To: City Council

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From: Tim Neubeck, IT Director

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Subject: TDS PEG Channel Update

Director of Public Works Marquardt and I have been working with TDS in their project to bring a TDS connection to City Hall for the purpose of the City broadcasting on a PEG channel on their network. Currently, TDS's connection is across the street from City Hall, and they are currently working with the City to bring the connection across the street into the building and terminating the connection. Discussions with TDS on this project are as recent as Monday, August 11th, and their construction teams are working with the City for whatever permitting is necessary. To my knowledge, no permits have been submitted as of this writing.

As some background, this connection was supposed to have been done in Q4 2024, but the City stopped receiving communication with TDS around this time regarding this project. Once this connection is established, the Media Services team will work with TDS engineers to test the broadcast signal over the period of up to several months. If this is based on the similar testing that Spectrum did in 2023 for that PEG channel, it may be 3 – 6 months until the City is broadcasting fully once the connection is made.