



MEMO TO CITY COUNCIL

Request to Include Topic on the City Council Agenda

From: Emily Kane, City Attorney's Office **Meeting Date:** 10/13/2020
Presenter: Laurelei McVey, Deputy Director of Utility Operations, Public Works Department **Estimated Time:** 1 minute
Topic: Project Management Agreement with Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC for Sewer Line Repair – Ten Mile Road

Recommended Council Action:

Please authorize Mayor Simison to execute this agreement on behalf of the City of Meridian.

Background:

In February of 2020, Public Works discovered that a sewer pipe on Ten Mile had been punctured by a conduit that belongs to CenturyLink. The strike punches into one side of the pipe and out the other. It is in the upper part of the pipe, and while it has not rendered the pipe nonfunctional, the breach is causing groundwater incursion and could ultimately result in catastrophic failure of the line. CenturyLink has agreed to pay all expenses necessary to repair the pipe, on the condition that the City serves as the project manager, also at CenturyLink's cost. The Public Works Department has available capacity, resources, and expertise to manage this project.

This agreement establishes the terms and conditions of the arrangement between the City and CenturyLink. Specifically, it requires CenturyLink to make an initial payment of \$100,000 for the City's costs to bid out the contracts necessary to accomplish the repair, as well as the City's project management costs. If the City's costs exceed the initial payment of \$100,000, CenturyLink agrees to pay all additional costs.