

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS
FOR CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM
IN THE CITY OF URBANA

WHEREAS, a cable television system possesses the potential to provide the residents of the City of Urbana with a wide variety of beneficial and desired services, and;

WHEREAS, a number of entities have expressed interest in constructing and operating a cable television system in the City of Urbana, and;

WHEREAS, any such system must use the public streets, alleys, and rights of way of the City of Urbana in order to distribute its service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, that the City Council will accept proposals from interested parties for the construction and operation of a cable television system for Champaign and Urbana.

Ten copies of said proposals shall be submitted to the Chairman of the joint CATV Committee no later than 5:00 P.M., CST, October 15, 1972.

Said proposals shall include detailed statements pertaining to, but not limited to, the following:

1. The services which the applicant proposes to provide to the City of Urbana.
2. The character, operational experience, financial qualifications, ownership composition and structure, and technical capabilities of the applicant.
3. The schedule of rates and charges proposed by the applicant.
4. The anticipated date for commencing construction of the cable television system, the anticipated date for completing construction of the cable television system, and the anticipated date for commencing the services to be provided by the cable television system.

- 5. The proposed system design and the construction standards to be adhered to.
- 6. The principals and beneficiaries of the applicant.
- 7. The sources of funding through which the applicant plans to finance construction of its cable television system.
- 8. The estimated cost of constructing and maintaining the system, along with projected subscriber growth and revenue.

In considering applications for a franchise, the City Council shall investigate and consider all statements contained in an applicant's proposal including, but not limited to, statements pertaining to those areas listed above. The City Council shall also investigate and consider any other fact which would materially affect the ability of the applicant to adequately, expeditiously, and satisfactorily provide cable television services of the highest and most desirable quality to the City of Urbana. The City of Urbana recognizes that the rates charged customers for cable television are directly related to the services provided and the cost of development of the system; therefore, the grant of a franchise will not be based solely upon the rates proposed.

The City reserves the right to freely decide the nature of the operation and ownership of a cable television system in the City of Urbana. This resolution is in no sense to be interpreted as precluding public, quasi public, public-private, not-for-profit or cooperative ownership, nor any combination thereof. The City further reserves the right to control the grant of any franchise with such limitations and conditions as it deems necessary and beneficial in the public interest.

The City disclaims any connotation of final or binding commitment by this resolution.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Urbana, Illinois, this 17th day of August, A.D., 1972.



Duane Eckerty

 Duane Eckerty, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor of Urbana, Illinois, this 9th
day of August, A.D., 1972.

Charles M. Zipprodt
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