



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: December 18, 2017

Re: Pole Attachment License Agreement with MO Network Utility Transport, LLC.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a pole attachment license agreement with MO Network Utility Transport, LLC. The proposed annual fee for each pole attachment is five hundred and forty dollars (\$540.00) for the first five (5) year term. The annual fee will increase by twenty percent (20%) upon the commencement of each five (5) year renewal term.

Discussion

MO Network Utility Transport, LLC is seeking an agreement with the City to install and maintain communications facilities, distributed antenna systems and associated wireless equipment, on City poles to provide wireless communication services. Poles will include those that are used for the distribution of electricity, lighting and/or communications service and are capable of supporting attachments. MO Network Utility Transport facilities will be installed and maintained in accordance with the requirements and specifications of the City and must comply with all applicable standards. MO Network Utility Transport will be responsible for the installation and maintenance of its communication facilities and the City will be responsible for the on-going maintenance of its poles.

Before making any attachments to any poles, MO Network Utility Transport will submit an application and receive a permit from the City with respect to each pole. The application will include detailed plans for the proposed attachments, including a description of any necessary improvements to accommodate the attachments. Applications will be received and reviewed by the electric utility. The City may amend the application provided that any such changes are not inconsistent with the terms of the agreement and are applied to all attaching entities.

Staff believes that an agreement with MO Network Utility Transport is mutually beneficial, as the terms and conditions regarding the pole attachments have been developed jointly and described in the agreement. The compensation level, permitting process and turnaround times as proposed in this agreement are more favorable to the City than previously proposed state legislation. The proposed annual fee for each pole attachment is five hundred and forty dollars (\$540.00) for the first five (5) year term. The annual fee will increase by twenty percent (20%) upon the commencement of each five (5) year renewal term.



Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The proposed annual fee for each pole attachment is five hundred and forty dollars (\$540.00) for the first five (5) year term.

Long-Term Impact: The annual fee will increase by twenty percent (20%) upon the commencement of each five (5) year renewal term.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
None	None

Suggested Council Action

Authorize City Manager to execute a pole attachment license agreement with MO Network Utility Transport, LLC.