



CITY OF MINNETRISTA

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

Subject: Item –Cable Fund Budget Discussion

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Meeting Date: November 3, 2025

Item: Staff is bringing information for a discussion for the 2026 Cable Budget. Attached is the draft budget for 2026 as well as YTD revenue and expenditures activity through October 2025 for the Cable Fund.

The current cash balance in the fund as of October 2025 is (\$23,655).

As you can see, the fund/cash balance has gotten relatively lower in the fund and is now a negative balance. The allocation of salary/personnel services amounts allocated to the fund for expense will need to be reduced. Franchise fee revenue continues to decline over the years with properties having multiple choices for this service.

Recommended City Council Action: Staff is looking to have a discussion on the 2026 draft Cable Fund budget. And incorporating those numbers into the final budget in December.

Does Recommended Action meet City Mission Statement? Yes No

Does Recommended Action meet City Goals/Priorities? Yes No

Explain:

Mission Statement:

The City of Minnetrista will deliver quality services in a cost effective and innovative manner and provide opportunities for a high quality of life while protecting natural resources and maintaining a rural character.

**City of Minnetrista
2026 Draft Cable Fund Budget**

Revenue	2023 Actuals	2024 Budget	2024 Actuals	2025 Budget	2026 Draft Budget
Cable Fund FUND 673					
Revenue	2023 Actuals	2024 Budget	2024 Actuals	2025 Budget	2026 Draft Budget
38050 Cable Revenue	\$ 46,340	\$ 47,000	\$ 46,455	\$ 47,000	\$ 40,000
36210 INTEREST ON INVESTMENT	\$ 6,289	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,506	\$ 1,200	\$ 500
33425 County Aid - Mid co project	\$ 302,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue Total	\$ 354,629	\$ 48,000	\$ 47,961	\$ 48,200	\$ 40,500
Expenditures					
101 SALARIES-REGULAR	56,375	50,000	50,260	48,000	25,000
121 PERA - EMPLOYER CONTR	4,228	3,750	3,769	3,600	1,875
122 FICA - EMPLOYER CONTR	4,280	3,825	3,804	3,672	1,913
131 Health Insurance	1,344	2,000	1,130	1,500	1,500
307 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	999	5,000	24,920	3,000	4,000
560 Equipment/Midco Project	432,480	-	12,689	-	-
Expenditure Total	499,706	64,575	96,572	59,772	34,288
Surplus/(Deficit)	(145,077)	(16,575)	(48,611)	(11,572)	6,213
Beginning Fund Balance	197,717	52,640	52,640	4,029	(7,543)
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Technology improvements to chambers		(15,000)	-		
Ending Fund Balance	52,640	21,065	4,029	(7,543)	(1,330)

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Revenue Guideline updated 2025

Account Descr	2025 YTD Budget	OCTOBER 2025 Amt	2025 YTD Amt	2025 YTD Balance	%YTD Budget	2024 YTD Amt
673 CABLE						
R 673-300-33160 FEDERAL GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
R 673-300-33630 GRANTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
R 673-400-33425 STATE AID OTHER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
R 673-400-38050 CABLE TV	\$47,000.00	\$365.37	\$30,954.02	\$16,045.98	65.86%	\$36,509.91
R 673-610-36210 INTEREST ON INV	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$37.01	\$1,162.99	3.08%	\$1,491.88
R 673-700-40000 OPERATING TRAN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
673 CABLE	\$48,200.00	\$365.37	\$30,991.03	\$17,208.97	64.30%	\$38,001.79
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Expenditure Guideline by Departments - 2025 upd

Account Descr	2025 YTD Budget	OCTOBER 2025 Amt	2025 YTD Amt	2025 YTD Balance	%YTD Budget	2024 YTD Amt
673 CABLE						
49600 CABLE						
E 673-49600-101 SALARIES-REGULA	\$48,000.00	\$4,381.60	\$40,661.91	\$7,338.09	84.71%	\$40,093.60
E 673-49600-121 PERA - EMPLOYER	\$3,600.00	\$328.60	\$2,948.28	\$651.72	81.90%	\$3,007.27
E 673-49600-122 FICA - EMPLOYER	\$3,672.00	\$332.85	\$3,079.60	\$592.40	83.87%	\$3,035.51
E 673-49600-131 HEALTH & LIFE IN	\$1,500.00	\$62.10	\$784.11	\$715.89	52.27%	\$952.02
E 673-49600-307 PROFESSIONAL SE	\$3,000.00	\$805.39	\$9,601.81	-\$6,601.81	320.06%	\$17,691.66
E 673-49600-530 IMPROVEMENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48.07	-\$48.07	0.00%	\$1,861.43
E 673-49600-560 EQIUP AND FURNI	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$6,656.42
49600 CABLE	\$59,772.00	\$5,910.54	\$57,123.78	\$2,648.22	95.57%	\$73,297.91
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