

SOUTH WEBER CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of SOUTH WEBER CITY, Utah, will meet in a public work meeting commencing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 in the Council Chambers at 1600 E. South Weber Dr.

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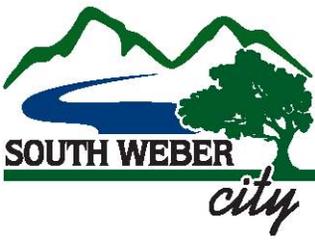
1. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Sjoblom
2. Prayer: Councilwoman Alberts
3. Fiber Network Options
4. Adjourn

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DATE: 9-14-21

CITY RECORDER: Lisa Smith



Agenda Item Introduction

Council Meeting Date: September 21, 2021

Name: David Larson/Municipal Utilities Committee

Agenda Item: Fiber to the Premises (FTTP) - A Work Session Discussion

Background: South Weber City has researched options related to potential additional options for high speed broadband for the community. A Request for Information (RFI) for Fiber to the Premises (FTTP) was published in June. Six companies responded to the city’s request, including: Comcast, Connex, EntryPoint, STRATA Networks, Syringa, and UTOPIA.

On August 6, the Municipal Utilities Committee members met to discuss the information and begin preparations for a full Council discussion. The information provided herein is a collaborative effort of the committee.

A general summary of the responses is provided in the table below. Additional information will be provided in a presentation during the meeting (blanks indicate no information provided):

Name	Ownership	Resident Monthly Cost	Resident Speed	Schedule	City Obligation	Project Cost
Comcast	Company		Up to 100 Gbps		No	
Connex	City or Company	\$35-\$65	100Mbps-1Gbps	2 years	Maybe	
EntryPoint	City	\$27-\$55	Up to 1 Gbps	2 years	Yes	\$6.6M
STRATA	City or Company	\$65-\$75	250Mbps-1Gbps	3 years	Maybe	
Syringa	City	\$60.95-\$155.95	100Mbps-10Gbps	1 year	Yes	\$45M
UTOPIA	Company* (Intergovernmental entity)	\$65-\$200	250Mbps-10Gbps	2 years	Yes* (Unless 34.4% take rate)	\$6.4M

Executive Overview:

Varied options are available to the community depending on what core philosophy the City supports. Multiple companies can provide the service and in various models as well. The committee found it difficult to even entertain recommending a single company when larger questions shape which company and even which options within various companies can meet the need of providing FTTP.

The City Council has a philosophical decision in front of it before a determination of which company can best provide FTTP.

City Council Philosophical Decision:

The first decision in front of the Council is whether the City should facilitate FTTP to all members of the community. If yes, then how to provide FTTP to the community needs to be addressed. If the answer is no, then the discussion stops, and the community would be in the hands of private business to provide the service within the community to whomever and however they choose.

If the Council feels the City should be involved in providing FTTP, then the delivery model choice is should the service be funded with a subscriber model or as a utility model? Essentially, in a subscriber model those who want the service pay for the service. In a utility model, everyone pays for the service regardless of use. The City's financial obligation size and type (i.e. City issued bond or City "backstopped" bond) changes depending on which model is selected. These decisions would ultimately move the Council down a decision path to which company(s) can provide the desired model.

Discussion:

There are myriad angles and facets to this discussion. The committee feels that the questions above can provide a roadmap for discussion that can help the Council determine how to move forward.

Summary: Discuss the City's philosophy regarding providing high speed broadband, the responses received from the Fiber RFI, and next steps.