

**CITY OF LACONIA**

In the Year of Our Lord two thousand and nineteen

**A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY RELATIVE TO THE COMCAST PROPOSAL FOR A COMPETITIVE CABLE TV FRANCHISE IN LACONIA**

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia as follows:

WHEREAS, the Laconia City Code, Chapter 125, requires the Council to adopt the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Basic Service and Equipment Rate Regulations Promulgated Pursuant to the Cable Act of 1992; and

WHEREAS, (a) the City received a proposal to provide competitive cable TV services in Laconia, from Comcast of Maine/ New Hampshire, Inc., (b) having retained the firm of Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC, as special counsel to assist the City in negotiations thereon with Comcast, and (c) having reviewed the revised proposal and considered;

- I. The financial ability of Comcast of Maine/ NH, Inc., the franchise applicant, to perform;
- II. The ability of the applicant to provide adequate and technically sound facilities, equipment and signal quality;
- III. Adequate channel capacity and appropriate facilities for public, educational, or governmental use, taking into account available technology, subscriber interest, and cost;
- IV. The prohibition of discrimination among customers of basic service;
- V. Reasonable service quality in terms of available technology, subscriber interest, and cost;
- VI. Construction and installation which conforms to all applicable state and federal laws and regulations and the National Electrical Safety Code;
- VII. A competent staff able to provide prompt, adequate service and to respond comprehensively to customer complaints or problems and,
- VIII. Reasonable rules and policies for line extensions and disconnects, customer deposits, and billing practices

NOW THEREFORE, the City Manager is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City, to sign any and all documents regarding the Comcast proposal for competitive cable TV franchise in Laconia.

This Resolution shall take effect after two readings and upon its passage.

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Edward Engler, Mayor

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 2019

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Cheryl Hebert, City Clerk