



## City of Needles, California Request for Commission Action

CITY COUNCIL     BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES     Regular     Special

**Meeting Date:** June 2, 2026

**Title:** Authorize a Joint Use of Poles between the City of Needles and Citizen Utilities Rural Company DBA Frontier Communications

**Background:** The NPUA currently has active Joint Pole Agreements with (3) communication providers within the City of Needles. The Joint Pole Agreements allow the communications companies access to install communication services above ground rather than directly buried. The Joint Pole agreement is an agreement whereby each party has the right to attach to and occupy space on a power pole.

The original contract for Frontier is dated 1995 and is in the name of CP National Inc, DBA Alltel Inc. Frontier is currently operating under Citizens Utilities Rural Company, DBA Frontier, and a new Joint Pole Agreement is needed under the current name of the company, utilizing the joint pole attachments.

**Fiscal Impact:** Frontier has approximately 866 attachments at \$15.10 per pole. The annual fee is \$13,076.60 for 2025.

**Environmental Impact:** None

**Recommended Action:** Authorize a Joint Use of Poles between the City of Needles and Citizen Utilities Rural Company DBA Frontier Communications

**Submitted By:** Rainie Torrance, Utility Manager

**City Manager Approval:** Patrick J. Martinez

**Date:** 5/27/2026

**Other Department Approval (when required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_