



Legislation Text

File #: 21-793, **Version:** 1

ITEM TITLE:

Consider an Ordinance creating sections 10-21-2101 through 10-21-2154, Article 10-21, Chapter 10, Lawton Cable Franchise Ordinance 2022, Lawton City Code, 2015, by creating the article, creating regulations for granting new cable franchises, creating regulations for cable franchise grantee's operation and maintenance, and providing for severability and establishing an effective date.

INITIATOR: Michael Cleghorn, City Manager

STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE: Richard Rogalski, Deputy City Manager, Janet Smith, Director of Community Services / City Planning, Gregory Gibson, Assistant City Attorney

BACKGROUND:

The current Lawton Cable Franchise Ordinance, Article 10-11 of the Lawton City Code, was adopted on August 26, 2014, replacing a previous version that was adopted on December 7, 1999. The August 26, 2014 Ordinance only reflects the Franchise Agreement with Fidelity Cable. The purpose of this new Ordinance, Lawton Cable Franchise 2022, is to update the City's Cable Franchise code. This 2022 Ordinance does not repeal the 2014 Lawton Cable Franchise Ordinance (Chapter 10 Finance, Article 10-11), but all grants and acceptance of a Cable Franchise after the effective date of this Ordinance will proceed under, and be governed by the new Lawton Cable Ordinance 2022.

EXHIBIT:

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KEY ISSUES: Should the City's Cable Franchise regulations be updated and reflect the non-exclusive nature of cable franchises granted by the City through a new Cable Franchise Ordinance?

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2022 - _____, waive the reading of the ordinance, read the title only.