

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHAMPAIGN-URBANA JOINT CABLE AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION REGARDING FRANCHISE TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, the Federal Cable Act provides that municipalities have one hundred twenty (120) days to evaluate proposed cable transfers; and

WHEREAS, the franchise agreement with Time Warner Cable provides for a written application, a minimum of sixty (60) days before any proposed transfer; and

WHEREAS, the cable franchise agreement further provides that Time Warner will reimburse the Cities for the cost of evaluating such a transfer; and

WHEREAS, the Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable and Telecommunications Commission has made a recommendation to the City Councils of both Champaign and Urbana, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized to jointly issue a request for proposal (RFP) with the City of Champaign to hire a consultant to monitor the transfer of the cable franchise agreement and make recommendations to the Cities with respect thereto.

Section 2. That the Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable and Telecommunications Commission is hereby authorized and directed to provide information to and cooperate with the consultant retained by the Cities, to evaluate the results of the consultant's work, and to make a recommendation to the City Councils of Urbana and Champaign with respect to the proposed franchise transfer and any conditions relevant thereto.

Section 3. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Time Warner Cable, 303 East Fairlawn, Urbana, Illinois 61801; Dr. John Peterson, Chair, Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable and Telecommunications Commission, 702 Pennsylvania Avenue, Urbana, Illinois 61801; Steve Holz, Assistant City Attorney, City of Urbana, 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, Illinois 61801; Teri Legner, Assistant to the City Manager, City of Champaign, 102 North Neil Street, Champaign, Illinois 61820; and Fred Stavins, City Attorney, City of Champaign, 102 North Neil Street, Champaign, Illinois 61820.

PASSED by the Urbana City Council this 5th day of January, 1998.

 Phyllis D. Clark
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

Tod Satterthwaite
Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor