

Legislation Text

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Ordinance to Approve the Franchise Agreement Between the City of Greensboro and Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC. FIRST APPROVAL

Department: Information Technology Council District: 1

Public Hearing: No Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

To give the first approval of the renewal of the franchise agreement between the City of Greensboro and Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC.

BACKGROUND:

North Carolina General Statute §160A-76 requires that all franchise grants, renewals, extensions, or amendments be made by ordinance and also requires that all such ordinances be passed at two regular meetings of the City Council.

The City of Greensboro and Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC. have entered into a franchise agreement which will receive its first approval by ordinance at the December 19th, 2017 City Council meeting. This is the first of two regular meetings of the City Council at which the franchise agreement may be approved.

The franchise agreement begins on the second City Council approval in 2018 for a term of ten (10) years with an option for Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC. to renew for an additional five (5) year period by notifying the City in writing.

Information Technology has approved of this fiber optic placement.

BUDGET IMPACT:

There is not City budget impact.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council give the first approval of the franchise agreement between Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC and the City of Greensboro.