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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 29, 1985

REVIEW OF REPORT
PREPARED BY CTIC
ASSOCIATES REGARD-
ING PENDING RE-
NEGOTIATIONS OF
THE CABLE
FRANCHISE

City Manager Peterson reminded the Council that the City's franchise with King Videocable Company for cable television services within the City limits will expire in 1988. The company has already filed with the City Council, a notice of request for renewal of the franchise for another 20 year period commencing that year.

In anticipation of this, the City has contracted with the firm of CTIC Associates to prepare a report which reviews the performance of King Videocable Company and examines regulatory options of the City pertaining to cable television and the request for franchise renewal. The subject report was distributed to the Council for its review and perusal. Mr. Harold Horn, of CTIC Associates was in attendance and reviewed the report in depth.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding the subject with questions being directed to Staff and to Mr. Horn. Representatives of the King Videocable Company were also in the audience and responded to questions as were posed by the Council.

Staff was requested to prepare a time-line chart regarding the re-negotiation process for Council review, with the idea that an agreement could be reached within a three to six month time frame, and that the existing system rebuild could be completed within a two year period.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE

NO.

FROM: THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

May 23, 1985

SUBJECT: CABLE TELEVISION REPORT

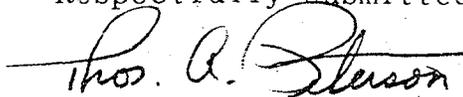
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None required. Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: As the City Council is aware, the City's franchise to King Videocable Company for cable television services within the City limits will expire in 1988. The company has already filed with the City Council, a notice of request for renewal of the franchise for another 20 year period commencing that year.

In anticipation of this, the City has contracted with the firm of CTIC Associates to prepare a report which reviews the performance of King Videocable Company and examines regulatory options of the City pertaining to cable television and the request for franchise renewal. A copy of this report has been distributed to each Councilmember. A copy has also been given to the local manager of King Videocable Company.

Mr. Harold Horn, of CTIC Associates will be in attendance at Wednesday night's meeting to present this report. He estimates his presentation will be one and one-half to two hours in length. King Videocable Company has been advised of the meeting date and time and invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas A. Peterson
City Manager

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