

Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Cable Commission

Meeting Date: February 24, 2025

Item Title: Discuss and Take Possible Action to Segregate Cable Broadcast Units from

City Network

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Detailed Description of Subject Matter:

The Cable Commission was made aware of the ongoing Payment Card Information System (PCI) compliance checks issue that is caused by the Cablecast Units constantly poking holes in the City's firewall to distribute video content. After numerous attempts to resolve the issue, Rhyme has suggested the City disconnect the cable operation from the City network. This last resort would either result in loss of cable TV and Roku broadcasts or the City segregating the cable operation to its own internet. Segregated internet would allow the Cable Commission to continue broadcasting to cable TV and Roku but would cost \$3,525.20 to set up and at least \$2,400 per year to maintain. Total year 1 cost is estimated around \$6,165.08.

If segregated, the Cable Commission would send this proposal to the Council as would most likely require cutting the part-time Production Specialist position that hasn't been filled consistently since 2019.Initial funds could come from Capital Equipment line item. During the 2026 budget, maintenance will be added to the Professional Services line item.

City Administration recommends sending this item to Council if the Cable Commission would continue to get separate internet for cable broadcasting.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

Charter Internet Pricing
Rhyme IT Pricing

Action Requested of the Cable Commission:

Discuss and possibly make a recommendation to send this item to the March 4th Council.