought up to Staff since May's Utility Commission meeting with the PTZ cameras after replacing the 200' CAT 6 cable with 175' CAT 6 cable. The HDMI over CAT transmitter and receiver covers 196' in cable length and don't register video at all with the wall and ceiling installed CAT 5 cables. Staff plans to get assistance from DPW to drill under the faux-wall panels in the crawl space to facilitate a drop-down cable management system to install the newer CAT 6 cables.

Streaming and Video on Demand Outage

There was an outage that made all online streaming, video on demand pages, linked and embedded videos from Cablecast unavailable to the public. The City has a new IT provider and they had done some work with the City's network security and had inadvertently disconnected the Cablecast's DNS A records. The outage was noticed when filming the July Plan Commission meeting and was resolved just before the 7/16 Council meetings started. Staff coordinated with Rhyme IT and Cablecast to resolve the issue.

New Shotgun Microphones

New Rode shotgun microphones have been purchased for use by the two (2) Canon Vixia cameras and Canon DSLR camera. Included were additional wind screens and power and connection cables.

New Editing Computer

A new external hard drive was purchased for workstation use. Staff has been utilizing the Shared Drive on the City Server for graphic and light video editing projects. A previously purchased external drive is being used for official video archive of official City business (meetings, etc.).

Staff is nearing completion of researching for replacement computers for the iMac and the A/V room control computer and will be bringing a few options to the next meeting.

2025 Equipment List

Staff will be preparing for the 2025 budget season and will begin developing a purchasing priority list for possible equipment replacement and upgrades.