



## City Council

### Approval to Grant Utility Easements Over City-Owned Property to Astound Broadband, LLC

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#### **Title**

Approval to Grant Utility Easements Over City-Owned Property to Astound Broadband, LLC

#### **Recommended Action**

##### **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee

##### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to approve granting utility easements at the Maintenance Center and a Triangle-Shaped Parcel at the Southwest Corner of Interstate 5 and Eastside Street SE to Astound Broadband, LLC, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary easement documents.

#### **Report**

##### **Issue:**

Whether to grant utility easements over Maintenance Center property and a nearby triangle shaped parcel at the southwest corner of Interstate 5 and Eastside Street SE to Astound Broadband, LLC.

##### **Staff Contact:**

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##### **Presenter(s):**

None - Consent Calendar Item.

#### **Background and Analysis:**

Astound Broadband plans to expand their fiber optic service area. In order to do this, they need to install an underground conduit along Eastside Street and along the south side of Interstate 5. The depth of the Eastside Street bridge abutments prevents them from installing the conduit within the City right-of-way. The utility easements allow the conduit to be placed on the City Maintenance Center property, avoiding the bridge abutments.

Astound Broadband has requested an easement as described in the Utility Easement documents Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B.

#### **Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

None

**Options:**

1. Approve the granting of a utility easement to Astound Broadband, LLC, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary easement documents.
  - a. Will allow Astound Broadband, LLC to move forward as planned with their project.
  - b. City receives revenue for the easement.
  - c. Will avoid potential damage to bridge abutments.
  
2. Do not approve the granting of easements.
  - a. Will require Astound Broadband to develop a new plan, or stop the project.
  - b. Could affect Astound Broadband's ability to provide service.

**Financial Impact:**

If approved, the City will receive a one-time fee from Astound Broadband, LLC in the amount of \$11,179.

**Attachments:**

Easement Documents with Exhibits

Vicinity Map