TOWN OF MONCKS CORNER REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, December 19, 2023

Title: Consider Live-Streaming Town Council Meeting

Background: Staff was asked to research options for live-streaming Town Council meetings.

We have two estimates to have a live-streaming solution for any activity in the courtroom:

- 1- Upgrading the current system to support this feature, will give us a little room to expand in the future. By upgrading the existing decoder and mixer with a higher-level one to support new channels for the live-streaming feature. The disadvantage is that recording and streaming will be down if the recording system is down for any reason. \$14,500
- 2- The second solution is a standalone system for live streaming over Wi-Fi only. It is linked to social media using its decoder and camera. It will be controlled using a local decoder and a web access portal. The disadvantage is that we will have to deal with two systems for the recording and live-streaming (the County and Hanahan are using it for council meeting live streaming): \$6,500

If Council wishes to live-stream Council Meetings, the first option is more expensive and will need someone managing the feed but offers the most functionality.

The second option is less expensive and easier to implement but offers limited functionality for the viewers.

Exhibits:

1. None

Funding: This is an unbudgeted expense and will need to be incorporated in a future budget adjustment which will reduce the General Fund balance.

City Council action requested: Decide if the Town should begin live-streaming Council meetings and if so which option should be used.

Staff recommendation: If Council wants to live-stream Council meetings approve implementing an upgrade to our current system for \$14,500.