

**CITY OF NOVI
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL
UNIFORM VIDEO SERVICE LOCAL FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
WITH DIRECTV LLC, AS SUCCESSION TO MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY,
D/B/A AT&T, MICHIGAN**

Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall of said City on February __, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT:

Councilmembers _____

ABSENT:

Councilmembers _____

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember _____ and supported by Councilmember _____.

WHEREAS, under Public Act 480 of 2006, the Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Act (the "Act"), on April 20, 2007, the City approved a Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement ("Video Franchise") with Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan ("AT&T"), for a period of ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2016, the City approved an application from AT&T for the renewal of the Video Franchise allowed by Section 3 of the Act, for a period of ten years through September 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, a video franchise agreement is fully transferrable to any successor in interest to the provider to which the franchise was initially granted. Approval of a transfer by a franchising municipality is not required. According to the letter from DIRECTV, in 2021, AT&T transferred its video franchise agreement with the City to DIRECTV.

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2026, DIRECTV requested a renewal of the video franchise agreement with the City. ("Renewed Agreement"). The Renewal Agreement has been reviewed and determined by the City Attorney to be complete under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the 5% of gross revenue annual video service provider fee in Section VI.A, and 2% of gross revenue PEG fee in Section VIII.A of the Renewed Agreement are the same as those fees under the City's Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreements with Comcast, Bright House Networks, LLC and Charter Communications, LLC, d/b/a Spectrum, as required by Section 6 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Council has accepted that the Renewal Agreement is complete and meets the technical requirements of the Act, understands that there has been no change in the law since 2007 when Video Franchise was required to be approved, that provides the City with denial or conditional approval authority, and therefore undertakes to adopt this Resolution approving the Renewed Agreement as required by the Act.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City finds that the Renewal Agreement is complete and meets the technical requirements of the Act, and solely for that reason, and not because the City agrees with or assents to any provisions of the Act or the Renewal Agreement, the City hereby approves and authorizes and directs the Mayor to sign the Renewal Agreement and its Attachment 1, as a renewal of the April 20, 2007, Franchise Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notwithstanding that the term of the 2016 Franchise Agreement has not expired, the term of the Renewal Agreement shall be ten (10) years from the date of this approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on page 9 of the Renewal Agreement, the "Date submitted" shall be completed by insertion of January 15, 2026, with the "Date completed and approved" to be completed by inserting _____, 2026, and that the following language shall be inserted below the "Date completed and approved;" line:

Determination of completeness and approval and authority for this Franchise Agreement to be signed was by adoption of a Resolution by the City Council at a meeting on _____, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by approving the Renewal Agreement, the City shall not be found to have waived its rights to challenge any provisions of the Act and/or any related provisions of the Renewal Agreement, with the City further reserving any and all rights stemming from any successful challenge to such provisions undertaken by any other local franchising entity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall provide a copy of this Resolution to DIRECTV by one of the methods for Notice in Section XV of the Franchise.

AYES:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held this ___th day of February, 2026, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk
City of Novi