

To: SandyNet Advisory Board
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Subject: New Council Goals

Background

On March 3, 2025, Sandy City Council adopted their 2025-27 goals. The following two goals were adopted for SandyNet:

- Complete, adopt and implement the SandyNet Master Plan to ensure the resiliency and sustainability of the utility, including staffing levels and space needs.
 - Develop clear criteria for determining when and where SandyNet expansion will occur.
- Advocate for development of a Clackamas County CBX master plan that incorporates Sandy's needs and priorities into the decision-making process.

Discussion

SandyNet Staff has already begun the process of getting the master plan adopted. At this time, the sub goal for clear criteria when expanding SandyNet has been discussed and workshopped internally. SandyNet Staff met with the Mayor and City Manager on March 13, 2025, to discuss details of the master plan addendum. Staff has identified a path forward that would include a generic map of service territories on the SandyNet website (and updated as future areas expand), and a procedural criterion for future expansion.

SandyNet staff has performed an internal analysis to determine areas of expansion that: consider existing fiber optic lines, future city expansion, and higher density and low-cost deployment areas. The criteria outlines priorities for selecting areas in a manner that should be sufficient for balancing SandyNet's costs, optimal community impact, and obtain optimal utilization from existing assets. From that criterion, SandyNet can easily identify and explain its rationale for its proposed areas of expansion.

It has been explained to SandyNet Staff that the sub goal of a clear criterion must be completed prior to adopting the master plan. While the master plan has not been adopted at this time, SandyNet Staff has been operating under it, anticipating no major changes to the plan itself, beyond the requested additions.

The second goal regarding Clackamas County and CBX has not been elaborated on at this time. Staff has taken some direction from the go by making sure that SandyNet attempts to reduce risk when it engages in projects or ventures with Clackamas County. County Staff have agreed to meet and discuss questions and strategic planning. Part of this goal extends outside of SandyNet Staff's discretion but calls for more open discussions with the County regarding its prospects and intentions.

Requested Action

At this time, no direction is needed from the SandyNet Advisory Board. Staff is happy to offer supporting information for any discussion that the board desires to have.