

# **ITEM SUMMARY**

MEETING DATE: April 5, 2022

FROM: Andrea McCue, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Televising of City Council Meetings

# **BACKGROUND**

The City Council Chambers is equipped to accommodate audio recording only of public meetings. When the Chambers was constructed, visual recording was not included.

# **ANALYSIS**

The entire audio system within the Chambers needs a major upgrade. Staff has looked at several options using the infrastructure currently in place and adding an entirely new system including cameras, a managed service package, and captioning, with a cost of approximately \$72,000.00. As the City grows and we see that the demand for virtual participation from our residents has increased, staff feels that the City should upgrade the entire audio system in the Chambers.

Additionally, as we look at future needs to accommodate future growth within City Hall, staff is preparing to make recommendations to the Council during the budget process for modifications to City Hall to provide for long term future growth needs including many upgrades to the Council Chambers.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The cost to upgrade the system in the Chambers is not currently in the budget.

### **LEGAL**

The City Attorney has reviewed this Item Summary for legal sufficiency and compliance.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff is recommending that the Council allow us to present options to upgrade the current system during the budget process as part of the Capital Improvement presentation.