

TO: City Council
FROM: Ann Cook, Communications Manager
DATE: December 6, 2022
SUBJECT: Operating Agreement with Thurston Community Media (TCMedia) Amendment #1

1) Recommended Action:

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Amendment to the Operating Agreement with TCMedia. substantially in the form presented, subject to the city attorney's approval.

2) Background:

The current 5-year contract for services with TCMedia and the City of Tumwater expires on December 31, 2022.

The City of Tumwater and neighboring jurisdictions (cities of Lacey and Olympia and Thurston County) issued a Request for Proposals for Public, Educational, and Government access channels. TCMedia was the only organization to submit a response.

The Amendment extends the only term of the current agreement for a six-month period during negotiations for a new operating agreement.

3) Policy Support:

Build a Community Recognized for Quality, Compassion, and Humanity

- Effectively engage the community in public notice and involvement activities
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement.
 - ☐ Amend and authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement.
 - ☐ Do not authorize signature.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

In accordance with the current operating agreement, the City provides operating support to TCMedia. and Revenue from Public, Educational and Governmental Access (PEG Access) received from Comcast of Washington under its Cable Television Franchise agreement with the City will be shared with TCMedia, consistent with past practice.

The current year contract amount for services is \$83,793, and \$10,000 in PEG fees.

6) Attachments:

A. TCMedia Operating Agreement Amendment #1

B. Thurston Community Media (TCMedia) 2018-2022 Operating Agreement