

TO:	Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM:	Dale Harwell, Director of Information Services
SUBJECT:	Approval of Resolution to Authorize Extension of Dark Fiber Network to University Park Public Library

BACKGROUND:

On April 16th, the City Council approved a license agreement with Unite Private Networks, LLC (UPN) to install a fiber-optic network for the Highland Park ISD (HPISD) within the City's rights-of-way. Subsequently, the City Council passed Resolution 19-002 on May 7th and approved the inter-local agreement with HPISD to participate in the cost of the fiber-optic network in the amount of \$100,000.00. There were two desired outcomes that prompted these actions:

- Improve school safety by providing campus security camera access to first responders during emergencies
- Reduce the distance of a planned fiber-optic network connection to the Library

On October 30th, the District approved a letter of authorization that would authorize the City to connect to their new fiber-optic network. The result of this authorization is that the City is only required to extend the network northward to the Library from the Smith Park area to connect the Library to City Hall. UPN Service Order 19-19887 indicates that this extension will be provided to the City as a 10 year lease with a non-recurring charge of \$70,000.00 plus an annual maintenance fee of \$1,800.00. The non-recurring and first year maintenance costs were included in the FY20 Capital Improvements Plan that was approved by the Capital Projects Review Committee and City Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution to authorize the extension of the dark fiber network to University Park Public Library.

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