

City of Ann Arbor
CABLE COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

May 4, 2016
Regular Session

MINUTES

Call To Order and Roll Call: Chair R. Sutton called the Cable Commission Regular Session to order at 3:01 p.m. Upon roll call, the following were present: R. Sutton, T. Ramirez, D. Chappell, J. Torgersen, G. McDonald and L. Wondrash. Not in attendance were B. Clarke and J. Eaton.

Approval of Agenda: Chair R. Sutton asked for approval of the agenda. Motion to approve was made by D. Chappell and seconded by T. Ramirez.

Approval of Minutes: Chair R. Sutton asked for approval of the Nov. , 2015 Regular Session minutes. Motion to approve was made by D. Chappell and seconded by T. Ramirez.

Public Comment: Commission on Disability Issues member West Resendes explained the need for a recent City Council resolution that directed the City Administrator and City Attorney to develop a draft ordinance to require activation of closed captioning in places of public accommodation. He also explained the need from those in the disabled community to have access to closed captioning of City Council and other public meetings provided on CTN.

CTN Report: G. McDonald reviewed highlights from CTN February – April activity report.

Regular Business:

- a. D. Chappell proposed a resolution stating the Cable Communication Commission would support the adoption of an ordinance that requires activation of closed captioning in places of public accommodation. T. Ramirez seconded and the motion passed. In addition, West Resendes would work with the Commission on Disability Issues to indentify the prioritization of City Council and Boards and Commissions that should be closed captioned and bring the list back to the Cable Commission for further discussion and funding exploration at the August meeting. L. Wondrash stated she believed CTN could accommodate the closed captioning of City Council meetings within the FY17 budget, but funding would need to be identified for the addition of other Boards and Commissions.
- b. J. Torgersen proposed a resolution requesting CTN staff investigate the costs and benefits of low-powered TV transmission of CTN channels. D. Chappell seconded and the motion passed.

Commission/Staff Comments:

None

Adjournment: D. Chappell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by T. Ramirez. R. Sutton closed the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by: L. Wondrash
Date Approved: Aug. 3, 2016