



## Common Council Agenda Item

Meeting Date:	April 21, 2026
Agenda Item:	Request by CESA 2 to allow fiber service connection by AT&T
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### BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

On April 9, 2026, Nicole Barlass of CESA 2, who have been a long-term tenant at the Innovation Center, forwarded a request to city staff to approve allowing connection by AT&T for fiber service to the Innovation Center. This was the first that city staff were made aware that CESA 2 was exploring this. CESA 2 already utilizes AT&T service through an older copper line. The fiber line will be utilized for phone service, the same as the current copper line.

Conceptually, city staff do not object to this work being done. The city's Chief Information Officer reviewed the AT&T design packet, and stated he does not have concerns about the project moving forward.

### PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

- The Innovation Center Advisory Panel reviewed the request from CESA 2 at the April 14, 2026 regular meeting, and recommended moving the request to council to allow connection of AT&T fiber service to the Innovation Center

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

- The city will not be incurring costs on this project. Cost of any work done will be covered by CESA 2.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Staff recommend approval by the Common Council of this request from CESA 2 to allow connection of AT&T fiber service to the Innovation Center

### ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

- N/A