



Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 4, 2022

Re: Broadband Business Planning Task Force Report and Recommendations

Executive Summary

The Broadband Business Planning Task Force has completed the attached report with recommendations for Council's consideration.

Discussion

The Broadband Business Planning Task Force was created by Resolution 49-19 on April 14, 2019. The resolution includes the following five purposes of the task force:

- Review and evaluate current and possible future state and federal regulations governing broadband communications for municipalities.
- Review Columbia's existing fiber optic system and service offerings to customers.
- Review the current offers by incumbent service providers and any opportunities for public/private partnerships.
- Evaluate the feasibility of additional fiber optic deployment by the City.
- If fiber optic deployment is deemed feasible, formulate and recommend a Broadband Business Plan for the community.

The Task Force is submitting the attached report with recommendations for Council's consideration.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable 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
10/05/2020	R125-20A Amending Resolution No. 49-19 which established the



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04/01/2019	Broadband Business Planning Task Force to add attendance requirements.
06/04/2018	R49-19 Establishing a Broadband Business Planning Task Force
07/17/2017	REP 47-18 City Fiber Optic Business Plan Report
08/18/2014	REP 59-17 Broadband Market Analysis Update
	REP 76-14 Broadband Planning Study

Suggested Council Action

Report is for informational purposes.