

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
MEETING MINUTES
CABLE FRANCHISE AND HEARING BOARD

Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Time: 5:35 p.m.

Location: ZOOM MEETING ELECTRONICALLY

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian White

Michael V. Marcotte

Sebastian Noel

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Jane Yee, Assistant City Attorney, Legal Department

Joseph L. Lynch, PEG Access Coordinator, Cultural Services Department

Hakim Bellamy, Deputy Director, Cultural Services Department

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:35 p.m. with two board members present.

ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Members Brian White and Michael V. Marcotte approved the minutes from December 22, 2020 meeting with a vote of 2-0.

ITEM 2: UPDATES AND DISCUSSION.

(a) STATUS OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMCAST REGARDING FEE INCREASES

Board President Brian White was to reach out to Comcast to try to set up a meeting to discuss the matter of Regional Sports Franchise Fees as well as the 2021 price increases. Comcast has increased the prices for many services and would like an explanation for the increases.

(b) SCOPE AND CONTENT OF MONTHLY REPORTS FOR PEG CHANNELS AND CONTRACTORS

The Board would like a monthly report with a breakdown of what is being aired on the PEG Channels.

- 1) Hours of programming
- 2) Programming Schedule
- 3) Short description of the programs
- 4) Who was involved in the productions

(c) ANNUAL REPORTS AND QUARTERLY COMPLAINTS

City Attorney Jane Yee will work to compile Annual Reports and Quarterly Complaints from Comcast.

(d) CHANGE IN APPEAL LANGUAGE IN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ORDINANCE

Board requests change in the language of ordinance to reflect when City makes final decision on Appeals by Producers regarding content. To reflect decency standards.

ITEM 3: ACTION ITEMS.

- (a) There were no items board voted on.

ITEM 4: VOTE 3-0 TO HAVE REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 23, 2020.

ITEM 5: AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

These items should be placed on agenda for discussion:

- (a) Recruitment of another member for the Board.
- (b) Status of Policies and Procedures as well as PEG Channels Oversight from City Attorney Jane Yee,
- (c) Further discussion about reports from PEG Channels and who the letter should originate from.
- (d) Report on recruitment to add Board Member(s).

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Member, Brian White Date

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Member, Michael V. Marcotte Date

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Member, Sebastian Noel Date

