

Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: March 5, 2024

Subject: Resolution of Support for MACTA Efforts to Modernize Public, Education and

Government (PEG) Programming/Public Access Funding

The North Metro Telecommunications Commission is working with MACTA, the lobbying firm Goff Public, and the League of Minnesota Cities to champion a pair of bills that will be introduced early in the 2024 Minnesota State Legislative Session. The bills collectively seek to modernize PEG funding by enabling city franchising of broadband internet providers and through a 5% fee on gross revenue for digital media streamers. The NMTC will be reaching out to state legislators, encouraging them to support the bills. NMTC has requested that we approve the enclosed resolution and send it to our Legislators showing support for the bills.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.