

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
JUNE 6, 2017 AGENDA**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Action Required:</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>An ordinance to set the conditions for a Master Lease for the placement of small wireless facilities in the City rights-of-way</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>City Attorney's Office</p>	<p>√ <b>Ordinance</b> Resolution Approval Information Report</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>

<b>SYNOPSIS</b>	The framework for a Master Lease Agreement for Telecommunications providers who wish to place small wireless facilities within the City rights-of-way.
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	There are modest fees the City will collect that it is not currently able to collect. However, the availability of this technology will be a major benefit to the City and the citizens and businesses located within its boundaries.
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	Approval of the ordinance
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>Technological advances for telecommunications and data continue to abound. One of the newest is the ability of companies to place very small antennae (small wireless facilities) throughout the City. This allows, among other things, the amplification of data and communications especially during peak times or in extraordinary situations.</p> <p>The City has been approached by at least four companies eager to install this technology within the City. These companies are AT&amp;T, Mobilite, Verizon, and Crown Castle. Through review of current Federal and State Statutes, regulations, and recent administrative actions by the Federal Communications Commission, the parties have been able to work out what terms should be in a Master Lease.</p>

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This ordinance sets out those terms. As a result, a new company will be able to come to town, administratively be granted a lease and franchise, and begin installation of facilities. If the company already as a franchise to provide fiber to customers, then they will only need this additional permit. If not, then the company will be required to provide four dark fiber pair (eight (8) strands) to the City for its non-commercial use.

This draft is the most recent as of May 26, 2017. The parties will continue in communications and some modification may be necessary.