CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
MEETING MINUTES
CABLE FRANCHISE AND HEARING BOARD

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2018
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: City Council Government Center
City Council Committee Room, Room 9081

Board Members Present:
Brian White, Chair
Sandy Barnhart y Chavez
Giovanni Alexander Haqani

Staff:
Mrs. Jane Yee, Assistant City Attorney
Ms. Danyel Mayer, Paralegal

Other Attendees:
Rick Metz, UPublic
Steve Davis, ProView Networks, LLC
Paul Levy
Simon Polakowski
Lara Dale

CALL TO ORDER:
The meeting was called to order by Chair White at approximately 5:30 p.m. with three members present.

ITEM 1: INTRODUCTION OF NEW CABLE BOARD MEMBER
Chair White introduced newest Cable Franchise and Hearing Board member Giovanni Alexander Haqani. Member Haqani introduced himself to the meeting attendees.

ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2018 MEETING
A motion was made by Member Barnhart y Chavez to approve the February 20, 2018 Cable Franchise and Hearing Board’s Meeting Minutes, as amended under Item 3 (frequency of meetings should read “bi-monthly” and not “semi-monthly”), and the motion was seconded by Member Haqani. The motion was carried by a vote of 3-0, and so, the minutes were approved.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT
Public comment was received from Steve Davis of ProView Networks, LLC, Paul Levy, Simon Polakowski, and Lara Dale.
ITEM 4: FREQUENCY OF AND SCHEDULE FOR CABLE BOARD MEETINGS
Chair White moved to change the cable board meeting frequency from bi-monthly to monthly beginning April 2018, and only until Council has approved the Comcast franchise renewal ordinance and Comcast has signed the acceptance, and then the cable board would resume its bi-monthly meeting schedule. The motion was seconded by Member Barnhart y Chavez, and so it was approved by a vote of 3-0.

Member Barnhart y Chavez moved to reschedule the April 10, 2018 cable board meeting to April 24, 2018. Member Haqani seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-0. After further discussion about the timing of the April 24, 2018 meeting and the intervals between meetings, Member Barnhart y Chavez moved to amend the schedule for the April meeting to occur on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, and the added monthly meetings to occur the second Tuesday of each month until the Comcast franchise ordinance is approved by Council. Member Haqani seconded the motion, and so it was approved by a vote of 3-0.

ITEM 5: COMCAST RENEWAL
Jane Yee, Assistant City Attorney, explained the Comcast Franchise Authority extension is set to expire on April 1, 2018, and Comcast has agreed to a second six-month extension; and the City Council will vote on the extension, contained in Council Bill O-18-13, at its April 2, 2018 meeting.

Member Barnhart y Chavez moved to authorize Ms. Yee to convey to the Negotiating Team that the board recommends adopting the Comcast Franchise Authority ordinance as drafted in its entirety, and the board strongly recommends that the consumer bill of rights be the number one priority during negotiations to renew the franchise. The motion was seconded by Member Haqani, and so it was approved by a vote of 3-0.

Chair White moved to have Ms. Yee prepare a resolution with the board’s other concerns and bring it to the next board meeting for the members to review. Members Barnhart y Chavez and Haqani seconded the motion, and so it passed by a vote of 3-0.

ITEM 6: UPDATE ON PUBLIC ACCESS RFP
The Request for Proposals for public access was issued by the City the day before this meeting, and a copy was not yet available to the board members to review. Chair White moved to table discussion on the RFP until the next meeting so that everyone could have a chance to review the proposal. Members Barnhart y Chavez and Haqani seconded the motion, and so it passed by a vote of 3-0.

ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 p.m.

Date: 4/17/2018
/s/ Brian White
Brian White, Chair