

**City Council** 

# Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to the Municipal Services Contract with Thurston Community Television to Extend Services for 90 Days

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### Title

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## Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

## City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the Resolution approving an amendment to the Municipal Services Contract Between the City of Olympia and Thurston Community Television to extend services for 90 days.

## Report

#### Issue:

Whether to approve the Resolution approving an amendment to the Municipal Services Contract Between the City of Olympia and Thurston Community Television to extend services for 90 days.

#### Staff Contact:

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

None. Consent Calendar Item

#### Background and Analysis:

Thurston Community Television (TCTV), also known as TCMedia, has served as the City of Olympia's Designated Service Provider since 1986. TCMedia is contracted to provide the City's public, educational, and governmental (PEG) access services. Under the contract the City provides the organization an amount of funds for operations and an amount of funds designated for equipment or other capital items. The current agreement expires on December 31, 2022.

This fall, the cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater, with Thurston County collaboratively solicited,

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through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, for proposals for a Designated Service Provider for Public, Education, and Government (PEG) television production and programming services for each respective jurisdiction. The RFP also emphasized that the jurisdictions were "interested in innovative and sustainable ways to provide production, programming, and other PEG services to their communities." The joint RFP was issued in mid-September and closed in mid-October.

Given the recent closure of the RFP process and the upcoming expiration of the current contract for services, the City seeks to amend the current agreement to extend the term of the Municipal Services Contract until March 31, 2023. The City will use the extension period to transition to a new agreement following the RFP process.

## Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The Olympia community is highly engaged and interested in the workings of local government, and the regular public broadcast of City Council meetings is an integral part of ensuring transparency to the public.

## **Options:**

- 1. Approve the resolution approving an amendment to the Municipal Services Contract Between the City of Olympia and Thurston Community Television to extend services for 90 days.
- 2. Modify the amendment to the Municipal Services Contract. This may delay the completion of the contract and result in a gap in services.
- 3. Do not approve the resolution approving an amendment to the Municipal Services Contract Between the City of Olympia and Thurston Community Television. This will result in no contract for services after December 31, 2022.

## Financial Impact:

City will reimburse TCMedia for services performed under this contract in an amount not to exceed \$243,605 as follows: An amount not to exceed \$213,305 for operations: and an amount not to exceed \$30,300 for purchase, lease, repair, and maintenance of equipment or other capital items.

#### Attachments:

Resolution Agreement