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City of Las Vegas

RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY HALL, 400 STEWART AVENUE
CITY MANAGER'S EIGHTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF LAS VEGAS INTERNET ADDRESS: <http://www.lasvegasnevada.gov>
APRIL 1, 2008
4:00 P.M.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW
3. Bill No. 2008-17 -- Establishes new regulations for cable television operators and other video services providers, consistent with NRS Chapter 711, as amended. Proposed by: Mark R. Vincent, Director of Finance and Business Services
4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the committee. No subject may be acted upon by the committee unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, come to the podium and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion on any single subject, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited
5. ADJOURNMENT

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND: Copies of the above Bills may be obtained through the Office of the City Clerk, Monday through Friday, 8.00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

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THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS.

City Clerk's Bulletin Board, City Hall Plaza, 2nd Floor Skybridge
Bulletin Board, City Hall Plaza, (next door to Metro Records)
Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North
Clark County Government Center, 500 S Grand Central Parkway
Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E Washington Avenue

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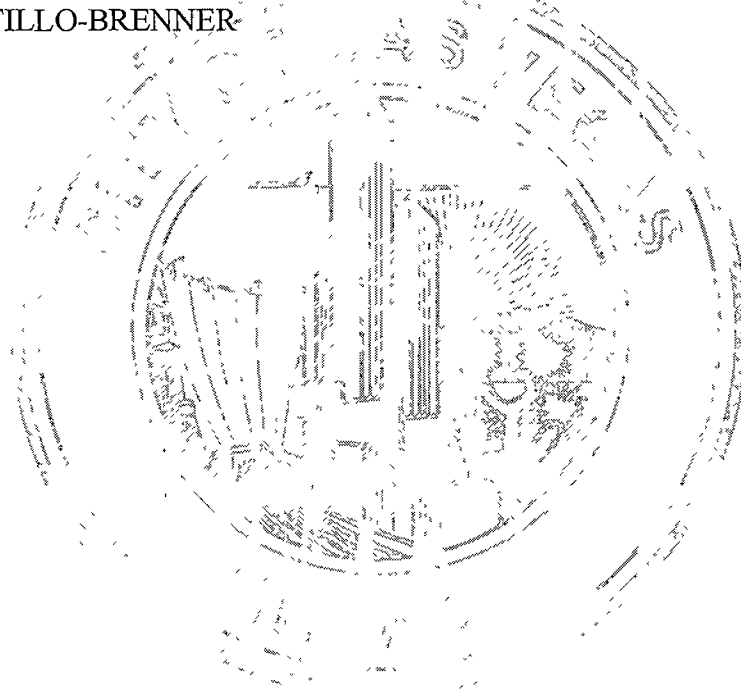
DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK
DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

SUBJECT:
CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:
COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS TARKANIAN and BARLOW

Also Present: CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY VAL STEED and DEPUTY CITY CLERK
GABRIELA PORTILLO-BRENNER



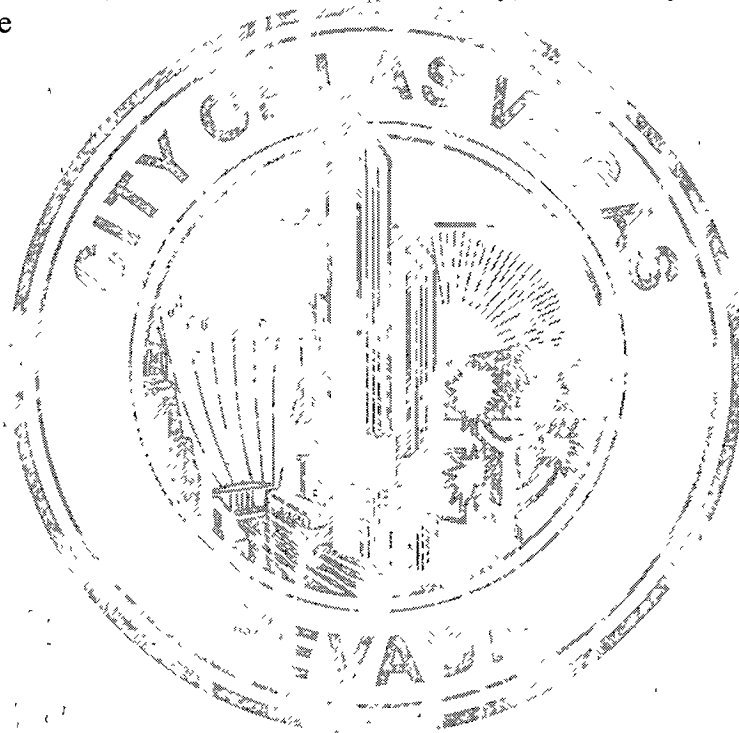
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DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK
DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

SUBJECT:
ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW

Minutes:

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE - Meeting noticed and posted at the following locations: City Clerk's Bulletin Board, City Hall Plaza, 2nd Floor Skybridge Bulletin Board, City Hall Plaza (next door to Metro Records), Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue



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DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY

DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JERBIC

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:

NEW BILL:

Bill No. 2008-17 – Establishes new regulations for cable television operators and other video services providers, consistent with NRS Chapter 711, as amended. Proposed by: Mark R. Vincent, Director of Finance and Business Services

Fiscal Impact

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This bill will repeal and replace Chapter 6.20 of the Municipal Code, relating to cable television services. The bill follows up legislation adopted by the Nevada Legislature during the last session reallocating regulatory authority over providers of such services. This bill will make the adjustments required by the new legislation, but enable the City, as permitted by that legislation, to continue to collect franchise fees and regulate the use of its right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Bill No. 2008-17
2. Business Impact Statement

Motion made by RICKI Y. BARLOW to Hold in Abeyance to 5/6/2008

Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

LOIS TARKANIAN, RICKI Y. BARLOW; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN declared the Public Hearing open.

MARK VINCENT, Director of Finance and Business Services, explained that this bill resulted from the recent legislative session, wherein changes were made regarding video service

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providers, including the opportunity to opt out of existing franchise agreements and file with the State of Nevada. In February 2008, the City received notice from Cox Communications that it would be exercising that option. Consequently, the City had to amend its ordinance as soon as possible in order to have the authority to continue to collect fees and to manage right-of-way requirements. Unfortunately, STEVE SCHORR, Vice President of Cox Communications, informed him that he would need more time to review the ordinance, but staff would like to move forward quickly to be able to collect fees and to deal with permitting for right-of-way.

MR. SCHORR stated that the market changes daily. The competitive environment was the impetus to make changes at the legislative level. It was not done with intent to harm local governments. Bills were drafted with the input of LCD and local governments. The changes protect local governments and ensure their ability to continue to collect franchise fees.

However, the proposed bill is more extensive than he thought it would be, and he would like the opportunity to follow Cox's process and have the company attorneys in Atlanta, Georgia, review it. He requested the bill be held in abeyance for possibly 30 days. He assured the Committee members that nothing would change the relationship Cox has established with local governments. Cox has been operational under the State since February 2008, and the City would be receiving payments for the first quarter, January-March, and would keep the same channel.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN expressed great satisfaction at hearing that the City would be able to keep KCLV Channel 2. MR. SCHORR pointed out that local broadcasters would eventually have to transition from analog to digital. The City has been guaranteed to remain on Channel 2 through 2010, and discussions will have to resume at the end of that period.

MR. VINCENT interjected and suggested holding the bill until the 5/6/2008 Recommending Committee meeting. MR. SCHORR expressed concurrence. CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY STEED clarified for MR. VINCENT that there would not be a problem holding the bill until 5/6/2008, because it has not yet been published.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW commented that he looks at KCLV Channel 2 as an investment for the public to have open government, and he looks forward to discussions about the forthcoming changes in 2010. MR. SCHORR stated that even broadcasters that have invested a lot of money will be transitioning to high definition in order to make improvements. Channel 8 currently broadcasts in high definition on 730, which does not make sense because there is no association in numbers. Cox is trying very hard to place the local channels in a number series that would be easier for the public. It is expected that Channel 8 will move to Channel 708, Channel 3 to Channel 703, etc.; and the best it could probably do is to move the City's Channel 2 to Channel 102, the County's Channel 4 to 104.

He noted that an agreement was made with the FCC to continue to broadcast local channels on the current channels through 2010. But it would be a mistake to keep local channels at their current position, because they would be alone and probably not have any viewership.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW conceded that that would make the change more seamless. MR. SCHORR noted that Cox has built a reputation on the partnerships it has developed with local

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governments. It also wants to keep the City's constituents happy, because they are Cox's customers.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN declared the Public Hearing closed.



1 **BILL NO. 2008-17**

2 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

3 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE AND OTHER
4 VIDEO SERVICE REGULATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

5 Sponsored by: Mark R. Vincent, Director
6 Department of Finance and Business Services

Summary: Establishes new regulations for cable
television operators and other video service
providers, consistent with NRS Chapter 711, as
amended.

7 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN
8 AS FOLLOWS:

9 SECTION 1: Title 6, Chapter 20, of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas,
10 Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby repealed.

11 SECTION 2: Title 6 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983
12 Edition, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter designed as Chapter 20, to consist of the
13 provisions set forth below as Sections 3 to 26, inclusive, of this Ordinance.

14 SECTION 3: In the construction of this Chapter, the following definitions shall apply,
15 unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

16 "Cable operator" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.024, as amended.

17 "Cable service" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.025, as amended.

18 "Cable system" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.026, as amended.

19 "Certificate of authority" and "certificate" have the same meanings as those terms are defined
20 in NRS 711.027, as amended.

21 "City" means the City of Las Vegas, a municipal corporation of the State of Nevada.

22 "City Council" means the legislative body of the City.

23 "City Manager" means the City Manager appointed by the City Council, or his or her designee.

24 "Code" means the official code of all of the City's ordinances of a general and permanent
25 character, as may be adopted and amended by the City Council.

26 "Community antenna television company" has the same meaning as that term is defined in
27 NRS 711.030, as amended.

28 "Community antenna television system" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS

1 711.040, as amended.

2 "Facility" or "facilities" means all antennae, poles, wires, cables, conduits, amplifiers,
3 instruments, appliances, fixtures and other personal property used by any authorized user of the
4 rights-of-way for the provision of authorized services within the City.

5 "Franchise fee" means the business license fee imposed by the City on a video service
6 provider for the privilege of providing video service.

7 "Gross revenue" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.066, as amended.

8 "Public Works Director" means the Director of the City's Public Works Department, or his
9 or her designee.

10 "Rights-of-way" means all present and future streets, avenues, highways, alleys, bridges and
11 public ways (excluding railroad rights-of-way) of the City within City limits.

12 "Service area" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.105, as amended.

13 "Subscriber" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.115, as amended.

14 "Telecommunication" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.125, as
15 amended.

16 "Telecommunication provider" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.131,
17 as amended.

18 "Telecommunication service" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.135,
19 as amended.

20 "Video service" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.141, as amended.

21 "Video service network" has the same meaning as that term is defined in NRS 711.145, as
22 amended.

23 "Video service provider" and "VSP" have the same meaning as the term "video service
24 provider" is defined in NRS 711.151, as amended.

25 SECTION 4: Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, words that are not
26 defined in this chapter shall be given the meanings set forth in NRS Chapter 711, as amended, or in
27 Title 47 of the United States Code, as amended, and if not defined therein, their common and ordinary
28 meanings.

1 SECTION 5: A VSP shall at all times comply with all applicable Federal, State and
2 local laws, rules and regulations concerning the provision of video service, including all applicable
3 Federal Communications Commission, Nevada Public Utilities Commission and Nevada Secretary
4 of State rules, regulations and orders.

5 SECTION 6: It is unlawful for any VSP to construct or operate a video service
6 network within the City or to provide video service to subscribers within the City unless the VSP is
7 a holder of a certificate of authority issued by the Nevada Secretary of State that includes service
8 areas within the City.

9 SECTION 7: A VSP that provides telecommunication service within the City,
10 pursuant to the VSP's certificate of authority and over the VSP's video service network, shall not be
11 required to obtain a separate franchise agreement from the City for such telecommunication service.

12 SECTION 8: (A) If a VSP that was not an incumbent cable operator prior to July
13 1, 2007 intends to construct facilities within the City pursuant to a certificate of authority, the VSP
14 shall, until it has constructed all the facilities intended for the City, submit to the City a semiannual
15 report which describes the number of service locations within the City that are capable of receiving
16 video service from the VSP. The VSP shall submit such report no later than the tenth business day
17 in January and July of each year. The information contained in such report shall not be deemed to be
18 a public record and shall not be disclosed to any person other than an officer or employee of the City
19 unless the VSP consents to the disclosure or unless the disclosure is otherwise required by NRS
20 711.600, as amended.

21 (B) All other information and reports submitted to the City pursuant to this
22 Chapter that are not mentioned in Subsection (A) of this Section shall be subject to public inspection
23 and copying under Nevada's Public Records Law, NRS Chapter 239, as amended.

24 SECTION 9: (A) At all times during which a VSP is authorized to provide video
25 service within the City pursuant to a certificate of authority, the VSP shall maintain a valid unexpired
26 business license specific to its video service business.

27 (B) At all times during which a VSP provides telecommunication service within
28 the City, the VSP shall maintain a valid unexpired business license specific to its telecommunication

1 business as provided in Chapter 6.67 of this Code. The VSP shall pay all business license fees due
2 from its telecommunication service business separately from the payment of the business license
3 fees due from its video service business.

4 (C) In addition to the business licenses required by Subsections (A) and (B) of this
5 Section, a VSP shall at all times maintain all other business licenses specific to any of the VSP's
6 business activities other than those of providing video service and telecommunication service, as
7 such other business activities are specified in this Code. The VSP shall pay all license fees due
8 from such other businesses separately from the payment of fees due from its video service and
9 telecommunication service businesses.

10 (D) In addition to payment of the fees specified in Subsections (A) through (C) of
11 this Section, a VSP shall pay all lawful property taxes, ad valorem taxes and local improvement
12 district assessments, and all exactions, fees and charges that are generally applicable during the
13 VSP's real property development or use as required by this Code.

14 (E) Acceptance by the City of any payment due under this Section shall not be
15 deemed to be a waiver by the City of any breach of the VSP's obligations under its certificate of
16 authority or applicable law, and such acceptance shall not preclude the City from later establishing
17 that a larger amount was actually due or from collecting such balance.

18 SECTION 10: (A) A VSP shall pay, on a quarterly basis, a franchise fee of five
19 percent of the VSP's gross revenue from its video service subscribers within the City. Each payment
20 shall be for the preceding calendar quarter, shall be due no later than the fifteenth day of February,
21 May, August and November, and shall be applied to the VSP's video service business license fee.

22 (B) A VSP shall submit a written report with each quarterly payment of franchise
23 fees providing in reasonable detail a summary of its revenue categories for that quarter and how the
24 franchise fees were calculated.

25 (C) If a VSP fails to pay a franchise fee as required by this Section, the VSP shall
26 pay a penalty of two percent per month (or any portion thereof) of the delinquent amount until such
27 time as payment in full is received by the City.

28 (D) A VSP may pass the franchise fee through to its subscribers within the City

1 based on the gross revenue received from each such subscriber and may designate the amount of the
2 franchise fee as a separate line item on the subscriber's bill.

3 SECTION 11: (A) The City may, upon forty-five days' written notice to a VSP,
4 review and audit the business records of a VSP to ensure payment of all franchise fees due pursuant
5 to the VSP's certificate of authority and this Chapter.

6 (B) A VSP shall keep complete and accurate business records concerning the
7 franchise fees due pursuant to its certificate of authority for a period of at least four years or, if such
8 period is greater, until such time as the City has completed any pending audit through the payment of
9 all fees determined by the City to be due or through the resolution of any disputed amounts pursuant
10 to NRS 711.680, as amended. The City may review and audit all records concerning the VSP's
11 revenue that may reasonably be considered by the City to be subject to a franchise fee. The VSP shall
12 make the requested records available to the City for purposes of conducting its review and audit within
13 forty-five days after receiving the City's written request for such books and records.

14 (C) If the City determines that any amounts are due as a result of a review and audit
15 pursuant to this Section, it shall give the VSP written notice of the amounts determined to be due
16 and the basis for determining such amounts were due. The VSP shall pay all such amounts in full
17 within thirty days following receipt of the City's notification, subject to the VSP's rights to contest
18 the City's determination pursuant to NRS 711.680, as amended.

19 (D) The City and the VSP shall each pay its own costs and fees relating to a
20 review and audit of the VSP pursuant to this Section; provided that if the VSP elects to have the City
21 review and audit the requested business records at a location outside the City, the VSP shall pay
22 the per diem allowances and travel expenses incurred by the City to perform the review and audit at
23 that location.

24 SECTION 12. The requirements set forth in Sections 13 through 24 of this Ordinance
25 shall be construed and applied by the City in a competitively neutral manner that does not discriminate
26 among VSP's or as between VSP's and any other users of the rights-of-way for the construction and
27 operation of facilities.

28 SECTION 13: A VSP shall install all of its facilities in the rights-of-way in a manner

1 consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”), including any reconstruction or
2 modification of existing facilities. Following notice by the City of an ADA violation or construction
3 problem caused directly or indirectly by a VSP, the VSP shall, within thirty days or such other time
4 as the Public Works Director reasonably determines to be appropriate, remedy the ADA violation or
5 problem.

6 SECTION 14: (A) The City may require a VSP to obtain a construction,
7 encroachment or occupancy permit for any work in the rights-of-way, may inspect any construction,
8 installation, maintenance or repair work performed in the rights-of-way, and may charge a VSP a
9 fee to issue such permit or to perform such inspection. The City shall act upon any request by a VSP
10 for a permit no later than ten business days after the date on which the request is made.

11 (B) If there is an emergency requiring immediate response work or repair in, on,
12 under or over any rights-of-way, a VSP may begin such work or repair without first obtaining a
13 permit; provided that the VSP shall notify the Public Works Director as promptly as is reasonably
14 possible after learning of the need for the emergency work, shall subsequently obtain any permit
15 that otherwise would have been required for non-emergency work, shall pay all applicable fees for
16 such permit, and shall restrict any work performed in the rights-of-way prior to obtaining a permit to
17 emergency work and repairs.

18 (C) The amount of any permit fee shall not exceed the actual costs incurred by the
19 City in administering the process of issuing such permits and performing such inspections.

20 SECTION 15: Before a VSP may conduct any underground work involving
21 excavation, new construction or major relocation work in the rights-of-way, the VSP shall:

22 (A) Notify the City and comply with any special conditions relating to location,
23 scheduling, coordination and public safety;

24 (B) Apply for and obtain a permit from the Public Works Director;

25 (C) Submit and obtain approval of a traffic barricade plan,

26 (D) File maps and drawings showing the location of any construction or extension
27 of its facilities in the rights-of-way; for conduit, the maps and drawings shall show the size, location,
28 burial depth and configuration of the conduit, the trench backfill material and width, and the

1 method of pavement restoration;

2 (E) Participate in the "Call Before You Dig" program set forth in NRS Chapter 455,
3 as amended, with regard to giving and receiving notice of the location of facilities and excavations;

4 (F) Pay all permit fees; and

5 (G) Provide security and proof of insurance as required by this Chapter.

6 SECTION 16: (A) In using the rights-of-way for its facilities, a VSP shall comply
7 with the following requirements:

8 (1) All construction work in the rights-of-way performed by or on behalf
9 of a VSP shall be performed in a safe manner subject to the approval of the Public Works Director
10 and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and permitting requirements related
11 to public safety or the use of the rights-of-way, including but not limited to all standards specified in
12 Title 13 of this Code. When the public improvement designs prepared by a VSP are more detailed
13 than, or not covered by, the improvement standards adopted in Title 13 of this Code, plans and
14 specifications for construction, reconstruction, installations and repairs of public improvements
15 shall be sealed by a Nevada registered professional engineer.

16 (2) The VSP shall not place any facilities on, over or within the median
17 portion of any boulevard or parkway without the prior written consent of the Public Works Director.

18 (3) The VSP shall not place any of its above-ground facilities in any
19 sidewalk area without the prior written consent of the Public Works Director.

20 (4) A VSP shall not attach any of its facilities to any City-owned facilities
21 unless the VSP has entered into a written agreement with the City for the rights of attachment and use.

22 (5) The City may require through any permitting process that any
23 installations, excavations and restorations affecting street or lane closures shall, as often as practicable,
24 be performed after 6:30 p.m. and before 6:00 a.m. No such work shall be performed from 7:00 a.m.
25 to 9:00 a.m. or from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., except for emergency work or repairs performed in
26 accordance with Section 14 of this Ordinance.

27 (6) The City may assist in the coordination and scheduling of the VSP's
28 projects when such projects may be reasonably coordinated with the placement of any other

1 rights-of-way user's facilities; provided that, subject to the City's permitting processes, a VSP may
2 otherwise control the scheduling of its projects consistent with this Chapter.

3 (7) Whenever possible, the VSP shall use trenchless technology in the
4 placement of its facilities. Except in an emergency as specified in Section 14 of this Ordinance, the
5 VSP shall, not less than seven working days prior to the commencement of any work by the VSP that
6 involves excavation in the rights-of-way, notify the Public Works Director and any appropriate utility
7 coordinating committee for purposes of utility location. Minimum notice to the City shall be by
8 telephone communication or in person prior to any work, followed by written notice as soon as
9 practical. The VSP shall provide advance notice so as not to disrupt services of the City or any other
10 person using the rights-of-way and to allow the City to place any inspector it may deem necessary at
11 the site of the project.

12 (B) A VSP shall at all times take all reasonable precautions to minimize
13 interruption to traffic flow, damage to property, or creation of a hazardous condition.

14 (C) After an excavation is made and after any excavation work is completed, a VSP
15 shall, as soon as practicable but not later than one day, remove all surplus material.

16 (D) A VSP shall reconstruct, replace or restore any landscaping, street or alley, or
17 any water, sewer, sanitary sewer, storm drainage, traffic signal or street light facilities, or any other
18 facility of the City disturbed by the VSP, within thirty days of written notice by the City, to a condition
19 acceptable to the Public Works Director, consistent with specifications, requirements and regulations
20 of the City in effect at the time of such restoration. Any such improvements so disturbed by the VSP
21 shall be reconstructed, replaced or restored only under the supervision of City personnel. All costs
22 incurred in surplus material removal and restoration, whether done with the City's work forces and
23 equipment or otherwise, shall be paid by the VSP, including the cost of any inspectors the City may
24 assign to the project.

25 SECTION 17: (A) All of a VSP's facilities shall be placed so that they do not
26 interfere with the use of the rights-of-way by the City and shall only be placed after approval of the
27 location by the Public Works Director, in accordance with any specifications adopted by the City
28 governing the location of facilities.

1 (B) Whenever the City excavates or performs any work in the rights-of-way and
2 such excavation or work may disturb but not require the removal or relocation of a VSP's facilities,
3 the City shall notify the VSP sufficiently in advance of the excavation or work to enable the VSP to
4 take such measures as it may deem necessary to protect its facilities from damage and inconvenience,
5 or from injury or damage to the public or the rights-of-way. If the VSP cannot take such measures,
6 the VSP shall be required to relocate its facilities in accordance with this Section, in which case, the
7 VSP shall, upon request, furnish field markings to the City showing the location of all of its facilities
8 in the area involved in such proposed excavation or work.

9 (C) The City reserves all rights to:

10 (1) Construct, install, maintain and operate any public improvement, work
11 or facility, to do any work that the City may deem desirable on, over or under the rights-of-way, and
12 to construct, install, maintain and operate any public improvement, work or facility;

13 (2) Vacate, alter or close any rights-of-way; and

14 (3) Require the removal or relocation of a VSP's facilities in the
15 rights-of-way as may reasonably be required after notice to the VSP, including but not limited to City
16 projects for the installation of landscaping, or water, sanitary sewer, storm drainage, traffic signal or
17 street light facilities, or any road construction or reconstruction.

18 (D) A VSP shall remove and relocate its facilities within sixty days following
19 written notice from the City to do so. Prior to any such relocation, the City shall provide for a
20 temporary suitable location for the relocated facilities sufficient for the VSP to maintain service.

21 (E) Subject to Subsection (F) of this Section, all costs directly attributable to the
22 removal or relocation of a VSP's facilities shall be paid by the VSP.

23 (F) The City may require a VSP to relocate its facilities to accommodate another
24 rights-of-way user, if the VSP's and other user's facilities can both be located in the rights-of-way
25 without interfering with the VSP's operations, subject to the following:

26 (1) The other user shall pay the VSP the costs of any relocation occasioned
27 by such user.

28 (2) The VSP shall remove and relocate its facilities upon receipt of payment

1 of the VSP's estimated costs from the other user.

2 (3) If the VSP's estimated costs do not cover all of the VSP's final costs
3 of the removal or relocation, the VSP shall bill the other user for the balance of the costs following
4 completion of the work benefiting the other user, and the other user shall pay the VSP any balance
5 owed within thirty days of receipt of the billing statement; and

6 (4) If the VSP's estimated costs exceed the VSP's final costs of the removal
7 or relocation, the VSP shall refund any overpayment to the other user within thirty days after
8 completion of the work benefiting the other user.

9 (G) When the City proposes to improve the rights-of-way, including but not limited
10 to work related to streets, sidewalks, landscaping, traffic signalization, street lights, water lines, storm
11 drainage or sanitary sewers, and such improvements include excavation and the placement of
12 underground utilities vaults and conduit sufficient for a VSP's facilities by and at the expense of
13 someone other than the VSP, then upon notification by the City to the VSP and such reasonable
14 scheduling as may be required by the City, the VSP shall replace its then-existing overhead facilities
15 within the affected rights-of-way with underground facilities within such area. The VSP shall pay all
16 costs of such underground placement. The conversion from overhead to underground shall be
17 conditioned upon the City requiring the undergrounding in the area in which both the existing and new
18 facilities are and will be located and on the City requiring all existing overhead communication and
19 utility facilities in such area to be removed.

20 (H) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require a VSP to place its facilities
21 in ducts or conduits owned or leased by the City.

22 SECTION 18: A VSP shall not acquire any vested right or interest in any particular
23 rights-of-way location for any of its facilities constructed, operated or maintained in any existing or
24 proposed rights-of-way, even though such location was approved by the City; provided that whenever
25 the City vacates any rights-of-way for the convenience or benefit of any person, the City shall preserve
26 a VSP's rights for any legally established, existing facilities of the VSP in such vacated portion of the
27 rights-of-way.

28 SECTION 19: (A) Whenever it becomes necessary to temporarily rearrange,

1 remove, lower or raise any facilities of a VSP to permit the passage of any building, machinery or
2 other object, the VSP shall perform such rearrangement, removal, lowering or raising upon the receipt
3 of written notice from the person desiring to move such building, machinery or object. The written
4 notice shall detail the route of movement of the building, machinery or object. All costs incurred by
5 the VSP in making such rearrangement, removal, lowering or raising of its facilities shall be borne by
6 the person seeking such rearrangement, removal, lowering or raising, unless the facilities have been
7 placed or maintained in violation of any Federal, State or local law, rule or regulation and thereby
8 interferes with the movement of the building, machinery or object, provided that under no
9 circumstances shall the City be responsible for the VSP's costs incurred in complying with this
10 Section.

11 (B) Whenever, in case of an emergency, it becomes necessary to remove any of a
12 VSP's facilities, the City shall not be liable to the VSP for any charge, loss, damage, restoration cost
13 or repair resulting from the emergency removal.

14 SECTION 20: A VSP shall maintain on file maps and operational data pertaining to
15 its operations in the rights-of-way, which the City may inspect at any time upon reasonable notice to
16 the VSP during normal business hours. Upon request by the City, the VSP shall furnish to the Public
17 Works Director, as soon as practical and without charge, current maps either in a hard-copy printed
18 form or in the City's geographical information systems format or compatible data base, showing the
19 location and dimension of any existing and proposed facilities, but not other proprietary information,
20 used in operating the VSP's facilities in the rights-of-way.

21 SECTION 21: Except in the case of emergency pursuant to Section 14 of this
22 Ordinance, a VSP that is the initiator of a project in the rights-of-way along which residential yards
23 are located and maintained shall give written notification to residents who are located adjacent to the
24 proposed project at least two days prior to the date on which the VSP proposes to commence
25 construction. Such notice shall be by personal delivery, by posted notice on the street where the
26 proposed project is scheduled to be built (which notice is to be large enough to be clearly read by
27 passing motorists), by door hanger or by mail, with a description of the proposed project, the name
28 of the VSP, and a telephone number at which the VSP can be reached twenty-four hours per day.

1 SECTION 22: (A) As security for performance of its rights-of-way obligations
2 under this Chapter, a VSP shall, at all times during which it holds a certificate of authority permitting
3 the VSP to provide video service within the City, provide security in the form of a letter of credit,
4 performance bond or cash deposit, delivered to the Director of the Department of Finance and
5 Business Services, in the amount of \$100,000.

6 (B) Any bond provided pursuant to this Section shall.

7 (1) In addition to all other costs, provide for payment of reasonable
8 attorney's fees;

9 (2) Be issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the State
10 of Nevada and listed in Department Circular 570 of the U.S. Department of the Treasury Fiscal
11 Service (Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and
12 as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies, Current Revision);

13 (3) Require the attorney-in-fact who executes the bond on behalf of the
14 surety to affix thereto a certified and current copy of his or her power of attorney; and

15 (4) Guarantee the performance of all of the VSP's rights-of-way obligations
16 under its certificate of authority and all applicable laws.

17 (C) The following procedures shall apply to drawing on the security required in this
18 Section:

19 (1) If a VSP fails to make timely payment of any amount due to the City,
20 or fails to compensate the City within thirty days of written notification that such amount is due for
21 any damages, costs or expenses the City suffers or incurs by reason of any act or omission of the VSP,
22 or fails after thirty days' written notice to comply with any provision of its certificate or this Code that
23 can be remedied by drawing on the security, the City may withdraw the amount thereof, with
24 applicable interest and penalties, from the security.

25 (2) Within three days of a withdrawal from the security, the City shall
26 personally deliver or send by certified mail written notification to the VSP of the amount, date and
27 purpose of such withdrawal.

28 (3) If at the time of a withdrawal from the security by the City, the amounts

1 available are insufficient to provide the total payment towards which the withdrawal is directed, the
2 balance of such payment shall continue as the obligation of the VSP to the City until it is paid.

3 (4) No later than thirty days after the delivery or mailing of notification to
4 the VSP of a withdrawal from the security, the VSP shall restore the security to the total amount
5 specified in Subsection (A) of this Section

6 (D) Recovery by the City of any amount from the security required by this Section
7 does not limit a VSP's obligation to provide insurance or to indemnify the City as otherwise required
8 by this Chapter.

9 SECTION 23: (A) A VSP shall at all times during which it holds a certificate of
10 authority permitting it to provide video service within the City maintain in full force and effect, at its
11 own cost, a general comprehensive liability insurance policy for the protection of the City, which
12 shall:

13 (1) Be issued by an insurance company approved by the City and in a form
14 satisfactory to the City Attorney;

15 (2) Name the City and its elected and appointed officers, boards,
16 commissions, agents and employees as additional insureds;

17 (3) Insure against liability for loss or damage for personal injury, death and
18 property damage occasioned by the VSP's operations pursuant to its certificate of authority, with
19 minimum limits of one million dollars for personal injury or death of any one person and three million
20 dollars for personal injury or death of two or more persons in any one occurrence, and five hundred
21 thousand dollars for damage to property for any one occurrence; and

22 (4) Contain a provision that a written notice of cancellation of or reduction
23 in coverage shall be delivered to the City at least thirty days in advance of the effective date thereof.

24 (B) Recovery of any amount by the City from the insurance required by this Section
25 does not limit a VSP's obligation to provide security or to indemnify the City as otherwise required
26 by this Chapter.

27 SECTION 24: (A) A VSP shall defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless from
28 and against all claims for damages to persons or property in any way related, directly or indirectly, to

1 the construction, maintenance and operation of its facilities or its use of the rights-of-way, when or
2 to the extent injury or damage is caused or alleged to be caused, wholly or in part, by any act,
3 omission, negligence or misconduct of the VSP or any of the VSP's contractors, subcontractors,
4 officers, agents or employees, or by any person for whose act, omission, negligence or misconduct the
5 VSP is by law responsible. This Section is intended to require the VSP to indemnify the City to the
6 maximum extent allowed by law for claims related to the VSP's use of the rights-of-way and is not
7 intended to create liability for the benefit of any party other than the City.

8 (B) If any claim is made against the City that is covered by Subsection (A) of this
9 Section, and if a court of competent jurisdiction shall adjudge by final decree that the City is liable
10 therefor, the VSP shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from any such liability, including any
11 court costs, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the City in defense thereof and
12 incurred at any stage of the proceedings.

13 (C) Upon commencement of any suit, proceeding at law or in equity against the City
14 relating to any matter covered by Subsection (A) of this Section, the City shall give the VSP prompt
15 notice of such suit or proceeding; whereupon the VSP shall provide a defense to such suit, including
16 any appellate proceedings brought in connection therewith, and pay any settlement, costs and
17 judgments that may be rendered against the City by reason of such suit.

18 (D) If the VSP fails to comply with its obligations under Subsection (C) of this
19 Section, after reasonable notice to the VSP by the City, the City shall have the right to defend any
20 claims against it and, in addition to being reimbursed for any settlement or judgment that may be
21 rendered against the City, the VSP shall reimburse the City's reasonable attorney's fees and all
22 expenses incurred by the City by reason of undertaking the defense of such suit, regardless of whether
23 such suit is successfully defended or settled, or fully adjudicated. If the City is required to defend any
24 such suit because of the VSP's failure to do so, the City shall have the right to enter into any
25 settlement as the City may deem in its best interest, without the prior approval of the VSP.

26 SECTION 25: Each VSP shall provide channel capacity for public, educational and
27 governmental ("PEG") access programming on its video service network, in accordance with the
28 requirements in NRS 711.700 through NRS 711.820, as amended. A VSP shall be deemed, pursuant

1 to this Section and NRS 711.800, as amended, to have received, on the date on which the VSP first
2 provides video service to any subscriber in the City, the City's request for the VSP to provide the same
3 PEG channel capacity that any existing VSP in the City is already providing.

4 SECTION 26: A VSP shall comply with all customer service requirements for VSP's
5 specified in NRS 711.620, as amended.

6 SECTION 27. Section 1 of this Ordinance shall become effective as of 12:01 a.m. the
7 day after publications of this Ordinance by title.

8 SECTION 28: Sections 2 through 26, inclusive, of this Ordinance shall become
9 effective as of 12:02 a.m. on the day after publication of this Ordinance by title.

10 SECTION 29: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or
11 phrase in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or
12 ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or
13 effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the
14 City of Las Vegas hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision,
15 paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections,
16 subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional,
17 invalid or ineffective.

18 SECTION 30: Whenever in this ordinance any act is prohibited or is made or declared
19 to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in this ordinance the doing of any act is
20 required or the failure to do any act is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a
21 misdemeanor, the doing of such prohibited act or the failure to do any such required act shall
22 constitute a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than
23 \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for a term of not more than six months, or by any combination of such
24 fine and imprisonment. Any day of any violation of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

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SECTION 31: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases, sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2008.

APPROVED:

By _____
OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Val Steel 3-5-08
Date

1 The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the
2 ____ day of _____, 2008, and referred to the following committee composed of
3 _____ and _____ for recommendation;
4 thereafter the said committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the ____ day of
5 _____, 2008, which was a _____ meeting of said Council; that at said
6 _____ meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the City Council
7 as first introduced and adopted by the following vote:

8 VOTING "AYE": _____

9 VOTING "NAY": _____

10 ABSENT: _____

11 APPROVED:

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13 By _____
14 OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

15 ATTEST:

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17 BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, CMC
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**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT
BILL NO. 2008-17**

(Establishes new regulations for cable television operators and other video services providers, consistent with NRS Chapter 711, as amended)

This business impact statement was prepared pursuant to NRS 237.090 to address the impact of a proposed ordinance, Bill No. 2008-17, that would establish new regulations for cable television operators and other video services providers, consistent with NRS Chapter 711, as amended.

1. The following constitutes a description of the number of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their responses and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Comments not solicited because the impacts on businesses are similar or less than the impacts of the previous ordinance

2. The estimated economic effect of the proposed rule on businesses, including, without limitation, both adverse and beneficial effects, and both direct and indirect effects:

Adverse effects:

None beyond provisions that have been in effect already

Beneficial effects:

Complies with State law

Direct effects:

None beyond provisions that have been in effect already

Indirect effects:

Complies with State law

3. The following constitutes a description of the methods the local government considered to reduce the impact of the proposed rule on businesses and a statement regarding whether any, and if so which, of these methods were used:

None considered because the impacts on businesses are similar or less than the impacts of previous ordinance

4. The governing body estimates the annual cost to the local government for enforcement of the proposed rule is:

No additional cost

5. If the proposed rule provides for a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount expected to be collected is:

Fees are consistent with those that have been in effect already

6. If the proposed rule provides for a new fee or increases an existing fee, the money generated by the new fee or increase in existing fee will be used by the local government to:

Not applicable

7. If the proposed rule includes provisions that duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, the following explains when such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary:

Not applicable

Date: March 5, 2008

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: APRIL 1, 2008

DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK
DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

SUBJECT:

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the committee. No subject may be acted upon by the committee unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, come to the podium and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion on any single subject, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited

Minutes:
None.



AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: APRIL 1, 2008

DEPARTMENT: CITY CLERK

DIRECTOR: BEVERLY K. BRIDGES

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:
ADJOURNMENT

Minutes

The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m

Respectfully submitted:



Gabriela Portillo-Brenner, Deputy City Clerk-II

April 10, 2008

