

**CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
MEETING MINUTES
CABLE FRANCHISE AND HEARING BOARD**

Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2020
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: City Council Government Center
City Council Committee Room, Room 9081

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael V. Marcotte
Brian White

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Jane Yee, Assistant City Attorney, Legal Department
Joseph Lynch, Cultural Services Department

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. with two members present.

ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Members Michael V. Marcotte and Brian White approved the minutes of the January 28, 2020 meeting by a vote of 2-0.

ITEM 2: UPDATES AND DISCUSSION.

(a) Resignation of Member Nancy Montaña.

Jane Yee announced Member Nancy Montaña resigned effective February 19, 2020.

(b) PowerPoint Presentation: Improvement of Local News on Cable Channels.

Member Michael Marcotte presented a talk, entitled, "Our Precarious Local News, As Change Disrupts Media, How Do We Meet our Information Needs?" Member Marcotte's talk was accompanied by a PowerPoint slide show and followed by a discussion. The PowerPoint presentation is attached to these minutes as Exhibit A.

(c) Historical Review.

Jane Yee explained Council has not appropriated funds for education access and reviewed that legislative history.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT.

Willard Hunter provided public comment in the discussion segment of Member Marcotte's presentation on local news programming.

ITEM 4: ACTION ITEMS.

- (a)** The Board deferred action on a possible resolution to recommend revisions of the Cable Board ordinance.
- (b)** The Board deferred action on a possible resolution to recommend expansion of the Cable Board's advisory authority.

ITEM 5: AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

The Board will place the following items on the agenda for the next meeting:

- (a) Resolution on possible revisions of the Cable Board Ordinance and its Procedures to reflect the new Comcast franchise and Cable Board's advisory functions; and
- (b) Resolution on expansion of the scope of the Board's authority to address internet issues on behalf of consumers.

/s/ Brian White
Member, Brian White

April 28, 2020
Date

/s/ Michael V. Marcotte
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